DECISION

FCTC/COP10(15) Global Strategy to Accelerate Tobacco Control: Advancing Sustainable Development through the Implementation of the WHO FCTC 2019–2025

The Conference of the Parties (COP),

Recalling Article 23.5 of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (WHO FCTC), which stipulates that the COP shall keep under regular review the implementation of the Convention and take the decisions necessary to promote its effective implementation;

Recalling also decision FCTC/COP7(13), which established a working group to develop a medium-term strategic framework (MTSF) to guide the development of biennial workplans, budgets and implementation support for consideration by the COP;

Recalling further decision FCTC/COP8(16), in which the COP adopted the MTSF, also known as the Global Strategy to Accelerate Tobacco Control: Advancing Sustainable Development through the Implementation of the WHO FCTC 2019–2025, as a living document to be reviewed as necessary;

Recognizing that the Global Strategy guides Parties in setting national priorities and developing programmes and plans for the implementation of the WHO FCTC, as well as in monitoring these using indicators proposed in the Global Strategy;

Noting report FCTC/COP/10/16, in which the Bureau recommends the extension of the Global Strategy, considering the relevance of its objectives for the Parties and to align the Global Strategy with the timeline of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,

1. DECIDES to extend the Global Strategy until 2030 to ensure coherence and alignment with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;

2. REQUESTS the Convention Secretariat:

   (a) under the guidance of the Bureau, to consult a group of experts and stakeholders, such as those involved in the development of the Global Strategy, in order to assess the Global Strategy as a “living document to be reviewed as necessary” and provide suggestions concerning any necessary adjustments;

   (b) to report, on a biennial basis, on progress in the implementation of the extended Global Strategy, as part of its regular biennial global reports on the implementation of the Convention.

(Seventh plenary meeting, 10 February 2024)