

25 March 2021

**Virtual Special Session of the UNAIDS Programme Coordinating Board
Geneva, Switzerland**

24-25 March 2021

Decisions

The UNAIDS Programme Coordinating Board,

Recalling that all aspects of UNAIDS work are directed by the following guiding principles:

- Aligned to national stakeholders' priorities;
- Based on the meaningful and measurable involvement of civil society, especially people living with HIV and populations most at risk of HIV infection;
- Based on human rights and gender equality;
- Based on the best available scientific evidence and technical knowledge;
- Promoting comprehensive responses to AIDS that integrate prevention, treatment, care and support; and
- Based on the principle of non-discrimination;

Agenda item 1: Opening of the meeting and adoption of the agenda

1. *Adopts* the agenda;

Agenda item 2: Report of the 47th Programme Coordinating Board meeting

2. *Adopts* the report of the 47th Programme Coordinating Board meeting;

Agenda item 3: Global AIDS Strategy 2021-2026

- 3.1 *Adopts* the Global AIDS Strategy 2021-2026;¹²

¹ The Islamic Republic of Iran disassociates itself from those parts of the Global AIDS Strategy 2021-2026, and the associated decision point 3 of the March 2021 Special Session of the PCB, that may imply, in any manner whatsoever, recognition, protection or promotion of those behaviors that are unlawful or unethical under its legal system or socio-cultural norms, or which may contradict its moral and religious values. Accordingly, the Islamic Republic of Iran shall not be bound by or committed to any recommendation related to or arising from the abovementioned parts.

² The Russian Federation disassociates itself from certain parts of the Global AIDS Strategy 2021-2026.

- 3.2 *Reaffirms* that, in implementing the Global AIDS Strategy 2021-2026, national strategies and contexts of the countries concerned should be considered;

Agenda item 4: Unified Budget, Results and Accountability Framework (UBRAF) for the 2021-2026 Strategy

- 4.1 *Recalls* Decision Points 5.1, 6.6, 9.5, 9.7 from the 47th meeting of the Programme Coordinating Board;
- 4.2 *Takes note* of the progress update and proposed approach for the development of the new UNAIDS Unified Budget, Results, Accountability Framework (UBRAF);
- 4.3 *Requests* the Executive Director to submit for consideration a zero draft of the overall framework of the 2022-2026 UBRAF at the 48th PCB meeting in June 2021, and to submit the full 2022–2026 UBRAF and biennial workplan and budget for 2022–2023 for approval at a Special Session of the PCB in September 2021;
- 4.4 *Looks forward* to the comprehensive funding dialogue, aimed at ensuring predictable and full funding for the implementation of the 2022-2026 UBRAF; and

Agenda item 5: PCB Report to ECOSOC

5. Having considered the report included in the annex, *decides*, as requested by ECOSOC in its resolution E/RES/2019/33, to request the PCB Chair to transmit the report to the President of ECOSOC.

Intersessional Decisions:

Recalling that, to cope with the specific circumstances due to the COVID-19 health crisis, it has decided through the intersessional procedure (see decisions in UNAIDS/PCB/(EM)/3.2):

- *Agrees* that the March Special Session of the Programme Coordinating Board will be held virtually on 24 – 25 March 2021;
- *Agrees* that the 48th meeting of the Programme Coordinating Board will include an additional day to the dates agreed in decision point 11.3 of the 43rd PCB meeting and will be held virtually on 29 June – 2 July 2021;
- *Agrees* that the PCB Bureau will determine if the 49th meeting of the Programme Coordinating Board will be virtual or in-person; and that if the meeting will be held virtually, it will exceptionally include an additional day and be held on 7 – 10 December 2021; and
- *Agrees* on the modalities and rules of procedure set out in the paper, Modalities and procedures for virtual 2021 UNAIDS PCB meetings (UNAIDS/PCB(EM)/3.2), for the virtual 2021 PCB meetings and their preparations.