

UNAIDS PCB Bureau meeting

DATE: Thursday 14 May 2020

TIME: 16:00-17:00 (Geneva time)

VENUE: TEAMS meeting (Virtual)

Participants:

PCB Bureau: Ms Julia Martin and Ms Deana Jordan Sullivan (United States of America: representing the Chair); Ambassador Penda Andreas Naanda, Ms Xungileni Martha Galukeni Chitundu and Ms Anne-Marie Nitschke (Namibia: representing the Vice-chair); Dr. Sadre Alam (India: representing the Rapporteur); Ludo Bok (representing the CCO Chair, UNDP) and Mr Jonathan Gunthorp (representing the NGO Delegation)

UNAIDS Secretariat: Mr Morten Ussing, Director, Governance and Multilateral Affairs; Ms Samia Lounnas, Senior Governance Advisor, Governance and Multilateral Affairs

MEETING DRAFT AGENDA

- 1. Review and approval of PCB Bureau paper on modalities and procedures for the 46th PCB meeting:** The Bureau will review the draft paper on modalities and procedures for the virtual 46th PCB meeting
- 2. Management of key agenda items at the virtual meeting:** Updates on the JIU Working Group and the Task Team
- 3. Update on the UNAIDS Strategy:** Secretariat to provide update on the follow-up from the previous Bureau meeting
- 4. AOB:**

Summary

The Chair opened the meeting and thanked participants for joining, apologizing for the short notice of the meeting and noting the urgency of finalizing the proposed paper for intersessional decision making.

1. Review and approval of PCB Bureau paper on modalities and procedures for the 46th PCB meeting:

The Chair reminded participants that, at the previous meeting, the Bureau had requested the Chair and Secretariat to develop a proposal for the modalities and procedures for the virtual 46th meeting of the PCB for its consideration. The Chair noted that the PCB Legal Counsel had reviewed the proposal and approved of the text from a legal standpoint. Following agreement from the Bureau, the paper would be submitted to the broader PCB Members for approval through the intersessional decision making process.

This draft proposal had been shared with Bureau members in advance. To ensure clarity and agreement with the elements of the proposal, the Chair proposed to go through each section and discuss.

Key elements of the proposal include:

- The platform, Interprefy, will be used for the virtual PCB meeting.
- The Secretariat will make available presentations on most agenda items (with the exception of the Report of the Executive Director and Report of the CCO) in advance of the meeting.
- A series of pre-meeting sessions will be held on key agenda items to permit participants to clarify any issues on the content and to discuss the proposed decision points.
- Statements and amendments to decision points are requested to be submitted in advance of the meeting to permit circulation amongst and consideration by PCB Members.

Bureau members noted their agreement with the proposals and provided feedback and suggestions to clarify the proposals in the intersessional paper, including regarding registration and collection of statements. It was agreed to include a consolidated timeline as an annex to the paper. Bureau members suggested that getting feedback from others on lessons learned regarding the Interprefy platform and other elements of virtual meetings would be helpful in ensuring the smooth running of the virtual PCB meeting.

On the basis of these discussions, the Chair and Secretariat would send a revised proposal for approval by the PCB Bureau prior to sending to the wider PCB for intersessional decision making.

2. Management of key agenda items at the virtual meeting:

The Chair reminded the Bureau of feedback received during the intersessional approval on the previous PCB Bureau paper, *Options for the 46th PCB meeting* (UNAIDS/PCB (46)/20.2) regarding the amount of agenda items. The Chair noted that the PCB agenda was among the fullest of other virtual board meetings. In view of responding to this feedback, the Bureau discussed options to reduce the timing of certain agenda items, including through intersessional decision making.

Bureau members agreed that the two agenda items on progress reports, the update on the establishment of the Task Team on community-led responses and the progress report of the PCB Working Group on the follow-up to the JIU Review, should be considered. Both updates were largely procedural and were expected to deliver their substantive reports at the December PCB meeting. Bureau members considered options for participants to engage with these agenda items outside of the virtual meeting and provide feedback, including at a pre-meeting session and through intersessional decision making to take note of the updates.

3. Update on the Strategy

The Secretariat provided an update on the Strategy process further to the previous Bureau meeting. The Cabinet met with the Strategy team to discuss the proposal regarding adjusting the timeline of the Strategy. The Cabinet was in agreement with the rationale for adjusting: the importance of conducting a substantive review of the previous strategy, the need to ensure that maximum input and consultation can occur, and that the Strategy must be responsive to the changing context in which we find ourselves.

The Secretariat is in the process of finalizing a draft paper that will outline progress to date, note the reasons for the delay, and propose a new timeline for consideration at the 46th PCB meeting. The Executive Director would be formally communicating this decision to the PCB Chair, and would provide a pre-meeting session on the Strategy as part of the preparations for the PCB meeting.

Bureau members thanked the Secretariat for the update, and the UNAIDS Executive Director for her responsiveness to their concerns. It was agreed that members of the PCB would be notified of this development in the email announcing the publication of this summary.

4. AOB

There were no additional items raised under AOB. The Chair closed the meeting.

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