

Process for the election of the Director-General of the World Health Organization: contingency arrangements

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: contingency arrangements,¹

Decided:

- (1) that, in the event that the Seventy-fifth World Health Assembly were to be held in person, the secret ballot vote for the appointment of the Director-General would be conducted following a paper-based system, in accordance with decision WHA73(16) (2020);
- (2) that, in the event that limitations to physical meetings preclude the holding of the Seventy-fifth World Health Assembly as envisaged, the appointment of the Director-General shall take place in accordance with the contingency arrangements decided by the Executive Board, through a written silence procedure, based on a proposal by the Officers of the Board, following consultation with all Member States.

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¹ Document A74/24 Add.2.