

28 October 2015

**37th Meeting of the UNAIDS Programme Coordinating Board
Geneva, Switzerland**

26-28 October 2015

Decisions

The UNAIDS Programme Coordinating Board,

Recalling that all aspects of UNAIDS work are directed by the following guiding principles:

- Aligned to national stakeholders' priorities;
- Based on the meaningful and measurable involvement of civil society, especially people living with HIV and populations most at risk of HIV infection;
- Based on human rights and gender equality;
- Based on the best available scientific evidence and technical knowledge;
- Promoting comprehensive responses to AIDS that integrate prevention, treatment, care and support; and
- Based on the principle of non-discrimination;

Agenda item 1.1: Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda

1. *Adopts* the agenda;

Agenda item 1.2: Consideration of the report of the thirty-sixth meeting

2. *Adopts* the report of the 36th meeting of the UNAIDS Programme Coordinating Board;

Agenda item 1.3: Report of the Executive Director

3. *Takes note* of the report of the Executive Director;

Agenda item 2: Update on the AIDS response in the post-2015 development agenda

- 4.1 *Encourages* member states to advocate for the global indicator framework on the Sustainable Development Goals to accurately monitor progress on the AIDS response in all countries and for all populations;
- 4.2 *Further encourages* member states to advocate for key approaches of the AIDS response, including leaving no one behind and the inclusion and meaningful participation of communities most affected, to be reflected in the global framework for follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda to be elaborated by the High-level Political Forum;

- 4.3 *Recognizes* that implementing the 2030 Agenda and the UNAIDS 2016-2021 Strategy will demand, and be determined by, action across a range of relevant Sustainable Development Goals and by building strong and resilient systems for health;
- 4.4 *Requests* the Joint Programme, in light of the above decision point 4.3, to continue to share its experience in the AIDS response in developing innovative and multisectoral approaches to address the complex development challenges and to strengthen the new Global Partnership for Sustainable Development and adapt, in order to contribute to results across the 2030 Agenda;
- 4.5 *Requests* the Joint Programme to strongly advocate for a people-centred, public health approach and respect for human rights, including an accountability mechanism, in the current drug control system and that this is clearly reflected in the Outcome Document of the UN General Assembly Special Session (UNGASS) on the World Drug Problem in April 2016;
- 4.6 *Requests* the Joint Programme, in light of the integration of AIDS into the Sustainable Development Goals and decision points 6.1 - 6.3 of the 35th Meeting of the PCB, to strongly advocate for inclusion in the political declaration resulting from the High Level Meeting on HIV/AIDS in 2016, of a commitment to address the social and economic drivers of HIV in order to realize the goal of ending the AIDS epidemic, and to connect HIV with the eradication of extreme poverty, ending hunger and inequality, and the promotion of human rights, dignity for all, education and social protection, including the right to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of health, and implementation of universal health coverage;

Agenda item 3: UNAIDS Strategy 2016-2021

- 5.1 *Adopts* the UNAIDS Strategy 2016-2021¹;
- 5.2 *Encourages* the Joint Programme to use existing regional platforms to reinforce political will and accelerate the implementation of the UNAIDS Strategy 2016-2021;

Agenda item 4: UNAIDS Unified Budget, Results and Accountability Framework (UBRAF) 2016-2021

- 6.1 *Approves* the 2016-2021 Unified Budget, Results and Accountability Framework, taking into account the views expressed by the Board, *recalls* decision point 7.2 of the 36th meeting of the Programme Coordinating Board and *looks forward* to the presentation of a revised Results and Accountability Framework for approval at the 38th meeting of the Programme Coordinating Board;
- 6.2 *Approves* US\$ 485 million as the core budget for 2016-2017 and the budget allocations of the Cosponsors and the Secretariat and *looks forward* to a clear link between results and resources as set out in the final, prioritized and more detailed Results and Accountability Framework to be presented at the 38th meeting of the

¹ The Islamic Republic of Iran disassociated itself from some parts of the UNAIDS Strategy 2016-2021 and reaffirmed that in the implementation of the Strategy full consideration and respect should be given to cultural, moral and religious values, national sovereignty, and legal and social systems of the countries concerned.

Programme Coordinating Board, taking into account the views expressed by the Board at its 37th meeting;

- 6.3 *Requests* UNAIDS to report back annually to the Programme Coordinating Board on the implementation of the 2016-2021 Unified Budget, Results and Accountability Framework demonstrating clearly the link between resources and results, cost and value consciousness, and accountability;
- 6.4 *Urges* all constituencies to use the UNAIDS 2016-2021 Results and Accountability Framework to meet their reporting needs;
- 6.5 *Notes* the value of the multi-stakeholder engagement in the formulation of the 2016-2021 Unified Budget, Results and Accountability Framework and the further refinement of the Results and Accountability Framework;
- 6.6 *Requests* that the UBRAF lay out in detail an explanation of how resources are allocated between Cosponsors and countries;
- 6.7 *Looks forward* to a second Financing Dialogue, aimed at ensuring predictable and full funding for the implementation of the 2016-2021 UBRAF, to be held before the 38th meeting of the Programme Coordinating Board;
- 6.8 *Urges* intensification of resource mobilization efforts and full funding of the 2016-2021 UBRAF to fund the Joint Programme, while noting the necessity to ensure that the UNAIDS Secretariat is sufficiently funded to secure its core functions to implement the Fast Track approach and the 2016-2021 Strategy. *Acknowledges* current efforts, and encourages all Cosponsors to continue to strengthen their role in resource mobilization in support of their programmatic contributions to the Joint Programme;
- 6.9 *Underlines* the urgent need for increased investment in a further scale-up of the global HIV/AIDS response in order to reach the fast track targets, and the importance in this regard of adequately resourcing the Joint Programme to enable it to fulfil its leading function in this global effort;

Agenda item 6: HIV in prisons and other closed settings

- 7.1 *Takes note* of the report;
- 7.2 *Requests* the Joint Programme to support member states and civil society in strengthening a human rights and public health approach to prison health and accelerating efforts to increase access to knowledge and evidence based HIV prevention, treatment and care services for people of all ages in prisons and other closed settings, including for women and girls, people living with HIV and other key populations, in line with the UNAIDS Strategy 2016-2021: On the Fast-Track to end AIDS, and in line with the revised United Nations Standard Minimum Rules for the treatment of Prisoners and report on concrete actions taken at a future meeting of the Programme Coordinating Board;
- 7.3 *Encourages* the Joint Programme and relevant partners to address issues related to HIV and health in prisons and other closed settings by building upon the momentum and fully engaging in the 2016 Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly on the World Drug Problem and in the 2016 High Level Meeting on HIV

and AIDS, and by encouraging collaboration between justice, health and other relevant ministries in relation to HIV and health in prisons and closed settings to ensure the highest attainable standard of health for prisoners and people in closed settings;

Agenda item 7: Follow-up to the thematic segment from the 36th Programme Coordinating Board meeting

- 8.1 *Takes note* with appreciation of the summary report of the Programme Coordinating Board Thematic Segment on HIV in emergency contexts;
- 8.2 *Recognizes* the importance of working towards resilient health systems;
- 8.3 *Recognizes* that the specific inclusion of people affected by humanitarian emergencies, including networks of PLHIV, other vulnerable groups and key populations in the planning and provision of the emergency response is critical to achieving the fast track goals in the UNAIDS 2016-2021 Strategy;
- 8.4 *Further recognizes* that women and children are among the most affected people in humanitarian emergencies and that planning should prioritise their specific needs to ensure access to the required HIV related services;
- 8.5 *Encourages* the Joint Programme to:
 - a. *Undertake* initiatives to ensure that appropriate HIV interventions are routinely incorporated in all humanitarian emergency preparedness and response programmes;
 - b. *Assist* country programmes - both those that are directly affected and those that are receiving refugees - to incorporate an appropriate level of preparedness and disaster risk reduction strategies to ensure continuation of comprehensive HIV services during humanitarian emergencies, particularly prevention, care and treatment, food and nutrition and other types of support, including the introduction of innovative approaches to tackle treatment disruption, such as alternative logistics mechanisms and *Health Travel Cards* in contingency planning and response to humanitarian emergencies;
 - c. *Prioritize* actions to address gender based violence against people affected by humanitarian emergencies, including women, young people and other key populations and encourage the Joint Programme to continue to provide technical support to the inter-agency working group (IAWG) on reproductive health in crisis;
 - d. *Promote* cross border and regional collaboration, as well as national and community collaboration, to ensure access to essential HIV prevention, care, treatment and support services for refugees and other displaced populations;
 - e. *Strengthen* strategic HIV-related information, including age and sex disaggregated data, in humanitarian emergencies during the preparedness and response phases to ensure appropriate responses during emergencies according to HIV prevalence, protection and human rights issues;

- f. *Advocate* for increased funding for the HIV response and for resource mobilization for all organizations, including NGOs and community-based organizations, working on HIV in humanitarian emergencies to ensure appropriate comprehensive preparedness and response;

Agenda item 8: Next PCB meetings

- 9.1 *Agrees* that the themes for the 38th and 39th Programme Coordinating Board meetings be:
 - a. *The role of communities in ending AIDS by 2030* (38th);
 - b. *HIV and aging* (39th);
- 9.2 *Requests* the Programme Coordinating Board Bureau to take appropriate and timely steps to ensure that due process is followed in the call for themes for the 40th and 41st Programme Coordinating Board meetings;
- 9.3 *Agrees* the dates for the 42nd (26-28 June 2018) and the 43rd (11-13 December 2018) meetings of the Programme Coordinating Board;

Agenda item 9: Election of Officers

- 10. *Elects* Switzerland as Chair, Ghana as Vice-Chair and Ecuador as Rapporteur, for the period 1 January to 31 December 2016, and approves the composition of the Programme Coordinating Board NGO delegation.

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