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CIRCULAR LETTER TO MEMBER STATES¹
IN THE WHO EUROPEAN REGION

Dear Sir or Madam,

**67th session of the WHO Regional Committee for Europe
Budapest, Hungary, 11–14 September 2017**

I have the honour to convene the 67th session of the WHO Regional Committee for Europe (RC67), in accordance with Rule 4 of the Regional Committee's Rules of Procedure.

The meeting will be held in Budapest, Hungary, on 11–14 September 2017 at the Budapest Congress Center. The session will open at 09:00 on Monday, 11 September, and close in the evening of Thursday, 14 September. On-site registration will be open on Sunday, 10 September, and will continue on Monday, 11 September, from 07:30. For further details about RC67, please refer to the guide for participants.

With regard to the provisional agenda of RC67, which will be posted on the website of the WHO Regional Office for Europe (<http://www.euro.who.int>), I would particularly like to draw your attention to the following technical items:

- Roadmap to implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, building on the Health 2020 policy framework;
- Improving environment and health in the context of Health 2020: outcomes of the Sixth Ministerial Conference on Environment and Health;
- Towards a sustainable health workforce in the WHO European Region: framework for action;
- Strengthening Member State collaboration on improving access to medicines in the WHO European Region;
- Accelerating implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005) and strengthening laboratory capacities for better health in the WHO European Region;
- Partnerships for health in the WHO European Region; and
- Governance in the WHO European Region.

¹ And regional economic integration organizations

In addition to the agenda items mentioned above, six progress reports will provide updates on the implementation of a number of resolutions approved by the Regional Committee at previous sessions. As is customary, ministerial lunches and technical briefings will offer additional opportunities to discuss technical items.

When composing your national delegation, please consider including your WHO national counterpart.

Under the agenda item on elections and nominations, in accordance with Rules 14.2.2 and 14.3 of the Rules of Procedure, the Regional Committee will be called on to nominate four members of the Executive Board and to elect four members of the Standing Committee of the Regional Committee and one member of the Policy and Coordination Committee of the Special Programme of Research, Development and Research Training in Human Reproduction. Document EUR/RC67/7 contains the curricula vitae and, where appropriate, the letters of intent of the candidates who have been put forward for membership of those WHO bodies and committees.

With regard to draft resolutions, under Rules 22 bis, 22 ter and 22 quarter of the Rules of Procedure, delegations are encouraged to submit any amendments or proposals prior to the session, if possible, or at least 24 hours before the draft resolution is taken up for discussion by the Regional Committee, in order to allow the Secretariat to translate them into the official languages and to distribute them for consideration among all other delegations.

Working documents in all official languages will be posted on the Regional Office website (<http://www.euro.who.int/en/about-us/governance/regional-committee-for-europe>) six weeks prior to the session. An advance copy of some documents may be available earlier.

Online registration will close on Monday, 28 August 2017. With respect to other administrative matters, including hotel booking, see the enclosed information note on practical details concerning the session and the guide for participants, which will be posted on the website in the near future. Please remember that a signed original of Member State credentials using the enclosed credentials form must be delivered to the Secretariat before the start of the session.

I look forward to welcoming you and your delegation to RC67 in Budapest, Hungary.

Yours very truly,



Dr. Zsuzsanna Jakab
Regional Director

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