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Progress report on the review of the status of resolutions adopted by the Regional Committee during the period 2000–2019, and recommendations for sunsetting and reporting requirements

Introduction

- 1. In October 2023, the 70th session of the WHO Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean adopted resolution EM/RC70/R.6 endorsing the recommendations made in document EM/RC70/14 with regard to the sunsetting of 72 resolutions on strategies, frameworks and technical documents adopted by the Regional Committee during the period 2000–2017.
- 2. Resolution EM/RC70/R.6 also requested the WHO Regional Director to: ensure that requirements for reporting on the implementation of resolutions are clearly defined; propose, for each resolution, specified reporting years to the Regional Committee; consider the entire proposed lifespan of a resolution when advising the Regional Committee of its technical, administrative and financial implications; and revisit active resolutions resulting from the exercise and submit a detailed report to the 72nd session of the Regional Committee.
- 3. This report summarizes the progress made in reviewing the status of resolutions adopted by the Regional Committee during the period 2000–2019, including recommendations for sunsetting and reporting requirements.

Earlier regional exercise

- 4. The process of reviewing resolutions falls under the terms of reference of the Programme Subcommittee of the Regional Committee, which monitors the implementation of the recommendations and decisions of the Regional Committee.
- 5. Tracking and monitoring the implementation of time-bound resolutions is part of the Secretariat's implementation plan, as recommended by the Agile Member States Task Group (AMSTG).
- 6. In 2013, as part of the resolution audit and monitoring process, and in line with the WHO reform (EB132/5 Add.6 and A66/4), the Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean initiated a process of review of resolutions endorsed by the Committee during 2000–2011.
- 7. This review of the status of implementation of resolutions of the Regional Committee was the first ever conducted and resulted in the sunsetting of most resolutions endorsed in the years under consideration (60% of the adopted 134 resolutions from 2000 to 2011).
- 8. In 2023, the Regional Committee conducted a second review of resolutions it had endorsed during 2000–2017. In total, 126 resolutions were examined, including operative paragraphs embedded within the Regional Director's annual resolution. As a result, 72 resolutions were sunset and 54 remained active under the continuation of their mandate.

Methodology of current exercise

- 9. A thorough review of adopted Regional Committee resolutions from 2000 to 2019 was undertaken, building on the exercise conducted in 2023.
- 10. Resolutions were classified into the categories of sunset or active, according to a set of predefined exemption criteria, if the resolution exceeded six years of age.

- 11. The criteria for exceptions to the six-year limitation on reporting, as proposed in Executive Board document EB148/33 on WHO reform: governance, considered in decision EB148(9), included:
- reporting related to ongoing efforts for the eradication or elimination of diseases, such as poliomyelitis and dracunculiasis;
- standing items on the agendas because of their strategic relevance to the governing bodies, such as the
 implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005), smallpox eradication: destruction of
 variola virus stocks, the Infrastructure Fund, collaboration within the United Nations system and with
 other intergovernmental organizations;
- the alignment of reporting with the duration of an existing strategy or action plan.
- 12. Resolutions were sorted by pillars that reflected WHO's global and regional strategic priorities (advancing universal health coverage, addressing health emergencies, promoting healthier populations and transforming WHO).

Results

- 13. As a result of the analysis, 84 resolutions were examined, including operative paragraphs embedded in the Regional Director's annual resolution. It is proposed to sunset 19 resolutions and keep 65 under continuation of mandate with a possible revisit within two years' time for reassessment. The recommendations for sunsetting, including criteria for exemptions, for each of the 84 reviewed resolutions are provided in Annex 1.
- 14. The following table details the results by department of the WHO Regional Office:

Department/unit	Number of resolutions	Active	To be sunset
Business Operations	2	1	1
Communication,	1	1	_
Resource Mobilization			
and Partnership			
UHC/Communicable	9	8	1
Diseases			
Director, Programme Management	1	_	1
Healthier Populations	12	8	4
UHC/Noncommunicable	18	13	5
Diseases			
Programme Planning,	1	-	1
Budget and Monitoring			
Polio Eradication	2	2	_
Science, Information and	6	3	3
Dissemination			
UHC/Health Systems	23	20	3
Health Emergencies	9	9	_
Total	84	65	19

15. The following table details the results by pillar:

Pillars	Number of resolutions	Active	To be sunset
Pillar 1	32	28	4
Pillar 2	11	11	0
Pillar 3	30	21	9
Pillar 4	11	5	6
Total	84	65	19

The way forward

- 16. The Secretariat should continue to ensure that all resolutions and decisions on strategies, frameworks and technical documents proposed by the Secretariat to the Regional Committee have clear reporting cycles as well as end dates, where appropriate. Where possible, a mid-term review should be clearly specified. When a resolution or decision is proposed by a Member State, the Secretariat should provide the same guidance to the proposers.
- 17. All final progress reports to the Regional Committee should indicate whether reporting on the resolution or decision relating to a strategy, framework or technical document will be sunset or subsumed into reporting on a new mandate on the same or related subject matter. If reporting is to be subsumed, even before the end date, it is recommended that this is done through the most recent resolution or decision with a similar mandate, and is specified in the final progress report.

Annex 1

List of resolutions on strategies, frameworks and technical documents adopted during 2000–2019 and recommendations for sunsetting, including criteria for exemptions

Pillar 1. Ad	dvancing universal health coverage					
Resolution code/year	Title	Specific reporting requirements	Recommend for		fy which item(s) from the reference to the WHO ref	
			sunsetting (yes/no)	Reporting related to ongoing efforts for the eradication or elimination of diseases	Standing items on the agendas because of their strategic relevance to the governing bodies	Alignment of reporting with the duration of an existing strategy or action plan
EM/RC47/R.11 2000	Elimination of lymphatic filariasis in the Eastern Mediterranean Region	Inform the Regional Committee of progress achieved in attaining the elimination goal	No	✓		
EM/RC49/R.11 2002	Health professions education	NA	No		✓	√
EM/RC50/R.12 2003	Primary health care: 25 years after Alma-Ata	Report to the Regional Committee on progress made in strengthening primary health care and the achievement of health for all in 2-years' time	No			✓
EM/RC52/R.4 2005	Regional strategy for enhancing patient safety	Report periodically on progress in patient safety performance in the Eastern Mediterranean Region in collaboration with regional and international partners	No			√
EM/RC53/R.8 2006	The role of government in health development	NA	No		✓	
EM/RC55/R.2 2008	Commitment to health systems based on primary health care in the Eastern Mediterranean Region	Report back to the Regional Committee periodically on the progress made in strengthening primary health care-based health systems	No		√	
EM/RC55/R.5 2008	Promoting nursing and midwifery development in the Eastern Mediterranean Region	NA	No		√	✓
EM/RC56/R.5 2009	The growing threats of hepatitis B and C in the Eastern Mediterranean Region: a call for action	NA	No	✓		
EM/RC56/R.10 2009	A World Health Organization code of practice on the international recruitment of health personnel	NA	No		✓	✓
EM/RC58/R.5 2011	Scaling up the Expanded Programme on Immunization to meet global and regional targets	NA	No	✓	✓	√

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			sunsetting (yes/no)	Reporting related to ongoing efforts for the eradication or elimination of diseases	Standing items on the agendas because of their strategic relevance to the governing bodies	Alignment of reporting with the duration of an existing strategy or action plan
EM/RC58/R.10 2011	Managing the use of public health pesticides in the face of the increasing burden of vector-borne diseases	Report periodically to the Regional Committee on progress in implementation of this resolution	Yes			
EM/RC59/R.1 2012	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2011 and progress reports 5.1 Provide support to alleviate the suffering of refugees and internally displaced persons in the Syrian Arab Republic and neighbouring countries, especially Jordan		No			√
EM/RC62/R.4 2015	Medical education: a framework for action	NA	No		✓	√
EM/RC63/R.1 2016	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2015 3.2 Review and implement national action plans based on the updated strategic framework for integrated vector management	NA	No			√
EM/RC63/R.4 2016	Strategic framework for strengthening health laboratory services 2016–2020	Report on progress in the implementation of the strategic framework to the 65th and 67th sessions of the Regional Committee	No		√	
EM/RC63/R.5 2016	Strategic framework for blood safety and availability 2016–2025	Report to the Regional Committee every two years, starting from 2018, on the progress in implementation of the regional strategic framework for blood safety and availability 2016–2025	No			√
EM/RC64/R.1 2017	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2016 7.1 Support Member States in implementation of the regional framework for action on health workforce development, including facilitating intercountry exchange and collaboration, and monitoring and evaluation of the progress	NA	No		√	√
EM/RC64/R.1 2017	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2016 7.2 Develop a regional framework for action on advancing the role of the private health sector in the move towards universal health coverage, to be presented for endorsement to the Regional Committee at its 65th session	Present regional framework for action for endorsement to the Regional Committee at its 65th session	No			√

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Resolution code/year	Title	Specific reporting requirements	Recommend for	In case of no, specify which item(s) from the exemption criteria with reference to the WHO reform			
	(yes/no)	sunsetting (yes/no)	Reporting related to ongoing efforts for the eradication or elimination of diseases	Standing items on the agendas because of their strategic relevance to the governing bodies	Alignment of reporting with the duration of an existing strategy or action plan		
EM/RC64/R.5 2017	Antimicrobial resistance in the Eastern Mediterranean Region	Report to the Regional Committee on the progress of Member States in implementation of the global action plan on antimicrobial resistance at its 66th session	No		√	√	
EM/RC65/R.1 2018	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2017 5.2 Develop national multisectoral action plans to accelerate efforts to control tuberculosis by 2022 and eliminate it by 2030	NA	No	✓	√	√	
EM/RC65/R.1 2018	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2017 5.4 Develop national plans of action for improving access to assistive technology by all those who need them, "leaving no one behind"	NA	No			√	
EM/RC65/R.1 2018	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2017 5.5 Take action to update the organization of national blood systems, establish appropriate regulatory systems for the management of blood and blood products as essential medicines and develop national and regional capacity for plasma fractionation to optimize the use of plasma and reduce its wastage	NA	No			√	
EM/RC65/R.1 2018	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2017 6.2 Provide technical support to Member States to develop their national plans, promote implementation of the UN General Assembly Political Declaration "United to end tuberculosis: an urgent global response to a global epidemic", contribute to the global accountability framework as appropriate and report on progress in tuberculosis control to the Regional Committee in 2020	Report on progress in tuberculosis control to the Regional Committee in 2020	No	✓	✓	√	
EM/RC65/R.1 2018	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2017 6.4 Provide technical guidance for improving access to appropriate, affordable and quality assistive products in both development and emergency contexts	NA	No			√	

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existing strategy

or action plan

		States to scale up implementation of the regional strategic framework for blood safety and availability 2016–2025				
	EM/RC65/R.3 2018	Private sector engagement for advancing universal health coverage	Report on progress in implementing this resolution to the 67th and 69th sessions of the Regional Committee	Yes		
J	EM/RC66/R.1 2019	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2018 5.3 Strengthen the capacity of the pharmaceutical sector to improve the availability of quality, affordable medicines and vaccines	NA	No		✓
	EM/RC66/R.1 2019	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2018 5.5 Develop and implement national PHC for UHC roadmaps	NA	Yes		
	EM/RC66/R.1 2019	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2018 6.3 Develop a comprehensive regional strategy to ensure the availability, accessibility, affordability and quality of medicines and vaccines in the Region	NA	No		✓
	EM/RC66/R.1 2019	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2018 6.5 Provide technical support to Member States to develop PHC for UHC roadmaps and ensure their implementation	NA	Yes		

Provide a report to the 69th, 72nd, 75th and 77th

sessions of the Regional Committee on progress

Report to the 68th and 70th sessions of the

Regional Committee on progress towards implementation of the regional framework for action.

until the year 2030

Specific reporting requirements

NA

Recommend

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sunsetting

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No

Reporting related

to ongoing efforts

for the eradication

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In case of no, specify which item(s) from the exemption criteria

with reference to the WHO reform

Standing items on

the agendas because

of their strategic

relevance to the

governing bodies

Resolution

EM/RC65/R.1

EM/RC66/R.3

EM/RC66/R.4

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Pillar 1. Advancing universal health coverage

Title

Annual report of the Regional Director for 2017

Strengthening the nursing workforce to advance

Introducing the framework for action for the hospital

universal health coverage in the Eastern

sector in the Eastern Mediterranean Region

Mediterranean Region

6.5 Continue to provide technical support to Member

Resolution	dressing health emergencies Title	Specific reporting requirements	Recomme		ecify which item(s) from	
code/year			nd for sunsetting (yes/no)	Reporting related to ongoing efforts for the eradication or elimination of diseases	Standing items on the agendas because of their strategic relevance to the governing bodies	Alignment of
EM/RC50/R.4 2003	Eradication of poliomyelitis	Report regularly to the Regional Committee on progress in poliomyelitis eradication	No	✓		
EM/RC51/R.2 2004	Health conditions of the Arab population in Palestine	NA	No			✓
EM/RC52/R.1 3 2005	Health conditions in the Palestinian occupied territory including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan Heights	NA	No			✓
EM/RC57/R.2 2010	Emergency preparedness and response and regional emergency solidarity fund	Report regularly to the Regional Committee on the regional emergency solidarity fund and the progress made in operationalizing the regional hub for logistics and supply management	No		√	
EM/RC59/R.1 2012	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2011 and progress reports 5.2 Implement resolution EM/RC57/R.2 on emergency preparedness and response and regional solidarity fund	Follow up on implementation of resolution EM/RC57/R.2 on emergency preparedness and response and regional solidarity fund	No		√	
EM/RC59/R.1 2012	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2011 and progress reports 5.3 Express their solidarity for Afghanistan and Pakistan in their efforts to eradicate poliomyelitis, through political, financial and technical support		No	√		
EM/RC61/R.1 2014	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2013 8.4 Contribute to the Emergency Solidarity Fund by allocating to it a minimum of 1% of the WHO country budget in addition to other voluntary contributions whenever possible	NA NA	No			√
EM/RC62/R.3 2015	Assessment and monitoring of the implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005)	The Regional Assessment Commission to report to the Regional Committee on the status of implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005) annually through the Regional Director	No		√	

Pillar 2. Add	Pillar 2. Addressing health emergencies								
Resolution code/year	Title	Specific reporting requirements	Recomme nd for		In case of no, specify which item(s) from the exemption criteria with reference to the WHO reform				
			sunsetting (yes/no)	Reporting related to ongoing efforts for the eradication or elimination of diseases	Standing items on the agendas because of their strategic relevance to the governing bodies				
EM/RC64/R.1 2017	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2016 6.4 Continue to implement the WHO framework for the monitoring and evaluation of the International Health Regulations (2005) and develop national plans of action for health security, taking into consideration the outcomes of the monitoring and evaluation	Include a regular item on the agenda of the Regional Committee on the health issues facing populations affected by disasters and emergencies	No		✓				
EM/RC66/R.1 2019	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2018 5.4 Accelerate implementation of National Action Plans for Health Security	NA	No			✓			
EM/RC66/R.1 2019	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2018 6.6 Catalyze collective action among Member States to strengthen regional health security	NA	No			✓			

Resolution	Promoting healthier populations Title	Specific reporting requirements	Recommend	In case of no. sno	cify which itom(s) from	the exemption	
code/year	Title	Specific reporting requirements	for		In case of no, specify which item(s) from the exemption criteria with reference to the WHO reform		
			sunsetting (yes/no)	Reporting related to ongoing efforts for the eradication or elimination of diseases	Standing items on the agendas because of their strategic relevance to the governing bodies		
EM/RC50/R.3 2003	Tobacco-Free Initiative	NA	No	✓			
EM/RC56/R.7 2009	Road traffic injuries: a growing public health concern	Report to the Regional Committee every two years on the regional situation regarding road traffic injuries	No		√		
EM/RC59/R.1 2012	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2011 and progress reports 5.4 Ensure that a 100% smoke-free policy is implemented in all public places and accelerate the implementation of the other proven demand reduction measures of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control	NA .	No	✓			
EM/RC59/R.2 2012	The Political Declaration of the United Nations General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Non-Communicable Diseases: commitments of Member States and the way forward	Report annually to the Regional Committee on the progress of Member States in implementing the United Nations Political Declaration on Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases based on the regional Framework for Action	Yes				
EM/RC60/R.4 2013	Follow-up to the United Nations Political Declaration on the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases	NA	Yes				
EM/RC60/R.5 2013	Regional strategy on health and the environment 2014–2019	Monitor and report to the Regional Committee the progress achieved in the implementation of the strategy every two years until 2019	No			✓	
EM/RC60/R.6 2013	Saving the lives of mothers and children	Report to the Regional Committee on progress in implementation of the national acceleration plans annually until 2015	Yes				
EM/RC61/R.3 2014	Noncommunicable diseases: scaling up implementation of the Political Declaration of the United Nations General Assembly	Report to the Regional Committee at its 62nd, 63rd and 64th sessions on the progress of Member States in the prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases, based on the process indicators	Yes				
EM/RC62/R.1 2015	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2014 4.1 Develop or update national reproductive, maternal, neonatal, child health strategic plans in accordance with the United Nations global strategy on women's, children's and adolescents' health	NA	No			√	

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			sunsetting (yes/no)	Reporting related to ongoing efforts for the eradication or elimination of diseases	Standing items on the agendas because of their strategic relevance to the governing bodies	Alignment of reporting with the duration of an existing strategy or action plan
EM/RC62/R.1 2015	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2014 5.1 Maintain partnership at regional and country level with UNFPA, UNICEF and other partners in reproductive, maternal, neonatal and child health, building on the momentum gained through the initiative on saving the lives of mothers and children	NA	No			√
EM/RC62/R.1 2015	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2014 5.2 Develop a regional plan of action on food safety to support Member States based on the outcomes of the country assessments conducted in 2015	N/A	No		✓	
EM/RC62/R.2 2015	Noncommunicable diseases: accelerating implementation of the 2011 Political Declaration of the United Nations General Assembly in preparation for the third high-level meeting in 2018	Report to the Regional Committee at its 63rd and 64th sessions on the progress of Member States in the prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases	Yes			
EM/RC62/R.5 2015	Scaling up mental health care: a framework for action	Report to the Regional Committee every two years starting from 2017 on the status of implementation of the regional framework	No			√
EM/RC63/R.1 2016	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2015 3.6 Strengthen bilateral and multilateral cooperation in the Region in order to curb the problem of air pollution	Submit an evidence-based plan of action for the regional implementation of the global roadmap to address the health impacts of indoor and outdoor air pollution to the 64th session of the Regional Committee	No		√	
EM/RC63/R.3 2016	Improving access to assistive technology	Report to the Regional Committee at its 65th session on progress in implementation of this resolution	No			✓
EM/RC64/R.1 2017	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2016 6.2 Become Parties to the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products as soon as possible	Engage with Member States and various parties to develop a regional strategy and action plan for tobacco control reflecting the commitments of the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, to be presented for endorsement by the Regional Committee at its 65th session	No	1		
EM/RC64/R.2 2017	Regional framework for action on cancer prevention and control	Report to the Regional Committee on the progress of Member States in implementing the regional framework for action on cancer prevention and control at its 66th session.	No	√	√	✓

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				Reporting related to ongoing efforts for the eradication or elimination of diseases	Standing items on the agendas because of their strategic relevance to the governing bodies		
EM/RC64/R.4 2017	Operationalization of the adolescent health component of the Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health, 2016–2030	NA	No			√	
EM/RC65/R.1 2018	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2017 5.1 Strengthen human resources and institutional capacity to implement the surveillance, monitoring and evaluation component of the regional framework for action to implement the Political Declaration of the United Nations General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Non-Communicable Diseases	NA	No	√			
EM/RC65/R.1 2018	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2017 5.3 Implement the regional tobacco control strategy and accelerate implementation of the WHO FCTC and the accession to the WHO FCTC Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products as soon as possible	Submit to the Regional Committee a mid-term review of progress in implementing the regional tobacco control strategy in 2021 as well as a final report at the end of its implementation period in 2023	No			√	
EM/RC65/R.1 2018	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2017 6.1 Take the necessary steps to finalize the draft noncommunicable disease surveillance system training package as a tool to support Member States in implementation of the WHO global monitoring framework, to enable evaluation of progress towards achieving the global voluntary targets for the prevention and control of major noncommunicable diseases	NA	No			✓	
EM/RC65/R.4 2018	Institutionalizing the Health in All Policies approach	NA	Yes				
EM/RC66/R.1 2019	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2018 5.1 Implement the regional framework for action on acute rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease in countries of the Region, to ensure effective prevention and control of rheumatic heart disease in the Region	NA	No			√	

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				Reporting related to ongoing efforts for the eradication or elimination of diseases	Standing items on the agendas because of their strategic relevance to the governing bodies		
EM/RC66/R.1 2019	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2018 5.2 Implement the regional nutrition strategy, 2020–2030	NA	No			√	
EM/RC66/R.1 2019	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2018 6.1 Provide technical support to countries in implementing the regional framework for action on acute rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease	NA	No			√	
EM/RC66/R.1 2019	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2018 6.2 Provide technical support to countries in implementing the regional nutrition strategy, 2020–2030	NA	No			✓	
EM/RC66/R.1 2019	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2018 6.4 Engage in evidence-based advocacy for the right to health of everyone in the Region, and advise on the health sector's contribution to peace-building	NA	Yes				
EM/RC66/R.2 2019	Regional implementation framework on ending preventable newborn, child and adolescent deaths and improving health and development	Report on progress made in implementing the regional framework to the 68th and 70th sessions of the Regional Committee	Yes				
EM/RC66/R.6 2019	Accelerating regional implementation of the Political Declaration of the Third High-level Meeting of the General Assembly on the Prevention and Control of Noncommunicable Diseases, 2018	Report on the progress made by Member States in the prevention and control of NCDs to the 68th and 70th sessions of the Regional Committee	No			✓	
EM/RC66/R.7 2019	Regional framework for action to strengthen the public health response to substance use	Report on progress made in implementing the regional framework to the 68th and 70th sessions of the Regional Committee, with a final report to the 72nd session	Yes				

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				Reporting related to ongoing efforts for the eradication or elimination of diseases	Standing items on the agendas because of their strategic relevance to the governing bodies		
EM/RC50/R.13 2003	Foundation for the State of Kuwait Prize for the Control of Cancer, Cardiovascular Diseases and Diabetes in the Eastern Mediterranean Region		No		✓		
EM/RC58/R.3 2011	Strategic directions for scaling up research for health in the Eastern Mediterranean Region	NA	No		√		
EM/RC60/R.1 2013	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2012 and progress reports 5.4 Contribute to the improvement of the planning cycle by improving the mechanisms of monitoring and evaluation of progress on agreed commitments	NA	Yes				
EM/RC60/R.7 2013	Regional strategy for the improvement of civil registration and vital statistics systems 2014–2019	Monitor and report to the Regional Committee the progress achieved in the implementation of the strategy every two years until 2019	No			✓	
EM/RC61/R.1 2014	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2013 9.1 Continue his efforts to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of WHO programme management tools and compliance instruments across the Region in order to further promote transparency and provide more effective technical support to Member States	NA	No			✓	
EM/RC61/R.1 2014	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2013 9.2 Advocate for the implementation of a full staff rotation and mobility scheme across the Organization, and not only within the Region	NA	Yes				
EM/RC62/R.1 2015	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2015 4.2 Accelerate action to improve quality of civil registration and vital statistics, and especially cause-of-death registration, in light of the assessments conducted in collaboration with WHO	NA	Yes				
EM/RC65/R.1 2018	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2017 5.6 Adopt and implement the WHO recommendations on medical certification of cause of death	NA	Yes				

Pillar 4. Transforming WHO							
Resolution code/year	Title	Specific reporting requirements	Recommend for sunsetting (yes/no)	In case of no, specify which item(s) from the exemption criteria with reference to the WHO reform			
				Reporting related to ongoing efforts for the eradication or elimination of diseases	Standing items on the agendas because of their strategic relevance to the governing bodies		
EM/RC65/R.1 2018	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2017 6.6 Continue to provide technical support to Member States in implementing WHO recommendations on medical certification of cause of death	NA	Yes				
EM/RC65/R.2 2018	Regional approach to implementing the Thirteenth General Programme of Work, 2019–2023	Report on progress made in implementing this resolution at the 67th, 69th and 70th sessions of the Regional Committee	Yes				
EM/RC66/R.5 2019	Developing national institutional capacity for evidence-informed policy-making for health	Report on progress made in implementing the framework to the 68th and 70th sessions of the Regional Committee, and present a final report to the 72nd session in 2025	No			✓	