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ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME (AIDS)

The Regional Committee,

Having reviewed the paper presented by WHO Eastern Mediterranean Regional Office on the Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome;

Noting that this disease is highly fatal and there are todate no specific preventive and curative measures for it;

Realizing the potential hazards that may ensue as a result of the spread of this disease in the Region;

In view of the need to adapt measures to evaluate the situation in the Region and prevent the spread of this disease:

1. URGES Member States:

- 1.1 To make available to the public appropriate and balanced information on this disease, particularly on its modes of spread and methods of prevention.
- 1.2 To initiate surveillance of the disease.
- 1.3 To take the appropriate measures to prevent blood and blood products from becoming sources of infection.

2. REQUESTS the Regional Director:

- 2.1 To ensure the regular provision to Member States of up-to-date information on the Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, particularly on methods of the disease prevention, diagnosis and management of cases;
- 2.2 To cooperate with Member States to develop their national capabilities to diagnose the disease, through holding training courses and symposia on the subject;
- 2.3 To cooperate with Member States in establishing regional centres, laboratory diagnosis, epidemiology and research.
- 2.4 To encourage smooth information exchange on the occurrence of the disease in the Region.
- 2.5 To mobilize the necessary resources for establishing a regional programme for the prevention and control of the disease.