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First report of Committee B

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At its third plenary meeting on 6 February 2024, the Conference of the Parties elected the following delegates to Committee B: Dr Alqahtani Zafer Mansour (Saudi Arabia) as Chairperson, and Aiono Dr Alec Ekeroma (Samoa) and Dr Ernest Zotoua (Côte d'Ivoire) as Vice-Chairpersons.

Committee B held its first and second meeting on 6 February 2024, under the chairmanship of Dr Alqahtani Zafer Mansour (Saudi Arabia).

Committee B recommends to the Conference of the Parties the adoption of the attached decisions relating to the following agenda items:

8. Budgetary and institutional matters

8.1 Performance and progress reports

One decision entitled:

- Global Strategy to Accelerate Tobacco Control: Advancing sustainable development through the implementation of the WHO FCTC 2019–2025

8.3 WHO FCTC Investment Fund

One decision entitled:

- WHO FCTC Investment Fund

Agenda item 8.1

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 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.

Agenda item 8.3

WHO FCTC Investment Fund

The Conference of the Parties (COP),

Recalling Articles 5.6 (General obligations) and 26 (Financial resources) of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (WHO FCTC);

Recognizing the importance of financial resources to support the implementation of the WHO FCTC;

Recalling decision FCTC/COP8(5), in which the COP requested the Convention Secretariat to make recommendations for the establishment and operation of a WHO FCTC Investment Fund;

Recalling also decision FCTC/COP9(13), in which the COP decided to launch the WHO FCTC Investment Fund and requested the Convention Secretariat to make the necessary arrangements to launch the Fund in an expedient manner;

Noting decision FCTC/MOP2(8), in which the Meeting of the Parties (MOP) to the Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products decided to launch an Investment Fund to support implementation of the Protocol;

Recalling that in decisions FCTC/COP9(13) and FCTC/MOP2(8) the COP and the MOP requested the Convention Secretariat to ensure management synergies between the Investment Funds supporting implementation of the WHO FCTC and the Protocol;

Acknowledging the report of the Convention Secretariat contained in document FCTC/COP/10/18, and the proposed terms of reference for a single Oversight Committee to serve the WHO FCTC and the Protocol Investment Funds, developed under the guidance of the Bureau of the COP and the Bureau of the MOP, contained in Annex 1 of that report,

1. DECIDES:

(a) to establish a single Oversight Committee serving the WHO FCTC and the Protocol Investment Funds, composed of:

- up to six members, reflecting to as great an extent as possible equitable representation from the regions of the World Health Organization (WHO); and
- one representative from a nongovernmental organization accredited as observer to the COP and/or the MOP will serve as observer to the OC;

(b) to adopt the terms of reference for the Oversight Committee, as contained in Annex 1 of document FCTC/COP/10/18, if also adopted by the MOP;

2. REQUESTS the Convention Secretariat to make the necessary arrangements to establish the Oversight Committee in an expedient manner.

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