ADDITIONAL MODALITIES FOR THE RESUMED SESSION OF WHA73

In view of circumstances arising from the Covid-19 pandemic, the following draft modalities have been considered by Member States and exceptionally are proposed for the resumed session of WHA73. These should not be considered as setting a precedent for future Health Assemblies.

Working hours:
10:00 to 13:00 and 14:00 to 17:00. There shall be no evening sessions.

COMMITTEE A

Pillar 1 One billion more people benefitting from universal health coverage
• Item 11 all sub-items will be grouped (Review and update on matters considered by the Executive Board)

Pillar 2 One billion more people better protected from health emergencies
• Item 13.2 (WHO’s work in health emergencies)
• Items 13.3, 13.4, 13.5 would be clustered (Influenza preparedness; Cholera prevention and control; Poliomyelitis: Polio eradication)

Pillar 3 One billion more people enjoying better health and well-being
• Item 15 sub-items will be clustered (Review and update on matters considered by the Executive Board)

COMMITTEE B

Pillar 4 More effective and efficient WHO providing better support to countries
• Item 18.6 Data and innovation: draft global strategy on digital health
• Item 22 Collaboration within the United Nations system and with other intergovernmental organizations

Time-limits:
The speaking time for statements, confirmed by Member States, would be no more than one minute. This should be borne in mind as the statements’ platform may accommodate written text up to 300 words (1960 characters).

Written statements:
As per the practical information sent earlier to non-State actors, written statements are posted for a limited time, and will not be retained on the website thereafter. Only statements presented orally at the invitation of the Chairperson will be considered in WHO’s official records.

Item 23 Progress reports will be considered only for written statements.