

## UNAIDS PCB Bureau

### MEETING SUMMARY

DATE: Wednesday 28 February 2018

### PARTICIPANTS

Mr Daniel Graymore, Ms Fiona Lawless, Mr David Atul and Mr Nicolas Alexander (United Kingdom: representing the Chair); Mr Yang Xiaochen (China: representing the Vice-Chair), Mr Samir Rahem (Algeria: representing the Rapporteur), Ms Alessandra Nilo and Ms Sonal Mehta (representing the PCB NGO Delegation); Ms Ann Burton and Mr David Sunderland (UNHCR: representing UNAIDS Cosponsors).

**UNAIDS Secretariat:** Ms Gunilla Carlsson, Deputy Executive Director, Mr Morten Ussing Director, Governance and Multilateral Division, Ms Samia Lounnas, Senior Governance Advisor.

### MEETING AGENDA

#### 1. Preparation for the 42nd PCB meeting

*The Bureau will consider possible agenda items for the agenda of the 42nd PCB meeting taking into account decisions from the 41st and previous PCB meetings*

#### 2. Preparation for the thematic segment of the 42nd PCB meeting

*The Bureau will receive an update on preparations for the thematic segment on Ending tuberculosis and AIDS - a joint response in the era of the Sustainable Development Goals*

#### 3. Any other business

### SUMMARY

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Mr Daniel Graymore welcomed the new PCB Bureau members for 2018; the Vice-Chair of the PCB, the representatives of the PCB NGO Delegation, as well as UNHCR, the 2018 Chair of the Committee of Cosponsoring Organizations.

Mr Graymore highlighted the 3 top priorities of the United Kingdom for 2018 during the UNAIDS PCB chairmanship including:

- Preventing and addressing harassment ;
- moving the HIV prevention agenda ;
- progress in the implementation of the Joint Programme Action Plan.

On behalf of UNAIDS, Ms Carlsson welcomed the new PCB Bureau members and reiterated the full commitment of UNAIDS Secretariat to support the work of the PCB Chair and the Bureau. She confirmed that preventing and addressing harassment are also priorities of UNAIDS.

After adoption of the agenda, the Secretariat presented the possible agenda items for the 42nd Programme Coordinating Board meeting, which will be held in Geneva 26-28 June. The presentation of the proposed agenda items for the 42nd Board meeting was based on the enclosed table in annex .

## **1. Preparation for the 42nd PCB meeting (26-28 June 2018)**

The Secretariat explained that the table of possible items for the 42nd PCB meeting (see annex) captured all decision points and specific requests made by the PCB at previous meetings. The table formed the basis of the discussion of Bureau members on agenda items for the 42nd PCB meeting. The Bureau decided as follows:

### **Standing agenda items**

The Secretariat presented the standing agenda items for the 42nd PCB meeting and the Bureau decided as follows:

- **Report of the 41st PCB meeting:** Confirmed for the 42nd PCB meeting.
- **EXD report:** Confirmed for the 42nd PCB meeting. The report will provide the most important achievements in the global AIDS response over the past six months as well as emphasis on remaining challenges. It is expected that focus would be on UNAIDS within broader UN reform and implementation of the UNAIDS Joint Programme Action Plan and boosting HIV prevention, as well as action against stigma and discrimination, and capitalizing on the H6 Chairmanship. The report will also include the actions undertaken by UNAIDS to prevent and prevent and address harassment.
- **CCO report:** Confirmed for the 42nd PCB meeting.
- **PCB NGO report:** The PCB NGO Delegation informed that they are still consulting on the theme for the report. Possible topic would be “People on the move and migration and HIV” with a focus on how CSOs can improve the work and perspective on this issue.
- **Leadership in the AIDS response:** This item is at the discretion of the Executive Director.
- **Follow-up to the thematic segment from the 41st PCB meeting on Zero discrimination in health care settings** Confirmed for the 42nd PCB meeting.
- **UBRAF:** Confirmed for the 42nd PCB meeting. The Secretariat informed the Bureau that there will be three sub-items under the UBRAF item, including: i) Performance monitoring report 2016-2017; ii) the financial reports 2017 and interim for 2018 iii) the progress report on implementation of the UNAIDS Joint Programme Action Plan. The performance monitoring reports will be presented to the Board, including a summary report of the performance of UNAIDS Cosponsors and Secretariat in 2017, and a more comprehensive report with more details of achievements, challenges and lessons

learned over the two-year period of the 2016-2017 UBRAF. The two financial reports will be presented to the PCB, as per established practice including a financial report and audited financial statements for 2017, a financial management update for 2018. These reports are prepared based on IPSAS, follow a well-established format and include the external and internal auditors' reports. The report on progress in implementing the UNAIDS Joint Programme Action Plan will be presented to the PCB. Areas covered by the report include governance; resource mobilization; country level implementation of the country envelope processes; monitoring and evaluation. Additional information, e.g., on resource mobilization and evaluation, will be provided in the form of conference room papers.

- **Annual update on strategic human resources issues:** *Confirmed for the 42nd PCB meeting.* The Secretariat recalled that this annual update was requested by the Board at its 30th meeting. The first report was presented at the 32nd PCB meeting. The report will highlight the key issues and developments for UNAIDS Secretariat human resources over the past year, including measures put in place to address harassment at the work place.
- **UNAIDS Secretariat Staff Association (USSA) report:** *Confirmed for the 42nd PCB meeting.* The Secretariat recalled that this is an annual report prepared and presented by UNAIDS Staff Association and it provides a short overview of priority issues affecting staff in UNAIDS.
- **Thematic Segment on Ending tuberculosis and AIDS - a joint response in the era of the Sustainable Development Goals:** *Confirmed for the 42nd PCB meeting.*

### **Possible issues to be considered for the 42nd PCB meeting**

The Secretariat presented the decision points of the PCB for possible agenda items at the 42nd PCB meeting in June 2018 and the Bureau decided as follows:

- **Synthesis report of existing research and literature on intellectual property (IP)-related and other factors impacting the availability, affordability, and accessibility of treatment and diagnostics for HIV and co-infections in low and middle-income countries**  
Decision 7.5 from the 39th PCB meeting (December 2016): Requests the Joint Programme, within its mandate and available resources, together with all relevant partners, and in collaboration with member states, to further identify data gaps, best practices and challenges therein, collect and analyse the necessary data including existing data, in order to better support countries to address intellectual property-related barriers, as one important barrier, as well as the 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.

The Bureau agreed that the report would be considered by the Board at the 43rd PCB meeting in December 2018. The report would also consider discussions at the WHO Health Assembly (WHA) in May 2018.

- **Analysis of the barriers to effective funding of community-led responses**  
[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:

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

The Secretariat informed that the report would draw on existing UNAIDS documents, as well as draft documents and existing external work. It would also be informed by interviews with key partners (e.g., Global Fund and PEPFAR) as well as consultations through the UNAIDS Country Offices to share experiences in the country of domestic funding (where it works and where it is challenging).

The Bureau agreed that that this report would be presented at the 43rd PCB meeting in December 2018. This will allow more time for the consultation process. It would also be strengthened with elements from the report on monitoring the achievement of the financial-related targets of the 2016 Political Declaration which will provide a comprehensive overview on challenges for funding the AIDS response

- **Monitoring the achievement of the financial-related targets of the 2016 Political Declaration:** Confirmed for the 42nd PCB meeting.

Decision point 6.11 from the 40th PCB meeting (June 2017): 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

The Secretariat informed that they are working on an outline of the report as follows:

- Background on the UNAIDS-Secretariat mandate to monitor and report on the progress and gaps in achieving financial related targets of the 2016 HLM Political Declaration;
- Methods and approaches to estimate global and regional financing levels and trends;
- Challenges to properly conduct HIV resource tracking to monitor commitments;
- New global, country and donor initiatives, opportunities and challenges.

The Bureau confirmed that this agenda item will be presented at the 42nd PCB meeting.

- **Updated Gap Report**

[Report by the NGO representative]: Decision point 4.6: Requests, in light of these decisions\*, UNAIDS for an update of the 2014 Gap report (presented in advance of the international AIDS conference in Melbourne) in terms of the HIV and AIDS response, and to report back to the Programme Coordinating Board.

The Secretariat informed the Bureau that it is currently considering when new data will be available and when it would be more strategic to issue this report. It is expected that the Executive Director will update the Board on this during his report in the PCB in June.

The Bureau agreed to follow the recommendation of the Secretariat on the way forward for this report.

- **Annual Progress report on Prevention**

Decision point 5: Follow-up to the thematic segment from the 40th Programme Coordinating Board meeting]: Requests the Joint Programme to: d) Report back to the Programme Coordinating Board annually on progress made on prevention.

The Bureau agreed that this agenda item will be considered at the 43rd PCB meeting in December.

- **Update on actions to reduce stigma and discrimination in all its forms**

Decision point 7.4 from the 41st PCB meeting: Requests the Joint Programme to provide a report on progress at a future meeting of the Programme Coordinating Board

The Bureau agreed that this agenda item will be considered as the one of the PCB meetings in 2019.

Following the presentation of the possible agenda items, the Chair requested the Secretariat to prepare versions of an annotated agenda for the 42nd PCB meeting, based on the agenda items that were discussed and agreed by the Bureau, and considering the time available.

Subsequently, the Bureau would approve electronically the agenda for posting on the UNAIDS PCB website. The Chair requested the Secretariat to also prepare a draft annotated agenda for the 43rd PCB meeting in December 2018 to have a better overview of the agenda items that would be discussed in 2018. The Chair stressed that in the light of the current focus on harassment globally, including in the UN System, it would be appropriate for the PCB to have a dedicated debate on this topic.

## **2. Preparation for the thematic segment of the 42nd PCB meeting: *Ending tuberculosis and AIDS - a joint response in the era of the Sustainable Development Goals***

The Secretariat indicated that a PCB working group composed of PCB Member States, PCB NGOs and Cosponsors will be 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 in collaboration with WHO and Stop Tuberculosis Partnership is currently working on a draft outline of the Background Note. The proposed tentative timeline is as follows:

<b>By 16 March</b>	Inputs received from UNAIDS Cosponsors on the draft annotated outline of the background note.
<b>By 20 March</b>	Invitation to express interest to be part of the PCB Working Group (WG) sent to all PCB constituencies with Terms of Reference (ToRs) of the WG and a draft annotated outline of the background note.
<b>By first week of April</b>	First Working Group (WG) meeting (discussion on the Draft annotated outline of the background note, timeline, etc.).
<b>By second week of April</b>	Call for submission of country best practices on successful programmes to respond to the theme.
<b>By third week of April</b>	The first draft background note shared with WG (by e-mail) and first draft of agenda.
<b>By end of April</b>	Second WG meeting (discussion on the first draft background note, draft agenda and speakers).
<b>By first week of May</b>	Deadline for the WG members to send additional written inputs on the first draft background note, draft agenda and speakers.
<b>By third week of May</b>	Secretariat to share the final draft background note and second draft of the agenda with WG members.
<b>By end of May</b>	Background note finalized and cleared – sent for Translation to French.
<b>By end of May</b>	Third meeting of the WG (finalization of the agenda, format of the day and speakers).
<b>Thursday 28 June</b>	42nd UNAIDS PCB Thematic Segment.
<b>December 2018</b>	43rd PCB meeting: Follow-up to the Thematic Segment (summary report with possibly decision points following Bureau's decision).

### 3. Any other Business

The PCB NGOs introduced the request to the Chair to use the inter-sessional decision-making process for the approval of the nomination of the PCB NGO delegate representing the Africa and Europe regions.

[Annex follows]

## Annex: Table of follow-up items from PCB meetings for possible inclusion in the Agenda of the 42nd PCB Meeting

AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE 42nd PCB MEETING (26-28 June 2018)		
Standing items		Agenda items
		Report of the 41st PCB meeting
		Executive Director (EXD) report
		Report by the Chair of the Committee of Cosponsoring Organisations (CCO)
		Report by the NGO representative
		Leadership in the AIDS response
		Follow-up to the thematic segment on Zero discrimination in health care settings
		UBRAF 2016-2021
		- Performance reporting
		- Financial reporting
		Update on strategic human resource management issues
		Statement by the staff association
		Thematic segment on <i>Ending tuberculosis and AIDS - a joint response in the era of the Sustainable Development Goals (42nd)</i>
Possible items for the 42nd PCB meeting	Decision Number	Agenda items
39th	7.3 7.5	<b>[Synthesis report of existing research and literature on intellectual property (IP)-related and other factors impacting the availability, affordability, and accessibility of treatment and diagnostics for HIV and co-infections in low and middle-income countries]</b>  <i>Requests</i> 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;  <i>Requests</i> the Joint Programme, within its mandate and available resources, together with all relevant partners, and in collaboration with member states, to further identify data gaps, best practices and challenges therein, collect and analyze the necessary data including existing data, in order to better support countries to address intellectual property-related barriers, as one important barrier, as well as the 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
39th	8.3a	<b>[Report by the NGO representative]</b> 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 : 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
40th	6,11	<b>[Unified Budget, Results and Accountability Framework (UBRAF) : Budget 2018-2019 UBRAF]</b> <i>Requests</i> 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
41st	4,6	<b>[Report by the NGO representative]</b> <i>Requests</i> , in light of these decisions*, UNAIDS for an update of the 2014 Gap report in terms of the HIV and AIDS response, and to report back to the Programme Coordinating Board  * Reference to the decision points 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4 and 4.5 of the 41st Programme Coordinating Board
41st	5.4d	<b>[Follow-up to the thematic segment from the 40th Programme Coordinating Board meeting]</b> <i>Requests</i> the Joint Programme to: d) Report back to the Programme Coordinating Board annually on progress made on prevention
41st	6,1	<b>[Report on progress in the implementation of the UNAIDS Joint Programme Action Plan]</b> Takes note of the report on progress in the implementation of the UNAIDS Joint Programme Action Plan and the Strategic Resource Mobilization Plan 2018–2021, and looks forward to a further update at the 42nd meeting of the Programme Coordinating Board in accordance with decision 5.3 of the 40th meeting of the Programme Coordinating Board
41st	7,4	<b>[Update on actions to reduce stigma and discrimination in all its forms]</b> <i>Requests</i> the Joint Programme to provide a report on progress at a future meeting of the Programme Coordinating Board
Items with defined timeline	Decision Number	Agenda items
41st	9.1b	<b>[Next Programme Coordinating Board meetings]</b> <i>Agrees</i> that the themes for the 42nd and 43rd Programme Coordinating Board meetings be: b) Mental Health and HIV/AIDS – promoting human rights, an integrated and person-centred approach to improving ART adherence, well-being and quality of life (43rd)
41st	9,2	<b>[Next Programme Coordinating Board meetings]</b> <i>Requests</i> 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 44th and 45th Programme Coordinating Board meetings
41st	8,3	<b>[Update on HIV in prisons and other closed settings]</b> <i>Requests</i> the Joint Programme to report on progress and concrete actions taken on this topic at a meeting of the Programme Coordinating Board in 2020