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CONSIDERATIONS FOR A DRAFT DECISION

EB126(X) Pandemic influenza preparedness: sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits

The Executive Board, recalling resolutions WHA 60.28 and WHA 62.10 and having considered the report by the Secretariat on Pandemic influenza preparedness: sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits: Outcome of the process to finalize remaining elements under the pandemic influenza preparedness framework for the sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits (EB126/4), recommends that the 63rd World Health Assembly establish an open-ended Working Group of Member States and regional economic integration organizations to carry forward the intergovernmental process. The Working Group should report to the 63rd World Health Assembly and should work on the basis of the report on the Outcome of the resumed Intergovernmental Meeting (A62/5 Add.1). The Executive Board requests the Director-General, should the Health Assembly establish the Working Group, to facilitate its work and to provide it with relevant documentation for reference, including the Director-General's Proposals to finalize remaining elements of the "Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Framework for sharing influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits" (HSE/GIP/PIP/2009.1).

The Executive Board encourages Member States¹ to consult among themselves in preparation for the meeting of the Working Group. To assist Member States' consultations, the Executive Board requests the Director-General to convene a briefing for Permanent Missions to clarify any outstanding questions Member States may have.

¹ Where applicable, also regional economic integration organizations