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RESOLUTION

PROPOSED PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR 2004–2005

The Regional Committee,

Having reviewed the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2004–2005 (documents EUR/RC52/12 and EUR/RC52/12 Add.1) and taken note of the comments made in this respect by the Standing Committee of the Regional Committee (SCRC) and the Regional Committee;

Welcoming the continuing efforts made throughout the Organization to present a more focused policy and a single global strategic framework, in line with the concept of “one WHO”, and noting the improved comparability between successive biennial programme budgets;

Further welcoming the improved transparency in the distribution of funds from other sources to the three levels of the Organization;

Noting that the budget proposals are in accordance with resolution EUR/RC47/R9, which requested the Regional Director to prepare the regional perspective of the programme budget in accordance with the principles used for presentation of the global programme budget, while at the same time reflecting the exclusively regional priorities;

Noting further that the present budget proposals are still to be regarded as drafts, in view of the fact that Article 34 of the Constitution of WHO stipulates that the Director-General shall submit the final budget proposal of the Organization to the Executive Board;

1. REQUESTS the Regional Director to convey to the Director-General the views, comments and suggestions expressed by the Regional Committee on the proposed programme budget document, to be taken into consideration when finalizing and implementing the programme budget;
2. FURTHER REQUESTS the Regional Director to distribute any additional allocation for the biennium 2004–2005 based on the Human Development Index model endorsed at its forty-ninth session (resolution EUR/RC49/R5), taking particular account of the situation of countries facing natural disasters;
3. ENDORSES the strategic directions contained in the document “The European Region’s perspective” (EUR/RC52/12 Add.1) and WELCOMES the proposed budget for 2004–2005 contained in document EUR/RC52/12, which is to be financed with regular funds and funds from other sources, to the extent that the latter become available, and which provides an excellent basis for further discussions in the Executive Board and the World Health Assembly.