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## **Decision**

### **Strengthening the role of the Regional Office's geographically dispersed offices (GDOs): a renewed GDO strategy for Europe**

The Regional Committee decides:

1. that the Secretariat has the mandate to establish a GDO in the area of noncommunicable diseases (NCD) in a candidate country should the Greek government decide to withdraw as a host country, taking into account the expression of interest made by the Russian Federation;
2. to request the Secretariat, in cooperation with candidate countries, to develop business models for potential new GDOs in the areas of primary health care and humanitarian crisis with the full involvement of the SCRC, taking into account the expression of interest made by Kazakhstan for hosting such an office for primary health care, to be proposed for adoption at the sixty-third session of the Regional Committee;
3. in presenting options on the selection of new strategic areas and the establishment of potential GDOs, that the Secretariat shall make use of the content in document EUR/RC62/11.