

of the document have been brought into line with the overall strategy of health for all by the year 2000. Targets have been expressed in terms of goals to be achieved in accordance with individual countries' priorities and availability of resources.

Despite the outburst during the final discussion of the chapter, consensus language was found and the document was adopted by the PrepCom with brackets only around language on technology transfer pending resolution of this issue in the technology transfer chapter.

OUTCOME AND ASSESSMENT

While the chapter on human health does not move the issue forward in a substantive way it has achieved the purpose of putting health solidly into Agenda 21. Discussions on the subject gave delegations an opportunity to work cooperatively on a non-contentious issue. This process was important to the PrepCom and helped lay the ground for consensus on other more contentious issues such as population and consumption.

Since the chapter has been unanimously adopted without square brackets, it will not need to come up for discussion in Rio. It will be important, however, in discussing the means of implementation of Agenda 21 to clarify how follow-up on the health chapter will be achieved and monitored.

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