

Western Pacific Region Constituency Statement

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1. The 6th Replenishment of Resources

The Western Pacific Region (WPR) Constituency wishes to extend its sincere appreciation to France for the success of the 6th Replenishment of Resources Conference that took place in Lyon, France, from October 9 to 10, 2019. We commend President Macron's leadership in organizing and hosting this important conference.

Furthermore, the WPR Constituency expresses its gratitude to all donors who have pledged to contribute 14.02 Billion US dollars for the next funding cycle of 2020-2022. This signifies that international solidarity is working in order to eliminate the three diseases: HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.

The WPR Constituency thanks the Board Leadership, the Executive Director and the Secretariat of the Global Fund as well as the representatives of Key Affected communities for their hard works in fulfilling their responsibilities with dedication and efficiency leading up to the successful replenishment of the Global Fund resources.

2. Source of funds for 2020-2022 allocation period

The WPR Constituency approves the allocation methodology in which 890 million US dollars are made available for the catalytic investment and 12.71 billion US dollars for country allocation for the 2020-2022 allocation period. We strongly recommend that high disease burden countries should gain more supports from the Global Fund to enable them to reach the eradication phase of the three diseases in 2030 as suggested by the world health communities.

However, the lower middle impact countries should not be left behind. We strongly recommend that the Global Fund invest more into the Resilience and Sustainability of Health System to ensure that countries can sustain their health system when external funding reduces. Additionally, we resolutely recommend that some challenges such as good governance and human rights should be addressed through improved engagement of civil society.

3. Evolving the wambo.org pilot for non-Global Fund financed orders

The WPR Constituency recognizes the importance of evolving wambo.org pilot and supports the evolution of wambo.org pilot. In connection with the evolution of the wambo.org pilot, we recommend that wambo.org be made available for non-Global Fund financed orders by governments and non-government development organizations in Global Fund-eligible and transitioned countries, for all products, services and functionalities as they become available on wambo.org.

WPR Constituency recognizes that training is needed in some countries to use the wambo.org platform well and to customize the goods to meet the diversified demand of the countries.

4. OIG and Secretariat to work together to improve the accuracy of country data and inventory management

The WPR Constituency encourages the OIG and the Secretariat to work hand in hand to continue the improvement of country data accuracy and inventory management including the improvement on country supply chains. We believe that data accuracy and sound inventory management in addition to the good quality of human resources will tremendously help strengthen the country health system.

5. Sustainability and Transition

The WPR Constituency notes with appreciation the works done by the TRP and agrees with its recommendations that:

- Sustainability planning should take place for all countries so that funding request focus on financial and programmatic sustainability, greater use of national system, and mechanism for sustaining services for key populations long before transition.
- Planning should be undertaken early.

The WPR Constituency believes that in the course of grant implementation, the Global Fund, working in concert with other partners such as WHO, UNAIDS, PEPFAR, PMI should encourage all governments to develop an early Sustainable and Transition strategy from the primary stage of planning to the final phase of implementation. We recommend that technical assistance be provided to any government which has demonstrated its leadership and ownership at every step of the process. We believe that the Global Fund, other donors and the country government can work together in a joint technical working group to monitor the progress of the strategy's implementation.

6. CCM evolution

- a. The WPR Constituency is satisfied with the results and findings of Phase 1 and we support the plan for further roll out.
- b. The WPR Constituency is concerned about the sustainability of the gain made under this initiative. It is important that Global Fund works with country to ensure the sustainability of CCM in fulfilling its responsibilities.
- c. The WPR Constituency is looking forward to the next phase of CCM evolution initiative.

7. Governance culture

- a. The WPR Constituency agrees with the suggested outline for the phase 2 of the governance culture initiative.
- b. The WPR Constituency will bring those suggested outlines for the phase 2 to the CCM for consideration and further action.