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Dear Prof Guekht,

On behalf of the Director-General I am pleased to inform you that at its 146<sup>th</sup> session in February 2020, the Executive Board of the World Health Organization (WHO) decided to maintain International League against Epilepsy (ILAE) in official relations with WHO. In making the decision, the Executive Board commended the continuing dedication of your entity in supporting the work of WHO. Please find attached a copy of the decision (Document EB146 (2)).

Our colleague Tarun Dua (duat@who.int), from the Department of Mental Health and Substance Use, serves as the WHO designated technical officer (DTO) for our official relations. In this capacity Dr Dua is the focal point for effective implementation of the agreed activities, co-development and validation of annual reports and sharing of information with relevant departments within WHO.

Kindly note that implementation will be reviewed by the Executive Board in January 2023, according to the triennial schedule.

I look forward to our continuing collaboration towards WHO's mission to promote health, keep the world safe and serve the vulnerable.

Yours sincerely,

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ENCL: Decision EB146(2) – EB146(35) annex 2

cc: Director of Department and DTO

## **Non-State actors in official relations with WHO**

The Executive Board, having examined the report on Engagement with non-State actors: non-State actors in official relations with WHO, including the review of one third of the non-State actors in official relations with WHO,<sup>1</sup>

(1) decided:

to admit into official relations with WHO the following non-State actors: Fundación Anesvad, The Clinton Health Access Initiative, Inc. and World Association for Sexual Health;

to discontinue official relations with the following non-State actors: International Occupational Hygiene Association, Human Rights in Mental Health – FGIP and International Alliance of Women: Equal Rights Equal Responsibilities;

(2) noted with appreciation the collaboration with WHO of the 66 non-State actors listed in Annex 2 to document EB146/35, commended their continuing contribution to the work of WHO, and decided to renew them in official relations with WHO;

(3) further noted that a plan for collaboration with the International Rescue Committee has yet to be agreed, and decided to defer the review of relations with the entity until the 148th session of the Board in January 2021, at which time reports should be presented to the Board on the agreed plan for collaboration and on the status of relations.

Third meeting, 4 February 2020  
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<sup>1</sup> Document EB146/35.

## ANNEX 2

**NON-STATE ACTORS IN OFFICIAL RELATIONS UNDERGOING  
A TRIENNIAL REVIEW OF THEIR COLLABORATION WITH WHO**

1. Alzheimer's Disease International
2. American Society for Reproductive Medicine
3. Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
4. Commonwealth Pharmacists Association
5. Corporate Accountability
6. CropLife International
7. Drugs for Neglected Diseases initiative
8. Family Health International
9. Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition
10. Global Health Council
11. Grand Challenges Canada
12. Handicap International Federation
13. Health on the Net Foundation
14. HelpAge International
15. International Association for Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, and Allied Professions
16. International Association for Suicide Prevention
17. International Association for the Scientific Study of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
18. International Baby Food Action Network
19. International Bureau for Epilepsy
20. International Commission on Occupational Health
21. International Committee for Monitoring Assisted Reproductive Technologies
22. International Confederation of Midwives
23. International Council for Commonality in Blood Banking Automation Inc.
24. International Ergonomics Association
25. International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics
26. International Federation on Ageing
27. International Insulin Foundation
28. International Lactation Consultant Association
29. International League Against Epilepsy
30. International Network of Women Against Tobacco
31. International Pediatric Association
32. International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War
33. International Planned Parenthood Federation

34. International Psycho-Oncology Society
35. International Society for Biomedical Research on Alcoholism
36. International Society for Prosthetics and Orthotics
37. International Society of Andrology
38. International Spinal Cord Society
39. International Union for Health Promotion and Education
40. International Union of Nutritional Sciences
41. International Union of Psychological Science
42. International Women's Health Coalition
43. IntraHealth International Inc.
44. Iodine Global Network
45. Italian Association of Friends of Raoul Follereau
46. Knowledge Ecology International
47. Lifting the Burden
48. Médecins Sans Frontières International
49. Medical Women's International Association
50. Medicines for Europe
51. Medicines Patent Pool Foundation
52. Multiple Sclerosis International Federation
53. Save the Children
54. Stichting Health Action International
55. The Fred Hollows Foundation
56. The International Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect
57. The Population Council, Inc.
58. World Association of Echinococcosis
59. World Confederation for Physical Therapy
60. World Federation for Mental Health
61. World Federation of Neurology
62. World Federation of Neurosurgical Societies
63. World Federation of Occupational Therapists
64. World Federation of the Deaf
65. World Obesity Federation
66. World Psychiatric Association

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