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Item 10 (f) of the provisional agenda\*

**Coordination, programme and other questions:  
tobacco or health**

**Armenia,\*\* Australia,\*\* Japan, Panama and Russian Federation:  
draft resolution**

## **United Nations Inter-Agency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases**

*The Economic and Social Council,*

*Recalling* its resolution 2013/12 of 22 July 2013 on the United Nations Inter-Agency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases,

*Taking note* of General Assembly resolution [68/271](#) of 13 May 2014 on the scope and modalities of the comprehensive review and assessment of the progress achieved in the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases to be held on 10 and 11 July 2014,

*Having considered* the note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Director-General of the World Health Organization on the United Nations Inter-Agency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases,<sup>1</sup>

*Acknowledging* that the global burden and threat of non-communicable diseases, principally cardiovascular diseases, cancer, chronic respiratory diseases and diabetes, which are linked to four main risk factors, namely, tobacco use, harmful use of alcohol, an unhealthy diet and lack of physical activity, as well as the global burden of mental health issues constitute major challenges for the economic and social development of many Member States and may lead to increasing inequalities within and between countries and populations,

1. *Takes note* of the report of the World Health Organization formal meeting of Member States to complete the work on the terms of reference for the United

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\* E/2014/1/Rev.1, annex II.

\*\* In accordance with rule 72 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council.

<sup>1</sup> E/2014/55.



Nations Inter-Agency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases,<sup>2</sup> and the recommendation of the World Health Assembly to submit the proposed terms of reference to the Economic and Social Council;

2. *Endorses* the terms of reference for the United Nations Inter-Agency Task Force on the Prevention and Control of Non-communicable Diseases, including a division of tasks and responsibilities for United Nations funds, programmes and agencies and other international organizations, as contained in the appendix to the above-mentioned report of the Director-General of the World Health Organization;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to report to the Economic and Social Council at its 2015 session on the implementation of its resolution 2013/12, and in this regard decides to rename the agenda item entitled “Tobacco or health” to read “Prevention and control of non-communicable diseases”.

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<sup>2</sup> Ibid., annex.