

Detailed list of resolutions of the Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean (2000–2011) and recommended action, by strategic priority area

Strategic priority area (2012–2016)	Resolution no.	Year	Title	Recommended action			Implications of recommended action
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Health system strengthening	EM/RC47/R.7	2000	The implications of GATT and WTO agreements on health in general	√			Retiring the resolution will not have implications for work in the area of trade in health services, which remains an integral part of the overall approach to health system strengthening.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC47/R.8	2000	Quality assurance and improvement in health systems with special reference to primary health care: a shared responsibility		√		Periodic reporting is required. Partnership with civil society and resource mobilization are required to sustain quality assessment/ improvement (QA/I) in primary health care. Countries should be assisted to adapt QA/I of primary health care facilities and implement as a priority while moving towards universal health coverage.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC48/R.3	2001	Health systems development	√			Superseded by resolution EM/RC59/R3 (2012).
Health system strengthening	EM/RC49/R.9	2002	Traditional medicine		√		Requested actions completed and reporting requirements met. Inputs provided into WHO Traditional Medicine/Complementary and Alternative Medicine (TM/CAM) Strategy 2014–2023. Ongoing action includes harmonization of TM/CAM regulations in GCC countries.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC49/R.11	2002	Health professions			√	Includes actions relevant to regional strategic priorities, in line with

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			education				resolution EM/RC59/R3 (2012), which requires regular biannual reporting to the Regional Committee. Funding is reflected in the operational planning for 2014–2015 as a new regional adviser for health professions education has been recruited to support Member States to establish a national system for health professions education accreditation and establishment of a system for family practice involving education, services and regulation.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC50/R.9	2003	Accreditation of hospitals and medical education institutions	v			Superseded by resolution EM/RC556/R6 (2009), providing an update on the same issue.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC50/R.12	2003	Primary health care: 25 years after Alma-Ata			v	Periodic reporting required for progress in primary health care and on actions towards achieving health-for-all goals. Sustainable funding mechanisms to be identified in support of periodic in-depth review until supervision and monitoring elements are institutionalized as part of the health system
Health system strengthening	EM/RC51/R.6	2004	The impact of health expenditure on households and options for alternative financing	v			Superseded by resolution EM/RC57/R7 (2010).

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Health system strengthening	EM/RC51/R.7	2004	Health systems priorities in the Eastern Mediterranean Region: challenges and strategic directions	✓			Superseded by resolution EM/RC59/R3 (2012).
Health system strengthening	EM/RC52/R.4	2005	Regional strategy for enhancing patient safety			✓	Includes actions relevant to regional strategic priorities, with undefined funding mechanism. Additional resource mobilization is required for technical follow up and implementation.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC53/R.7	2006	Medical devices and equipment in contemporary health care systems and services		✓		Includes actions relevant to regional strategic priorities, in line with resolution EM/RC59/R3 (2012), which called for health technology assessment. The following sub-sections of the resolution are yet to be completed: Establish a task force on assessment, selection and management of medical devices; Advocate for unimpeded transfer of technology between countries.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC53/R.8	2006	The role of government in health development			✓	Includes actions relevant to regional strategic priorities, with undefined funding mechanism. Additional resource mobilization is required for follow up and implementation.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC53/R.12	2006	Draft regional guidelines on stability testing of active substances and pharmaceutical	✓			Requested actions completed and reporting requirements met (WHO technical report series, No.953, 2009 – annex 2).

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Health system strengthening	EM/RC54/R.7	2007	Medicine prices and access to medicines in the Eastern Mediterranean Region	✓			Requested actions completed and reporting requirements met. Part of global pricing survey initiative was completed. The Saudi Food and Drug Administration is currently managing price database of GCC with the World Bank. Noncommunicable disease medicines price surveys are under way in two Member States.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC55/R.2	2008	Commitment to health systems based on primary health care in the Eastern Mediterranean Region			✓	Includes actions relevant to regional strategic priorities, in line with resolution EM/RC59/R3 (2012). It was reinforced by Qatar Declaration in 2009. In 2012, a Primary Health Care unit was established to support work towards universal health coverage. Additional resource mobilization is required for technical follow up and implementation.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC55/R.5	2008	Promoting nursing and midwifery development in the Eastern Mediterranean Region			✓	Includes actions relevant to regional strategic priorities, in line with resolution EM/RC59/R3 (2012). A new regional strategy for nursing and midwifery 2012–2020 was formulated in line with the global strategic directions for strengthening nursing and midwifery services 2011–2015 and is used as a guiding framework for developing nursing and midwifery services in the Region.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC56/R.6	2009	Improving hospital performance in the Eastern Mediterranean			✓	Includes actions relevant to regional strategic priorities, in line with resolution EM/RC59/R3 (2012), but funding is an issue. Regular funding is currently available in support of one

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			Region			position but no budgetary allocations in support of activities. Additional resource mobilization is required for technical follow up and implementation.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC56/R.10	2009	A World Health Organization code of practice on the international recruitment of health personnel			Includes actions relevant to regional strategic priorities, in line with resolution EM/RC59/R3 (2012). Additional resource mobilization is required for convening national and regional consultations. Follow up in the Regional Office is slow because of shortage of staff in the health workforce development team.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC57/R.7	2010	Strategic directions to improve health care financing in the Eastern Mediterranean Region: moving towards universal coverage 2011-2015			Includes actions relevant to regional strategic priorities, in line with resolution EM/RC59/R3 (2012). Continuous follow up with member states is needed to develop health care financing strategies to move towards universal health coverage.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC48/R.6	2001	Health and medical informatics in the Eastern Mediterranean Region			Includes a generic set of actions. There is need for clear distinction between the two areas covered in the resolution: health “information” and “informatics”. Work is currently ongoing in both areas: health information systems and eHealth;

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Health system strengthening	EM/RC48/R.8	2001	Renewed health research for development in the Eastern Mediterranean Region			v	This is a cross-cutting area related to regional strategic priorities. Continue to implement through the Department of Information, Evidence and Research, as part of the Research Policy and Cooperation unit's work. One of the main recommendations in this resolution is the allocation of 2% of the country programme budget to research for health.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC51/R.11	2004	Development and use of genomics and biotechnology for public health			v	This is a cross-cutting area related to regional strategic priorities. Will continue to implement through the Department of Information, Evidence and Research, as part of the Research Policy and Cooperation unit's work. A clear direction is needed regarding the "Research in applied biotechnology and genomics in health" grant, which has been the main achievement in response to this resolution. Other partnerships in this area may also prove beneficial
Health system strengthening	EM/RC52/R.10	2005	Islamic charter of medical and health ethics	v			Requested actions completed. The charter was developed as per the recommendation of the Regional Committee.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC52/R.12	2005	Report of the Eastern Mediterranean Advisory Committee on Health Research twenty-first meeting	v			Relevant to a specific event/incident: the 21st meeting of the Eastern Mediterranean Advisory Committee on Health Research (ACHR). As part of the review of the role of ACHR, a review could be made of the implementation of recommendations of the ACHR for a defined period.

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Health system strengthening	EM/RC53/R.10	2006	Regional strategy for knowledge management to support public health			√	Includes actions relevant to regional strategic priorities. The strategy it refers to runs from 2006 to 2013 thus should be reviewed and amended with funding defined.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC54/R.6	2007	Use and potential of geographic information systems for health mapping in the Eastern Mediterranean Region		√		This is a cross-cutting area related to regional strategic priorities. As only some of the requested actions have been completed, it should be revised/updated according to the current situation and actions implemented to date.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC54/R.7	2007	Report of the Eastern Mediterranean Advisory Committee on Health Research-twenty-second meeting	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC55/R.4	2008	Report of the Eastern Mediterranean Advisory Committee on Health Research-twenty-third meeting	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident.

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Health system strengthening	EM/RC55/R.7	2008	Bridging the gap between health researchers and policy-makers in the Eastern Mediterranean Region			v	This is a cross-cutting area related to regional strategic priorities. Will continue to implement through the Department of Information, Evidence and Research, as part of the Research Policy and Cooperation unit's work.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC56/R.9	2009	Report of the Eastern Mediterranean Advisory Committee on Health Research twenty-fourth meeting	v			Relevant to a specific event/incident.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC58/R.3	2011	Strategic directions for scaling up research for health in the Eastern Mediterranean Region			v	This is a cross-cutting area related to regional strategic priorities. Will continue to implement through the Department of Information, Evidence and Research, as part of the Research Policy and Cooperation unit's work.
Health system strengthening	EM/RC58/R.9	2011	Report of the Eastern Mediterranean Advisory Committee on Health Research twenty-fifth meeting			v	Relevant to a specific event/incident.
	32 (100%)			13 (41%)	4 (12%)	15 (47%)	

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Promoting health through the life course	EM/RC47/R.9	2000	Safety promotion in the use of hazardous material	√			A new regional strategy on health and the environment will be presented to the 60th session of the Regional Committee.
Promoting health through the life course	EM/RC49/R.8	2002	Health effects of environmental conditions		√		The new regional strategy on health and the environment to be presented to the 60th session of the Regional Committee may have implications for the actions recommended in the resolution.
Promoting health through the life course	EM/RC50/R.14	2003	Healthy environments for children		√		May be revised/updated with defined funding mechanism in line with the 12th GPW 2014–2019
Promoting health through the life course	EM/RC55/R.8	2008	Climate change and health			√	Still needed to guide countries to be better prepared and able to respond and mitigate the impact of climate change on health. A monitoring system exists with the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change.
Promoting health through the life course	EM/RC58/R.10	2011	Public health pesticides			√	Elimination of DDT is complete for the first seven countries of the Region. The resolution is still valid for the remaining countries. A monitoring system is in place along with guidance to sustain elimination of DDT in countries.
Promoting health through the life course	EM/RC47/R.10	2000	Infant and young child nutrition	√			Superseded by EM/RC57/R.4 (2010) when the regional strategy on nutrition 2010-2019 was endorsed.

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Promoting health through the life course	EM/RC48/R.7	2001	Healthy lifestyles promotion	√			Superseded by resolution EM/RC52/R8 (2005).
Promoting health through the life course	EM/RC48/R.10	2001	Violence control, perspectives and directions of action in the Eastern Mediterranean Region	√			Includes a generic set of actions and no reporting mechanism, endorsed prior to the WHO World Report on Violence and Health. Superseded by resolution WHA56.24 on “Implementing the recommendations of the World report on violence and health”.
Promoting health through the life course	EM/RC49/R.6	2002	Vision 2020: The Right to Sight– Elimination of Avoidable Blindness	√			Superseded by resolution EM/RC59/R5 (2012).
Promoting health through the life course	EM/RC49/R.12	2002	Micronutrient deficiency disorders	√			Superseded by resolution EM/RC57/R4 (2010).
Promoting health through the life course	EM/RC50/R.7	2003	Investing in health of the poor: regional strategy for sustainable health development and poverty reduction	√			Superseded by WHA65/R.8 (2012) “Outcome of the World Conference on Social Determinants of Health”
Promoting health through the life course	EM/RC50/R.10	2003	Health care of the elderly in the Eastern Mediterranean Region: challenges and perspectives	√			Requested actions completed.
Promoting health through	EM/RC51/R.4	2004	Moving towards the Millennium	√			Superseded by resolution EM/RC59/R5 (2012).

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the life course			Development Goals: investing in maternal and child health				
Promoting health through the life course	EM/RC52/R.3	2005	Prevention of avoidable blindness and visual impairment	√			Superseded by resolution EM/RC59/R5 (2012).
Promoting health through the life course	EM/RC52/R.8	2005	Regional strategy for health promotion		√		Valid until end 2013 with revision/update recommended in light of regional strategic priorities and newly generated evidence for health promotion in the Region, and in the context of resolution EM/RC59/R2 (2012).
Promoting health through the life course	EM/RC54/R.2	2007	Neonatal mortality in the Eastern Mediterranean Region: determinants and strategies for achieving Millennium Development Goal no. 4	√			Superseded by resolution EM/RC59/R5 (2012).
Promoting health through the life course	EM/RC54/R.9	2007	Food marketing to children and adolescents in the Eastern Mediterranean Region: implications for		√		Revision/update recommended in light of regional strategic priorities and newly generated evidence for prevention and control of noncommunicable diseases and according to UN Political Declaration. Addressing cross-

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			public health			border marketing is a priority.
Promoting health through the life course	EM/RC56/R.7	2009	Road traffic injuries: a growing public health concern			Includes actions relevant to regional strategic priorities and requires regular reporting to the Regional Committee. The existing monitoring tools include: global status reports on road safety and the regional documentation tool of country activities under the decade of action for road safety: 2011–2020.
Promoting health through the life course	EM/RC57/R.3	2010	Maternal, child and adolescent mental health: challenges and strategic directions 2010–2015			Superseded by resolution EM/RC58/R8 (2011).
Promoting health through the life course	EM/RC57/R.4	2010	Regional strategy on nutrition 2010–2019			Time-bound, remains active until 2019 and includes actions relevant to regional strategic priorities. A reporting system to monitor progress and inform way forward has been established using data generated from the Region.
Promoting health through the life course	EM/RC59/R.5	2012	Follow-up on regional action regarding Executive Board decision EB130(1) on implementation of the action plan for the prevention of avoidable			Technical support needs to be sustained and financial resources are necessary to implement the action plan in the coming biennium 2014–2015.

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			blindness and visual impairment				
	21 (100%)			12 (57%)	4 (19%)	5 (24%)	

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Noncommunicable diseases	EM/RC50/R.3	2003	Tobacco-Free Initiative			√	Includes actions relevant to regional strategic priorities, with support provided to the remaining Member States to achieve the desired goal of ratification (19 Member States have already ratified FCTC). Reporting on requested actions is done annually through the annual report and progress reports.
Noncommunicable diseases	EM/RC50/R.13	2003	Foundation for the State of Kuwait Prize for the Control of Cancer, Cardiovascular Diseases and Diabetes in the Eastern Mediterranean Region			√	Includes actions relevant to regional strategic priorities, with funding available from the Government of Kuwait. The award is offered on a biannual basis to acknowledge regional achievements made for the control of cancer, cardiovascular diseases and diabetes.
Noncommunicable diseases	EM/RC52/R.5	2005	Substance use and dependence	√			Superseded by resolution EM/RC58/R8 (2011).
Noncommunicable diseases	EM/RC52/R.7	2005	Noncommunicable diseases: challenges and strategic directions	√			Superseded by resolution EM/RC59/R2 (2012).
Noncommunicable	EM/RC53/R.5	2006	Public health	√			Superseded by resolution

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diseases			problems of alcohol consumption in the Eastern Mediterranean Region				EM/RC58/R8 (2011).
Noncommunicable diseases	EM/RC56/R.4	2009	Strategy for cancer prevention and control in the Eastern Mediterranean Region		√		The strategy ends by 2013 and has not been revised or updated. The resolution does not state reporting on progress. May consider complete sunset based on the UN Political Declaration and resolution EM/RC59/R.2 (2012).
Noncommunicable diseases	EM/RC58/R.8	2011	Strategy for mental health and substance abuse in the Eastern Mediterranean Region 2012–2016			√	Includes actions relevant to regional strategic priorities. Will continue to implement through the Department of Noncommunicable Diseases and Mental Health, as the primary strategic document to implement interventions in the areas of mental health and substance abuse (2012–2016).
	7 (100%)			3 (43%)	1 (14%)	3 (43%)	

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Communicable diseases	EM/RC47/R.4	2000	Development of communicable disease surveillance in the Region	√			Superseded by resolutions EM/RC/50/R.1 (2003), EM/RC/53/R.3 (2006), EM/RC/54/R.4 (2007), EM/RC/56/R. 5 (2009) and EM/RC58/R.4 (2011). Surveillance is expected to be covered by the core requirements of IHR (2005).
Communicable diseases	EM/RC47/R.5	2000	Rift Valley fever	√			Superseded by resolution EM/RC54/R.4 (2007).
Communicable diseases	EM/RC47/R.11	2000	Elimination of lymphatic filariasis in the Eastern Mediterranean Region			√	Concerns the elimination of lymphatic filariasis in targeted countries, including Sudan. Since Sudan has yet to achieve elimination, the resolution remains valid.
Communicable diseases	EM/RC48/R.4	2001	Regional strategic plan for improving the health sector response to HIV/AIDS and STD in the countries of the Eastern Mediterranean Region 2002–2005	√			Issued to support planning for the regional response to combat HIV/AIDS and STD 2002–2005. As the plan was developed there is no further need for this resolution.

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Communicable diseases	EM/RC49/R.1	2002	Annual Report of the Regional Director for the year 2001 and progress reports	√			Requested actions completed.
Communicable diseases	EM/RC49/R.10	2002	Antimicrobial Resistance and rational use of antimicrobial agents			√	Requested actions completed only for specific sub-sections of the resolutions. In April 2013 the Technical Advisory Committee to the Regional Director recommended a number of priority actions which the Regional Office is following up. These recommended priority actions are also in line with the resolution.
Communicable diseases	EM/RC50/R.4	2003	Eradication of poliomyelitis			√	Includes actions relevant to regional strategic priorities. Requires regular reporting to the Regional Committee.
Communicable diseases	EM/RC50/R.11	2003	Main challenges in the control of zoonotic diseases in the Eastern Mediterranean Region			√	Periodic reporting required. Emerging zoonotic diseases are the biggest threat to health security in the Region. A draft strategic framework for prevention and control of emerging zoonotic diseases was developed in 2013 in line with this resolution.
Communicable	EM/RC51/R.8	2004	Proposed revision	√			Actions completed in 2005. The

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diseases			of the International Health Regulations				new version is IHR (2005).
Communicable diseases	EM/RC51/R.10	2004	Vaccine development, accessibility and availability: towards self-sufficiency in the Eastern Mediterranean Region	√			Requested actions were completed with no further action due.
Communicable diseases	EM/RC52/R.6	2005	Integrated vector management			√	Periodic reporting required. Some countries have not yet developed a policy for integrated vector management. There is reported spread of other vector borne diseases, such as dengue fever, leishmaniasis and reemergence of malaria in some malaria free Member States.
Communicable diseases	EM/RC52/R.9	2005	Strengthening health sector response to HIV/AIDS and sexually transmitted infections in the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region: regional strategy 2006-2010	√			Health sector response was integrated by strengthening technical capacity to support Member States from policy to practice. A new regional strategy for 2009–2015 is in place.
Communicable diseases	EM/RC53/R.3	2006	Regional strategy on preparedness		√		Requested actions completed only for specific sub-sections of the

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			and response for human pandemic influenza			resolution. Some of the requested actions were time bound. The focus was on pandemic influenza and the risk was H5N1. The pandemic is over and no imminent threats from any novel influenza virus are anticipated. However, as the Regional Office is encouraging Member States to revise their pandemic influenza plans based on the experience of 2009 pandemic influenza, some parts of the resolution may still be valid and a revision is recommended.
Communicable diseases	EM/RC54/R.3	2007	Neglected tropical diseases: an emerging public health problem in the Eastern Mediterranean Region		√	Periodic reporting required. Verification of the ongoing actions on the newly reported cases of tropical diseases is needed.
Communicable diseases	EM/RC54/R.4	2007	Growing threat of viral haemorrhagic fevers in the Eastern Mediterranean Region: a call for action		√	Periodic reporting required. The resolution requests national plans for preparedness and capacity-building that have not yet been achieved, and requires reporting. Formation of regional network of experts and centres of excellence are still works in progress that requires policy support.
Communicable diseases	EM/RC55/R.6	2008	Regional strategy for the prevention and control of sexually transmitted infections 2009-		√	The strategy is valid until 2015. Limited funding is available and the Regional Office supports selected countries to implement components of the strategy. Nothing is outdated and there is no

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			2015				significant new evidence that would require a revision of the strategy. The Regional Office is currently preparing the report on the mid-term review of the implementation of the strategy (a survey among countries was carried out in early 2013 to collect these data). A final review should be carried out in 2015.
Communicable diseases	EM/RC55/R.9	2008	Malaria elimination in the Eastern Mediterranean Region: vision, requirements and strategic outline			v	Periodic reporting required. Funding is available in malaria endemic countries from the Global Fund and GCC to Yemen, and from national resources. Resolution requirements remain important, with priority to universal coverage of all populations at risk with effective diagnostic, treatment and prevention tools, and to support strengthening the surveillance system for tracking malaria cases directly impacting socioeconomic status of the people. This implementation will contribute towards achieving MDGs.
Communicable diseases	EM/RC56/R.2	2009	Follow-up to the Special Session of the Regional Committee on pandemic H1N1 2009 and progress on the response			v	Requested actions completed as stated.

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Communicable diseases	EM/RC56/R.5	2009	The growing threats of hepatitis B and C in the Eastern Mediterranean Region: a call for action			√	Valid until 2015. Requested actions ongoing.
Communicable diseases	EM/RC56/R.8	2009	Regional response to the emerging threat of multidrug-resistant tuberculosis and extensively drug-resistant tuberculosis			√	Periodic reporting required. A report was made to the Regional Committee in 2011 on the progress achieved.
Communicable diseases	EM/RC57/R.5	2010	Regional strategy for health sector response to HIV 2011-2015			√	Includes actions relevant to regional strategic priorities. Periodic reporting to the Regional Committee required.
Communicable diseases	EM/RC57/R.6	2010	Infection prevention and control in health care: time for collaborative action			√	Period reporting required. A regional expert group on infection prevention and control has been established, as per the resolution, to inform the Regional Director periodically on the progress of implementation of the resolutions on infection prevention and control.
Communicable diseases	EM/RC58/R.4	2011	Dengue: call for urgent interventions for a rapidly expanding			√	Periodic reporting to the Regional Committee required.

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			emerging disease				
Communicable diseases	EM/RC58/R.5	2011	Scaling up the Expanded Programme on Immunization to meet global and regional targets			√	This is an ongoing programme targeting full coverage of the population of the Region. Advocacy and immunization programmes both have been strengthened to achieve the MDGs.
	24 (100%)			8 (33%)	1 (4%)	15 (63%)	

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Emergency preparedness and response	EM/RC47/R.1	2000	Israeli aggression against Al Aqsa mosque and the health rights of the Palestinian people	√			Resolution relevant to a specific event/incident. The requested actions were completed.

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Emergency preparedness and response	EM/RC49/R.4	2002	Health and human security		v	Revision/update of the resolution is needed, with defined funding mechanism, to take into consideration the current context and changing environment in the Region. Any revision must also refer to any work that has been done since the adoption of the original statement and resolution. This resolution covers a critical cross-cutting issue relevant to regional strategic priorities, bringing together the areas of health and human rights, emergency and humanitarian action and social determinants of health.
Emergency preparedness and response	EM/RC49/R.7	2002	Health under difficult circumstances: the impact of war, disasters and sanctions on the health of populations in the Eastern Mediterranean Region		v	Superseded by resolutions RC52/R2 (2005) and RC57/R2 (2010), respectively.

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Emergency preparedness and response	EM/RC51/R.2	2004	Health conditions of the Arab population in Palestine			√	Includes actions relevant to regional strategic priorities. Will continue to implement through the Director of Programme Management, as part of the Emergency and Humanitarian Action unit's work, with regular reporting to the Regional Committee and requiring resource mobilization to cover the funding gap.
Emergency preparedness and response	EM/RC52/R.2	2005	Emergency preparedness and response	√			Superseded by resolution RC57/R2 (2010).
Emergency preparedness and response	EM/RC52/R.13	2005	Health conditions in the Palestinian occupied territory including east Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan Heights			√	Includes actions relevant to regional strategic priorities. Will continue to implement through the Director of Programme Management, as part of the Emergency and Humanitarian Action unit's work, with regular reporting to the Regional Committee and requiring funds for information management and field monitoring of the situation.
Emergency preparedness and response	EM/RC53/R.6	2006	Health conditions in Lebanon and the occupied Palestinian territory in the wake of recent Israeli aggression	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident. The requested actions were completed.

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Emergency preparedness and response	EM/RC57/R.2	2010	Emergency preparedness and response and regional emergency solidarity fund			√	Includes actions relevant to regional strategic priorities. Will continue to implement through the Director of Programme Management, as part of the Emergency and Humanitarian Action unit's work, with regular reporting to the Regional Committee and emphasizing the need for concrete action from Member States to meet their financial commitments in relation to the solidarity fund and the regional hub for logistics and supply management.
	8 (100%)			4 (50%)	1 (12%)	3 (38%)	

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Management	EM/RC47/R.2	2000	Annual report of the Regional Director for the year 1999 and the World Health Report 2000	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident. Furthermore, the specific areas mentioned in the report were followed by detailed technical papers/resolutions, as appropriate.
Management	EM/RC47/R.3	2000	Proposed Programme Budget for the financial period 2002–2003 Eastern Mediterranean Region	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident.
Management	EM/RC47/R.6	2000	Evaluation report of the Joint Government/WHO Programme Review Missions In 1999	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident.
Management	EM/RC47/R.12	2000	Acknowledgement	√			Requested actions completed in relation to WHO premises in Nasr City.
Management	EM/RC48/R.1	2001	Nomination of the Regional Director	√			Requested actions completed as requested following WHO rules and procedures. Decision on nomination was also updated in the revision of rules and procedures of the Regional Committee in 2012.

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Management	EM/RC48/R.2	2001	Annual report of the Regional Director for the year 2000 and progress reports	√		Relevant to a specific event/incident. Furthermore, the specific areas mentioned in the report were followed by detailed technical papers/resolutions, as appropriate.
Management	EM/RC48/R.5	2001	Review of the proposed Programme Budget (2004–2005): priorities for strategic aspects of country programmes	√		Relevant to a specific event/incident.
Management	EM/RC48/R.9	2001	Report of the Regional Consultative Committee (twenty-fifth meeting)	√		Relevant to a specific event/incident.
Management	EM/RC48/R.11	2001	Scale of assessments	√		Requested actions completed.
Management	EM/RC49/R.1	2002	Annual report of the Regional Director for the year 2001 and progress reports	√		Relevant to a specific event/incident (statutory meeting - RD's annual report). Furthermore, the specific areas mentioned in the report were followed by detailed technical papers/resolutions, as appropriate.
Management	EM/RC49/R.2	2002	Proposed Programme Budget: 2004-2005	√		Relevant to a specific event/incident.

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Management	EM/RC49/R.3	2002	Report of the Regional Consultative Committee (twenty–sixth meeting)	√			Superseded by an updated resolution in 2012 providing an update on the same issue.
Management	EM/RC49/R.5	2002	Evaluation report of the Joint Government/WHO Programme Review Missions in 2001			√	The resolution approved the JPRM process as valid instrument for operational planning at country level and urged Member States to develop country cooperation strategies and adopt results based management. These processes continue to be the main tools for the regional operational plans to date.
Management	EM/RC50/R1	2003	Annual report of the Regional Director for the Year 2002 and progress reports	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident. Furthermore, the specific areas mentioned in the report were followed by detailed technical papers/resolutions, as appropriate.
Management	EM/RC50/R.2	2003	Annual report of the Regional Director for the year 2002 and the TRIPS agreement and public health	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident. Furthermore, the specific recommendation mentioned in the resolution “proposed definition of public health” was relevant to the following Executive Board session, which has elapsed.
Management	EM/RC50/R.5	2003	Regular Budget allocations to Regions – evaluation of the model and its impact on regional	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident.

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			Programme Budget				
Management	EM/RC50/R.8	2003	Report of the Regional Consultative Committee (twenty-seventh meeting)	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident (statutory meeting).
Management	EM/RC51/R.1	2004	Annual report of the Regional Director for the year 2003 and progress reports	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident. Furthermore, the specific areas mentioned in the report were followed by detailed technical papers/resolutions, as appropriate.
Management	EM/RC51/R.3	2004	Proposed Programme Budget 2006–2007	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident.
Management	EM/RC51/R.5	2004	Report of the Regional Consultative Committee (twenty-eighth meeting)	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident (statutory meeting).
Management	EM/RC51/R.9	2004	Evaluation report of the Joint Government/WHO Programme Review and Planning Missions in 2003	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident.

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Management	EM/RC52/R.1	2005	Annual report of the Regional Director for the year 2004 and progress reports	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident (statutory meeting - RD's annual report). Furthermore, the specific areas mentioned in the report were followed by detailed technical papers/resolution, as appropriate.
Management	EM/RC52/R.11	2005	Report of the Regional Consultative Committee (twenty-ninth meeting)	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident (statutory meeting).
Management	EM/RC53/R.1	2006	Nomination of the Regional Director	√			Requested actions completed as requested following WHO rules and procedures. Decision on nomination was also updated in the revision of rules and procedures of the Regional Committee in 2012. Final decision reflected in Rule 51.
Management	EM/RC53/R.2	2006	Annual report of the Regional Director for the year 2005 and progress reports	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident. Furthermore, the specific areas mentioned in the report were followed by detailed technical papers/resolution, as appropriate.
Management	EM/RC53/R.4	2006	Review of draft Medium-Term Strategic Plan and proposed Programme Budget for the Financial Period 2008–2009	√			Superseded by an updated resolution EM/RC55/R.10 (2008).
Management	EM/RC53/R.9	2006	Report of the	√			Relevant to a specific

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			Regional Consultative Committee (thirtieth meeting)				event/incident (statutory meeting).
Management	EM/RC53/R.11	2006	Evaluation report of the Joint Government/WHO Programme Review and Planning Missions in 2005	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident.
Management	EM/RC54/R.1	2007	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2006 and progress reports	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident. Furthermore, the specific areas mentioned in the report were followed by detailed technical papers/resolution, as appropriate.
Management	EM/RC54/R.5	2007	Report of the Regional Consultative Committee (thirty-first meeting)	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident (statutory meeting).
Management	EM/RC55/R.1	2008	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2007 and progress reports	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident. Furthermore, the specific areas mentioned in the report were followed by detailed technical papers/resolution, as appropriate.
Management	EM/RC55/R.3	2008	Report of the Regional Consultative Committee (thirty-second meeting)	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident (statutory meeting).
Management	EM/RC55/R.10	2008	Review of the			√	The amended MTSP 2008–2013

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			Medium-Term Strategic Plan 2008–2013 and proposed Programme Budget for the financial period 2010–2011				continues until the end of 2013.
Management	EM/RC56/R.1	2009	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2008 and progress reports	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident. Furthermore, the specific areas mentioned in the report were followed by detailed technical papers/resolution, as appropriate.
Management	EM/RC56/R.3	2009	Report of the Regional Consultative Committee (thirty-third meeting)	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident (statutory meeting).
Management	EM/RC57/R.1	2010	Annual Report of the Regional Director 2009	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident. Furthermore, the specific areas mentioned in the report were followed by detailed technical papers/resolution, as appropriate.
Management	EM/RC57/R.8	2010	Report of the Regional Consultative Committee (thirty-fourth meeting)	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident (statutory meeting).
Management	EM/RC57/R.9	2010	Programme and budget matters	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident.
Management	EM/RC58/R.1	2011	Annual report of the Regional Director for 2010 and progress	√			Resolution relevant to a specific event/incident. Furthermore, the specific areas mentioned in the report were followed by detailed

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			reports				technical papers/resolutions, as appropriate, and subject to WHO reform. May need to consider legal input since section 5.3 of the resolution requests allocation of at least 5% of WHO assessed contributions for noncommunicable disease prevention and control programmes.
Management	EM/RC58/R.2	2011	Report of the Regional Consultative Committee (thirty-fifth meeting)	√			Relevant to a specific event/incident (statutory meeting).
Management	EM/RC58/R.6	2011	Nomination of the Regional Director for the Eastern Mediterranean	√			Requested actions completed as requested following WHO rules and procedures. Decision on nomination was also updated in the revision of rules and procedures of the Regional Committee in 2012. Final decision reflected in Rule 51.
Management	EM/RC58/R.7	2011	Expression of appreciation to Dr Hussein Abdul Razzak Gezairy	√			Requested actions completed.
	42 (100%)			40 (95%)	0 (0%)	2 (5%)	
	134 (100%)			80 (60%)	11 (8%)	43 (32%)	