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The Director-General of the World Health Organization (WHO) presents his compliments to Member States and regional economic integration organizations, and has the honour to refer to decision WHA75(9) 2022, which revised the name of the Working Group on Strengthening WHO Preparedness and Response to Health Emergencies to the Working Group on Amendments to the International Health Regulations (2005) (WGIHR) and revised the mandate to work exclusively on the consideration of proposed targeted amendments to the IHR (2005), consistent with decision EB150(3) (2022), for consideration by the Seventy-seventh World Health Assembly in 2024.

Member States are informed that the eighth meeting of the WGIHR will be held on 22–26 April 2024 in a hybrid format and will open at 09:30 (CEST) on Monday, 22 April 2024.

Two persons per delegation may be physically present in the meeting room at WHO headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland, with other members of the delegation participating through the virtual platform. **To participate in person, INDICO registration will be required using the following link: <https://indico.un.org/e/WGIHR8> no later than 19 April 2024.**

To participate virtually renewed online registration will not be required for Member States who have previously registered for the seventh meeting of the WGIHR (5–9 February 2024). In that regard, WHO will view Member States' credentials submitted during the registration process for the seventh meeting as remaining valid for the purposes of registration for the eighth meeting, unless informed otherwise by email to hqgoverningbodies@who.int no later than 19 April 2024.

Member States who did not register for the seventh meeting or who wish to revise their list of delegates for virtual participation may send an email to hqgoverningbodies@who.int no later than 19 April 2024. To fast track the processing of requests, Member States are invited to list in the body of the email the delegate(s) who should be added or removed in the following format: email address, Member State, name (first name, and surname of the delegate). A note verbale is not required for the purposes of updating the list of delegates for virtual participation.

Following registration, a personalized link to access the virtual platform will be sent to all delegates in the days preceding the meeting.

Registrations sent after the deadline may cause a delay in the receipt of a link to participate in the meeting.

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The documentation for the meeting will be published at the following link:
<https://apps.who.int/gb/wgih/> as soon as available in the six official languages.

The Director-General of the World Health Organization takes this opportunity to renew to Member States and regional economic integration organizations the assurance of his highest consideration.

GENEVA, 27 March 2024