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COORDINATION QUESTIONS: MULTISECTORAL
COLLABORATION ON TOBACCO OR HEALTH

United States of America: draft resolution

Tobacco or health

The Economic and Social Council

Recalling its resolutions 1993/79 of 30 July 1993 and 1994/47 of 29 July 1994 and World Health Assembly resolutions WHA45.20 of 13 May 1992 and WHA46.8 of 10 May 1993,

Taking note with appreciation of the report of the Secretary-General on progress made in the implementation of multisectoral collaboration on tobacco or health, 1/

Noting the adoption by the World Health Assembly of resolution WHA48.11 of 12 May 1995, in which the Assembly requests the Director-General of the World Health Organization to study the feasibility of developing an international instrument, such as guidelines, a declaration or an international convention on tobacco control to be adopted by the United Nations, taking into account existing trade and other conventions and treaties,

1. Congratulates the World Health Organization, the United Nations Children's Fund, the World Bank and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations for restricting even further the use of tobacco on their premises in furtherance of World Health Assembly resolution WHA46.8;

1/ E/1995/67 and Add.1.

2. Welcomes the recent decisions taken by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees to make their offices smoke free in furtherance of World Health Assembly resolution WHA46.8;

3. Expresses its concern and dismay that some United Nations offices in Geneva and New York have not implemented the smoking ban in their buildings, despite the request of the World Health Assembly in its resolution WHA46.8, and strongly urges that they do so on an urgent basis and in any event before the end of 1995;

4. Urges any other body of the United Nations system that has not yet done so to comply with World Health Assembly resolution WHA46.8 before the end of 1995;

5. Urges the United Nations system focal point on tobacco or health to intensify his dialogue with organizations of the United Nations system and Member States in order to strengthen tobacco control policies;

6. Encourages organizations of the United Nations system to respond to the requests of the United Nations system focal point for further action to eliminate the negative impact of tobacco on those organizations and their employees;

7. Encourages Member States to provide the United Nations system focal point with responses to his requests for information on tobacco control policy;

8. Calls upon Member States, bilateral and non-governmental organizations and organizations of the United Nations system to provide the necessary technical and financial resources to enable the United Nations system focal point to carry out his mandate in an effective manner;

9. Requests the Secretary-General to ensure that the United Nations system focal point continues to address effectively all the issues raised in Economic and Social Council resolutions 1993/79 and 1994/47 and World Health Assembly resolution WHA48.11;

10. Also requests the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1997 on progress made by the United Nations system focal point in the implementation of multisectoral collaboration on tobacco or health.
