World Health

Agenda item 27



Aligning the participation of Palestine in the World Health Organization with its participation in the United Nations

The Seventy-seventh World Health Assembly,

Bearing in mind United Nations General Assembly resolution 52/250 adopted on 7 July 1998 entitled "Participation of Palestine in the work of the United Nations", resolution WHA53.13 adopted on 20 May 2000 entitled "Aligning the participation of Palestine in the World Health Organization with its participation in the United Nations", and United Nations General Assembly resolution ES-10/23 adopted on 10 May 2024 entitled "Admission of new Members to the United Nations",

DECIDES, without setting a precedent, to confer upon Palestine in the World Health Assembly and other meetings of the World Health Organization, in its capacity as an observer State, the following rights and privileges, without prejudice to its existing rights and privileges:

- (1) the right to be seated among Member States in alphabetical order;
- (2) the right of inscription on the list of speakers under agenda items other than Palestinian and Middle East issues in the order in which it signifies its desire to speak;
- (3) the right to make statements on behalf of a group, including among representatives of major groups;
- (4) the right to submit proposals and amendments and introduce them, including orally, including on behalf of a group;
- (5) the right to co-sponsor proposals and amendments, including on behalf of a group;
- (6) the right to make explanations of vote on behalf of the States Members of a group;
- (7) the right of reply regarding positions of a group;
- (8) the right to raise procedural motions, including points of order and requests to put proposals to the vote, including the right to challenge the decision of the presiding officer, including on behalf of a group;
- (9) the right to propose items to be included in the provisional agenda of the regular or special sessions and the right to request the inclusion of supplementary or additional items in the agenda of regular or special sessions;

- (10) the right of members of the delegation of Palestine to be elected as officers in the plenary and the main committees of the Health Assembly;
- (11) the right to full and effective participation in meetings convened under the auspices of the Health Assembly;
- (12) Palestine, in its capacity as an observer State, does not have the right to vote in the Health Assembly or to put forward its candidature to WHO's organs.

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