



American Model United Nations
World Health Organization Executive Board

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SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Global vaccine action plan

SUBMITTED TO: The World Health Organization Executive Board

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1 *Reaffirming* the Constitution of the World Health Organization (WHO), which states that the education
2 and cooperation of the public are imperative in sustaining public health,

3 *Noting* the fact that the most efficacy garnered from vaccines occurs during infancy, and that the choice of
4 vaccination during this stage of development is left to the parents and/or guardians in many circumstances,

5 *Concerned* by the harmful misinformation being spread regarding immunizations,

6 *Further notes* that misinformation is not one-sided, but also emphasizes the side effects that some vaccina-
7 tions might provide,

8 *Recognizing* the need for increased education of the world's population regarding the true effects of vaccina-
9 tions,

10 *Acknowledging* cultural mistrust of modern medicines that may be included within many religions and regions
11 of both the developed and developing states,

12 *Understanding* the importance of respecting the individual cultures and views of Member States,

13 *Noting* the fact that vaccine outreach to individuals will be far more effective if received from someone with
14 a shared cultural point-of-view,

15 *Emphasizing* that the efforts of the Global Vaccination Plan is in no way prohibited or hindered by this
16 resolution and its initiatives,

17 *Welcoming* cooperation between the WHO, United Nations Member States, the international community,
18 and other stakeholders to resolve issues concerning the global vaccine action plan,

19 1. *Calls upon* Member States, in collaboration and consultation with the WHO, to create educational
20 programs that inform both public and government officials about the effect, safety, the importance of vaccines and
21 general disease prevention;

22 2. *Recommends* that Member States governments, along with the WHO, form partnerships with universi-
23 ties and other educational institutions, local non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and civil society organization
24 (CSOs), both international and regional, to implement educational programs;

25 3. *Advocates* collaboration between the state members, WHO, and other relevant parties to form partnerships
26 with the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF), the United Nations Development
27 Programme (UNDP), and other relevant United Nations bodies in educating people about vaccination and safety;

28 4. *Encourages* stakeholders - including states' governments, the WHO, NGOs, and other relevant parties
29 - to develop education programs of diverse instructional methods, in a manner sensitive to cultural and linguistic
30 differences, about vaccination that account for the languages, cultures, and religions of Member States;

31 5. *Invites* Member States at different development stages to exchange and publish materials, particularly
32 immunization schedules that would inform each respective states' citizens when they should be immunized and if
33 free or discounted vaccinations are available;

34 6. *Further encourages* the aforementioned stakeholders to, while designing and implementing public educa-
35 tional program, account for vulnerable groups such as women, children, people in warzones and other tumultuous
36 areas (i.e. refugee camps), that might otherwise be excluded from educational groups;

37 7. *Additionally recommends* that these programs make an effort to work with local health officials and
38 organizations to facilitate effective outreach and spread of education to communities.

Passed by consensus, with 0 abstentions