

Amendment to the International Health Regulations (2005)

The Director-General of the World Health Organization presents her compliments to States Parties to the International Health Regulations (2005) and has the honour to refer to resolution WHA67.13 of 24 May 2014 (copy enclosed), by which the Sixty-seventh World Health Assembly adopted the updated Annex 7 of the Regulations.

In accordance with paragraph 3 of Article 55 as well as Article 59 of the International Health Regulations (2005), this circular letter constitutes a formal notification of the amendment to Annex 7 of the International Health Regulations (2005), of which a certified true copy is enclosed.

Pursuant to paragraph 3 of Article 55 and paragraph 2 of Article 59 of the International Health Regulations (2005), the updated Annex 7 shall enter into force 24 months after the date of the present notification, i.e. on 11 July 2016.

Any State Party intending to reject or to make reservations to the amendment, as provided in Articles 61 and 62 of the International Health Regulations (2005), may notify the Director-General accordingly within a period of 18 months from the date of the present notification, expiring on 11 January 2016. In accordance with paragraph 1 of Article 59, any rejection or reservation received thereafter shall have no effect.

Any State Party intending to make a declaration concerning its domestic legislative and administrative arrangements pursuant to paragraph 3 of Article 59 of the Regulations, may similarly submit such a declaration to the Director-General within a period of 18 months from the date of the present notification, expiring on 11 January 2016.

The Director-General takes this opportunity to renew to States Parties to the International Health Regulations (2005) the assurance of her highest consideration.

Encl (1)

GENEVA, 11 July 2014