

Forum: World Health Assembly

Question of: Enhancing the Prevention and Control of Epidemics

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1 The World Health Assembly,

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3 *Alarmed by* the great numbers of victims of preventable epidemics,

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5 *Desiring* to contain future outbreaks of epidemics in order to protect the lives of the world's
6 citizens,

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8 *Noting with deep concern* that vaccination opponents are causing easily preventable deaths,

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10 *Alarmed by* the inability of less developed states to counteract major epidemics,

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12 1. **Encourages** all member states to support all countries but especially less developed
13 states in vaccination issues, by:
- 14 a. actively supporting vaccination campaigns worldwide,
 - 15 b. creating new trade agreements in order to reduce necessary expenditure to
16 combat epidemic outbreaks especially for less developed countries;
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18 2. **Encouraging** formations of groups and social networks, both offline and online in or-
19 der to convince and inform people of the importance of vaccines and general practic-
20 es of hygiene;
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22 3. **Recommends** preventing the further spread of epidemics by:
- 23 a. introducing vaccination certificates at border crossings such as airports,
 - 24 b. restricting migration of citizens within certain areas that are affected by current
25 outbreaks of epidemics;
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27 4. **Further recommends** the control of a fast and reliable communication network for
28 health professionals to alert others and to get health information;
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30 5. **Strongly urges** all member states to spread awareness of the danger of epidemics
31 and the importance of vaccines by:
- 32 a. television and radio broadcast,
 - 33 b. holding consultations in schools, colleges, universities and other educational
34 institutions,
 - 35 c. holding consultations at workplaces;
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6. **Strongly urges** all member states to invest in a fund, supporting the development of vaccines, in order to achieve cheaper development costs for vaccines and dissolve monopolies, resulting in cheaper vaccination costs through giving smaller pharmacy industries the possibility to add own vaccines and adding competition on the market;
 7. **Suggests** clarifying about the spread of epidemics and about simple hygienic measures through:
 - a. preventive measures in the city and in the country,
 - b. information about acute measures to ensure water supply for cleaning measures;
 8. **Determines** that member states get supported in fighting mosquitoes in order to prevent diseases like malaria and dengue fever;
 9. **Asks** for the appropriate handling of deceased people during an epidemic:
 - a. with adequate procedures made in advance,
 - b. according to cultural preferences and response of medical experts;
 10. **Calls upon** the immediate and strict armistice during the assistance for the tackling of an epidemic of any party in war zones until:
 - a. all civilians are treated accordingly and sufficiently,
 - b. patients are brought out of the war zones for refined treatment,
 - c. medical camps for humanitarian aid are established in safe zones where to the transport is given by the providers;
 11. **Urges** for the manifestation of worldwide health standards set by the WHO, observed by CDCs (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) which are:
 - a. constituted in all part-taking nations,
 - b. led by chief executives that are health experts from the appointing respective nations,
 - c. frequently examining their national health system and condition of the population,
 - d. responsible for the administration of local measures against epidemics,
 - e. in direct contact with the world-wide health information network;
 12. **Encourages** MEDCs to take a leading role in supporting the affected countries, the LEDCs and NICs, and their endangered population by providing help and medications because due to the on-going globalization and the mobilization of people, MEDCs could be affected just as the LEDCs and NICs;
 13. **Accepts and supports** any further ideas, measures and strategies, which can be helpful in the problem-solving process;
 14. **Calls for** a National Epidemic Emergency Agency (NEEA), which
 - a. is to be informed about every epidemic disease by all medical facilities,
 - b. coordinates:
 - i. the medical treatment and,
 - ii. the collaboration of public healthcare and private healthcare;
 15. **Requests** initiatives to fight climate change in order to prevent the increase of temperatures and decrease the high number of infectious insects and the multiplying of bacteria and viruses.