

## UNAIDS PCB Bureau

### MEETING SUMMARY

DATE: Tuesday 5 September 2017

### PARTICIPANTS

Ms Laila Heward-Mills (Ghana: Chair); Mr Daniel Graymore (United Kingdom: representing the Vice-Chair); Mr Jeffry Acaba and Mr. Kene Esom (representing the PCB NGO Delegation); Ms Nazneen Damji (UN Women: representing UNAIDS Cosponsors).

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### MEETING AGENDA

#### 1. Preparation for the 41st PCB meeting

*The Bureau will consider possible agenda items for the agenda of the 41st PCB meeting taking into account decisions from the 40th and previous meetings*

#### 2. Preparation for the thematic segment of the 41st PCB meeting

*The Bureau will receive an update on preparations for the thematic segment on zero discrimination in health care settings*

#### 3. Any other business

### SUMMARY

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Ms. Heward-Mills welcomed the PCB Bureau members to the third meeting to prepare the 41st PCB meeting.

After adoption of the agenda, the Secretariat presented the possible agenda items for the 41st Programme Coordinating Board meeting, which will be held in Geneva 12-14 December. The presentation of the proposed agenda items for the 41st Board meeting was based on the enclosed table in annex 1.

#### 1. Preparation for the 41st PCB meeting

The Secretariat explained that the table of possible items for the 41st PCB meeting (in annex1) captured all decision points and specific requests made by the PCB at its previous meetings.

The table formed the basis of the discussion of Bureau members on agenda items for the 41st PCB meeting. The Bureau decided as follows:

### **Standing agenda items**

The Secretariat presented the standing agenda items for the 40th PCB meeting and the Bureau decided as follows:

- **Report of the 40th PCB meeting:** Confirmed for the 41st PCB meeting.
- **EXD report:** Confirmed for the 41st PCB meeting. The report will include an update on key developments since the 40th PCB meeting and follow up to the decisions of the Board and the implementation of the new operating model of the Joint Programme.
- **PCB NGO report:** Confirmed for the 41st PCB meeting. The PCB NGO Delegation informed that the overarching theme of the NGO report would be 10-10-10 (no one left behind) – while the exact title is still to be decided upon.
- **Leadership in the AIDS response:** Confirmed for the 41st PCB meeting. UNAIDS EXD has invited the former President of Switzerland, Ruth Dreifuss, to address the PCB. The intervention will be focused on drug policies, harm reduction and political leadership in this regard.
- **Follow-up to the thematic segment from the 40th PCB meeting on HIV Prevention:** Confirmed for the 41st PCB meeting. The Secretariat confirmed that the summary report is being finalized. It will be sent to the Bureau for clearance ahead of its second meeting. The Bureau would also be considering possible draft decisions emerging from the discussion.
- **Election of Officers:** Confirmed for the 41st PCB meeting. Under this agenda item, the Board is requested to elect the PCB officers for 2018 (Chair, Vice-Chair and Rapporteur) in accordance with the Modus Operandi – and approve possible new members of the PCB NGO delegation. It is important that UNAIDS Board explicitly foresees to elect the current Vice-Chair as Chair for the coming year to ensure continuity in the leadership of the PCB.
- **Next PCB meetings:** Confirmed for the 41st PCB meeting. The paper for this agenda item is prepared by the Secretariat on behalf of the PCB Bureau; it describes the process of selection by the Bureau of themes proposed for the 42<sup>nd</sup> and 43<sup>rd</sup> PCB meetings in 2018 and will request the Board to approve the selected theme. The Secretariat informed the Bureau that a call for submission of themes was sent on 19 July with a deadline to submit proposals on 11 September. A reminder and an extension of deadline will be sent later this week. The paper will also propose dates for the PCB meetings, 46th (June 2020) and 47th (December 2020) to enable reservation of venue well in advance and help other organizations and member states in the forward planning of meetings involving the PCB constituencies.
- **Thematic Segment:** *Zero discrimination in health care settings.* Confirmed for the 41st PCB meeting. (See details in agenda item 2 of this meeting)

### **Possible issues to be considered for the 41st PCB meeting**

The Secretariat presented the decision points of the PCB for possible agenda items at the 41st PCB meeting in December 2017 and the Bureau decided as follows:

- **Update on actions to reduce stigma and discrimination in all its forms:** *Confirmed for the 41st PCB meeting.* The Secretariat recalled that Bureau had already discussed and agreed at its first meeting in 2017 on 13 February that this agenda item would be discussed at the 41st PCB meeting (see notes posted on the PCB website):  
[http://www.unaids.org/en/resources/documents/2017/PCB\\_Bureau\\_13-February-2017](http://www.unaids.org/en/resources/documents/2017/PCB_Bureau_13-February-2017)  
The item would be complementary to the thematic segment on zero discrimination in health care settings.
- **HIV in prisons and other closed settings:** *Confirmed for the 41st PCB meeting.* The Secretariat recalled that the Bureau had already discussed and agreed at its first meeting in 2017 on 13 February that this agenda item would be discussed at the 41st PCB meeting (see notes posted on the PCB website):  
[http://www.unaids.org/en/resources/documents/2017/PCB\\_Bureau\\_13-February-2017](http://www.unaids.org/en/resources/documents/2017/PCB_Bureau_13-February-2017)
- **Synthesis report on IP-related and other factors:** The Secretariat informed that work is ongoing to gather data on intellectual property-related barriers as well as other barriers impacting on availability, affordability, and accessibility of medicines, treatment and diagnostics for HIV and HIV co-infections and co-morbidities in low and middle-income countries. It was proposed that the report if presented to the Board in 2018 could provide a more comprehensive overview of progress in access to HIV/AIDS medicines, and the role of intellectual property and other barriers.

The Bureau agreed that this report would be presented to the Board at one of the PCB meetings in 2018.

- **Follow-up to decisions from Report by the NGO representative of the 39th PCB meeting**  
The Secretariat informed that a small, technical working group has been established to develop a working definition on what is meant by community led- service delivery/community led responses. This definition would be a starting point to conduct an analysis on barriers to effective funding of community-led responses and efforts to overcome the challenges. The postponement of this agenda item to 2018 was proposed and discussed.

The Bureau agreed that this report would be presented to the Board at one of the PCB meetings in 2018.

- **Report on progress in the implementation of the UNAIDS Joint Programme Action Plan** *Confirmed for the 41st PCB meeting.* The Secretariat indicated that the implementation of the Action Plan is ongoing and has advanced significantly on several areas, including the

conceptualization of the country envelopes for cosponsor funding under the core UBRAF – a key component of more country focused and dynamic allocation of UBRAF funds. UN Women also addressed questions from cosponsor perspective and noted that a progress report would be before the Committee of Cosponsoring Organizations at its meeting on 7 November at the level of the Executive Heads. The subsequent report to the PCB will also include a presentation of a joint comprehensive resource mobilization plan.

Following the presentation of the possible agenda items, the Chair requested the Secretariat to prepare the annotated agenda for the 41st PCB meeting, based on the agenda items that were discussed and agreed by the Bureau. The Bureau would approve the agenda for posting on the UNAIDS website.

## **2. Preparation for the thematic segment at the 41st PCB meeting: *Zero discrimination in health care settings***

The Secretariat indicated that a PCB working group composed of PCB Member States, PCB NGOs and Cosponsors was established to prepare the thematic segment. The PCB working group will have three meetings during which the background note, the agenda of the day, the speakers and the format of the meeting are discussed and agreed upon. A call to submit country case studies on the theme will be sent to all countries. A selected number of case studies will inform the Background Note and all will be consolidated in a conference room paper that will be posted online.

The Secretariat presented the proposed tentative timeline as follows:

The Following steps were completed:

- **During the second week of July:** Inputs from UNAIDS Cosponsors on the draft outline of the background note were received.
- **24 July:** Invitation to express interest to be part of the PCB Working Group (WG) was sent to all PCB constituencies with Terms of Reference (ToRs), a timeline and a draft outline of the background note.
- **2 August:** Due to the summer holidays only few members expressed interest to be part of the working group therefore a reminder was sent. We have 10 MS, 8 Cosponsors, 3 PCB NGOs and the GF.
- **29 August:** An invitation was sent for the first meeting of the working to be held on Monday 4 September. The meeting would take place on Monday 11 September.

## Next steps

- **11 September:** First Working Group (WG) meeting (discussion on the draft outline, timeline and preparations for the background note).
- **15 September:** Call for submission of country best practices on successful programmes to respond to the theme
- **By the third week of September:** First draft of Background Note shared with WG (by email)
- **By the last week of September:** Second WG meeting (discussion on the draft Background Note and a first draft of the agenda).
- **By the first week of October:** Deadline for the WG members to send additional written inputs on the draft Background Note.
- **By second week of October:** Secretariat to share the revised draft Background Note with WG members
- **First week of November:** Background Note finalized and cleared – sent for translation
- **By third week of October:** Third meeting of the WG (discussion on draft agenda, format of the day and inputs for suggested speakers).

## 3. Any other business

- The Secretariat informed the Bureau on the upcoming Human Rights Council Social Forum. The theme this year is *promotion and protection of human rights in the context of HIV and other communicable diseases and epidemics*. The Forum takes place 2-4 October 2017 at the Palais des Nations, in Geneva.
- The Social Forum is co-chaired by Belarus and Brazil.
- The UNAIDS Secretariat has been supporting OHCHR (the Secretariat of the Social Forum) and the two co-chairs to ensure the full engagement of UNAIDS cosponsors, other intergovernmental partners and civil society in the preparations for the Forum.
- The Social Forum will be opened by the two co-chairs, a representative of the Human Rights Council and the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Mr. Zeid Ra'ad Al Hussein.
- Key note speakers include UNAIDS Executive Director, Mr. Michel Sidibe, WHO Director General, Dr. Tedros Adhanom (TBC), Ms. Loyce Maturu (young woman living with HIV from Zimbabwe) and Director General of WTO, Mr. Roberto Azevedo.
- The panel discussions during the Forum focus on issues ranging from discrimination; the role of civil society; and access to medicines, vaccines and diagnostics; to building synergies; and to international cooperation.
- Many of the issues discussed at the Social Forum will be relevant for the PCB thematic segment on zero discrimination in health care settings.
- The Forum is also an opportunity to build synergies with actors working on responses to zika, Ebola, cholera, TB, Hepatitis and other epidemics.

[Annex follows]

## Annex: Table of follow-up items from PCB meetings - for possible inclusion in the agenda of the 41st PCB Meeting

Standing items		Agenda items
		Report of the 40th PCB meeting
		Executive Director (EXD) report
		Report by the NGOs representative
		Leadership in the AIDS Response
		Follow up to the thematic segment from the 40th PCB meeting - HIV prevention 2020: a global partnership for delivery
		Election of Officers
		Next PCB meetings
		Thematic Segment: Zero discrimination in health care settings (39th PCB - 9.1b)
Possible items at the 41st PCB		
PCB meeting	Dec. no.	Agenda items
35th (December 2014)	9,2	[Agenda item 7: Update on actions to reduce stigma and discrimination in all its forms] <i>Requests the Joint Programme to support Member States and civil society in accelerating efforts to ensure enabling legal and social environments where everyone, including key populations and other marginalized populations, can access HIV services; and provide a report at a future meeting of the Programme Coordinating Board.</i>
37th (December 2015)	7,2	[Agenda item 6: HIV in prisons and other closed settings] <i>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.</i>
39th (December 2016)	7,3	[Agenda Item 6: Synthesis report on IP-related and other factors] <i>Requests the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS to report to the 41st PCB meeting on progress made in implementing the UNAIDS Strategy 2016-2021 in this regard; [referencing decision point 7.2: "relevant to access to HIV/AIDS medicines, including intellectual property"]</i>
39th (December 2016)	8,3	[Agenda item 7: Report by the NGO representative] <i>Recalling decisions 5.2, 6.2(b) and 6.4 from the 38th Programme Coordinating Board, and the commitments in the 2016 Political Declaration on HIV and AIDS, paragraphs 63 (a)–(e), calls on UNAIDS, to:</i> <i>a. Undertake further analysis of the barriers to effective funding of community-led responses by international and private funders, as well as better understanding of the challenges faced by national governments in allocating funding to community-led responses;</i> <i>b. Continue to work on mobilization of resources and advocacy to ensure sustainable support for community-led key population responses, where needed, including in middle-income countries;</i> <i>c. Adapt existing mechanisms, including in the reporting for the 2016 Political Declaration, as appropriate, to support UN member states to track and share their investment in community-led responses;</i> <i>d. Provide guidance to funders for the development of new frameworks for risk assessments in funding for community-led HIV responses and on good practices for the monitoring and evaluation of funds to grassroots and community-based organizations, and guidance for countries to create or reform national mechanisms to fund comprehensive community responses to HIV;</i> <i>e. Collaborate with partners to identify and scale up mechanisms to increase investment in community-led responses to HIV;</i> <i>f. Report on progress at the 41st PCB;</i>
40th (June 2017)	5,3	[Agenda item 3: Refined operating model of the United Nations Joint Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)] <i>Requests the Executive Director and the CCO to submit to the 41st and 42nd PCB sessions a report on progress of the implementation of the UNAIDS Joint Programme Action Plan for consideration and future guidance;</i>
40th (June 2017)	6.10	[Agenda item 4: Unified Budget, Results and Accountability Framework (UBRAF)] <i>Requests the Executive Director and the CCO to report back on resource mobilization developments at the 41st PCB meeting, presenting a joint comprehensive resource mobilization plan for a fully funded UBRAF.</i>
Possible items for future PCB		
PCB meeting	Dec. no.	Agenda items
40th (June 2017)	6,11	[Agenda item 4: Unified Budget, Results and Accountability Framework (UBRAF)] <i>Requests the Executive Director to present, at the 42nd PCB meeting, a report on feasible ways to monitor the achievement of the financial-related targets of the 2016 Political Declaration.</i>