

Process for the election of the Director-General of the World Health Organization: candidates’ statements and travel support

The Seventy-fourth World Health Assembly, having considered the report on the process for the election of the Director-General of the World Health Organization,¹

Decided:

(1) that, in respect of the present and subsequent elections, candidates nominated by the Executive Board for the post of Director-General of the World Health Organization shall address the Health Assembly before the vote for the appointment of the Director-General, on the understanding that:

- (a) statements shall be limited to a maximum of 15 minutes each;
- (b) the order of statements shall be decided by lot;
- (c) there shall be no questions and answers after statements;
- (d) statements shall be webcast on the WHO website in all WHO official languages;

(2) that paragraph 1 shall not apply in the event that only one candidate is nominated by the Executive Board for the post of Director-General;

(3) that financial travel support, consisting of an economy-class airline ticket and a per diem for the time necessary for the interview, shall be provided to all candidates participating in the candidates’ forums.

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¹ Document A74/24.