



REGIONAL COMMITTEE FOR THE  
EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN

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**PLACE AND DATE OF FUTURE SESSIONS OF  
THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE**

1. The Regional Committee is invited to decide on the place of the Forty-fourth Session and any future sessions.
2. During its Forty-first Session in Bahrain, the Regional Committee accepted two invitations extended by the Governments of Egypt and Pakistan and decided to hold its Forty-second Session in Cairo, Egypt, in October 1995 and the Forty-third Session in Pakistan in October 1996.
3. Subsequent to this, we have received an invitation from the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran to hold a future session of the Regional Committee in the Islamic Republic of Iran.
4. In this connection, it might be recalled that the Regional Committee had earlier received invitations to hold sessions in Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates and Sudan. However, for various compelling reasons, the three Governments had requested deferment/postponement of their invitations.
5. In taking a decision on this matter, the Regional Committee might like to keep in view the resolution of the Ninth World Health Assembly (WHA9.20) which " ... INVITES the attention of the regional committees to the desirability of host governments participating in the cost resulting from holding regional committee meetings outside the regional headquarters ...". Similarly, resolution EM/RC6A/R.13 of the Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean "... CALLS UPON Member States inviting the Committee to meet in their territories to make the maximum possible contribution towards this additional cost".
6. The Secretariat is at the disposal of the Regional Committee for any further details or clarification on this matter.