

Summary of the PCB Bureau meeting of 24 July 2007

Present: Prangtip Kanchanahattakij (Thailand), David Hohman (USA), Mamadou Seck (Senegal), Mr Amadou Dame Sall (Senegal), Mr Amadou Ndiaye (Senegal), Paul Spiegel (UNHCR, representing Cosponsors), Zonnibel Woods (IWHC, representing PCB NGOs)

UNAIDS Secretariat: As Sy (Director, PER), Helen Frary (Chief, PER/BUR), Jacek Tyszko (External Relations Officer, PER/BUR)

Meeting's agenda:

1. Dates and venue for the 21st PCB meeting
2. Potential issues for the agenda of the 21st PCB meeting
3. Other Business

1. Dates and venue for the 21st PCB meeting

1.1 Taking into account the number of issues to be considered by the 21st PCB meeting (see point 2) the Bureau decided that its duration should be planned for 1,5 – 2 days. After an analysis of dates and the availability of conference services in Geneva, it was also agreed that the meeting would be held in CICG, Geneva, on 17-18 December 2007. The Secretariat was requested to inform the PCB constituencies accordingly.

2. Potential issues for the agenda of the 21st PCB meeting

2.1 The Bureau received the following list of issues to be considered in the context of the agenda for the upcoming 21st PCB meeting:

- The formulation of process, mechanism and terms of reference for an independent evaluation of UNAIDS (20th PCB decisions 5.1 and 17.1)
- Issues related to future PCB meetings
 - Dates and themes of next PCB meeting. (20th PCB decision 17.2)
 - Venues -analysis of holding a meeting in or outside Geneva (20th PCB decision 10e)
 - Format and potential resource needs of the thematic segment (20th PCB decision 10b)
- Draft Memorandum of Understanding between UNAIDS and the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (20th PCB decision 14.1)
- Programme Performance Monitoring Framework (20th PCB decision 7.6)

2.2 It was agreed that all these issues should be included in the provisional agenda for the 21st PCB, with the independent evaluation item as the main one (a concept and timeline will be presented by the Secretariat at the next Bureau meeting) and the performance monitoring framework as an information item. The Secretariat is requested to prepare a timeline for the work in relation to the evaluation of UNAIDS.

2.3 The Bureau expressed an expectation that with such an agenda there would not be a need for the drafting group to be convened during the PCB meeting in question. It was also decided that there would not be additional thematic issues on the agenda for the meeting. In this context the Bureau will hold a discussion on suggested themes for the 22nd and 23rd PCBs at its next meeting. All Bureau members were requested to send their proposals in advance to the Secretariat for consolidation.

2.4 Regarding the GTT follow-up process, the Secretariat was requested to prepare options for the Reference Group membership and a timeline for its work (including a timeline for each GTT recommendation as the Bureau recognized that not all have explicit implementation dates). The issue will be discussed at the next Bureau meeting.

2.5 In the context of the revised Memorandum of Understanding between UNAIDS and the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, it was agreed that the Bureau would receive the draft at its meeting in September. The Global Fund Board is expected to approve the draft during its meeting in November.

2.6 Finally, the Bureau requested that the dates of PCB meetings in 2008 would be included in the agenda of the 21st meeting as a separate item. A proposal covering dates and venues availability will be prepared by the Secretariat for the Bureau's consideration at its next meeting.

3. Other Business

3.1 The Bureau decided to discuss its workplan during the next meeting.

3.2 In follow up to the 20th PCB meeting, the Secretariat was requested to provide the Bureau with the matrix on follow-up to its decisions.

Next meetings: 23 August 2007 and 24 September 2007