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PREFACE

In 1979, the Thirty-second World Health Assembly launched the Global Strategy for health for all by the year 2000 by adopting resolution WHA32.30. In this resolution the Health Assembly endorsed the Report and Declaration of the International Conference on Primary Health Care, held in Alma-Ata, USSR, in 1978. In the same resolution, the Health Assembly invited the Member States of WHO to act individually in formulating national policies, strategies and plans of action for attaining this goal, and collectively in formulating regional and global strategies, using as a basis the guiding principles issued by WHO's Executive Board in the document entitled Formulating Strategies for Health for All by the Year 2000. A large number of countries in all regions have since formulated national strategies, and all regions have drafted regional strategies. The Global Strategy that follows has been based on the Alma-Ata Report and Declaration and the Executive Board's guiding principles; it reflects the national and regional strategies as seen from a global perspective. It also responds to resolution 34/58 of the United Nations General Assembly concerning health as an integral part of development, which was adopted in November 1979.

This Global Strategy for health for all by the year 2000 was adopted by the Thirty-fourth World Health Assembly in resolution WHA34.36, which reads as follows:

The Thirty-fourth World Health Assembly,

Recalling WHO's constitutional objective of the attainment by all peoples of the highest possible level of health, the Declaration of Alma-Ata, and resolutions WHA30.43, WHA32.30, and WHA33.24 concerning health for all by the year 2000 and the formulation of strategies for attaining that goal, as well as resolution 34/58 of the United Nations General Assembly concerning health as an integral part of development;

Having reviewed the Strategy submitted to it by the Executive Board in the document entitled "Global strategy for health for all by the year 2000";

Considering this Strategy to be an invaluable basis for attaining the goal of health for all by the year 2000 through the solemnly agreed, combined efforts of governments, people and WHO;

1. **ADOPTS** the Global Strategy for health for all by the year 2000;
2. **PLEDGES** WHO's total commitment to the fulfilment of its part in this solemn agreement for health;
3. **DECIDES** that the Health Assembly will monitor the progress and evaluate the effectiveness of the Strategy at regular intervals;
4. **INVITES** Member States:
 - (1) to enter into this solemn agreement for health of their own volition, to formulate or strengthen, and implement, their strategies for health for all accordingly, and to monitor their progress and evaluate their effectiveness, using appropriate indicators to this end;
 - (2) to enlist the involvement of people in all walks of life, including individuals, families, communities, all categories of health workers, non-governmental organizations, and other associations of people concerned;
5. **REQUESTS** the Executive Board:
 - (1) to prepare without delay a plan of action for the immediate implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the Strategy, and submit it, in the light of the observations of the regional committees, to the Thirty-fifth World Health Assembly;
 - (2) to monitor and evaluate the Strategy at regular intervals;
 - (3) to formulate the Seventh and subsequent General Programmes of Work as WHO's support to the Strategy;

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