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To Nongovernmental Organizations with  
observer status to the Conference of the  
Parties to the WHO FCTC

In reply please  
refer to: CSF/ERG/2010/19

Your reference:

16 December 2010

Dear Sir/Madam,

I would like to refer to our letter of 2 February 2010 on the review of accreditation of nongovernmental organizations with observer status to the Conference of the Parties to the WHO FCTC conducted in accordance with Rule 31.3 of the Rules of Procedure of the Conference of the Parties.

The information provided by your organization on its activities in support of the WHO FCTC were reviewed and a recommendation submitted by the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties to the fourth session of the Conference of the Parties which took place from 15 to 20 November 2010 in Punta del Este, Uruguay.

I am pleased to inform you that, on the basis of the information provided, the Conference of the Parties decided to maintain observer status of the organizations listed in the attached decision FCTC/COP4(23).

On behalf of the Convention Secretariat, I would like to thank you for your contribution and support to the work of the WHO FCTC and we look forward to further collaboration with your organization.

Yours sincerely,

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## **FCTC/COP4(23) Review of accreditation of nongovernmental organizations with**

The Conference of the Parties,

Recalling its decision FCTC/COP3(19) on the workplan and budget for the financial period 2010–2011, requesting the Convention Secretariat to conduct a review of accreditation of nongovernmental organizations with observer status to the Conference of the Parties in accordance with Rule 31.3 of its Rules of Procedure;

Having examined the report of the Convention Secretariat contained in document FCTC/COP/4/22 Rev.1,

### **1. DECIDES:**

- (1) to maintain the observer status of the following organizations:

Consumers International, Corporate Accountability International, Council for International Organizations of Medical Sciences, FDI World Dental Federation, Framework Convention Alliance on Tobacco Control, International Alliance of Women, International Association of Rural Medicine and Health, International Association of Logopedics and Phoniatics, International Commission on Occupational Health, International Council of Nurses, International Federation of Medical Students' Associations, International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers & Associations, International Organization for Standardization, International Pharmaceutical Federation, International Pharmaceutical Students' Federation, International Society of Nurses in Cancer Care, Union for International Cancer Control,<sup>1</sup> International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease, Medical Women's International Association, World Federation of Public Health Associations, World Heart Federation, World Medical Association, World Organization of Family Doctors, World Self-Medication Industry.

- (2) to discontinue the observer status of the following organizations:

Churches' Action for Health, Commonwealth Medical Association, Cystic Fibrosis Worldwide, Inter-American Association of Sanitary and Environmental Engineering, International Association for Maternal and Neonatal Health, International Confederation of Midwives, International Council of Women, International Federation of Business and Professional Women, International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics, International Hospital Federation, International League of Dermatological Societies, International Occupational Hygiene Association, International Union for Health Promotion and Education, Rotary International, Soroptimist International, World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts, World Federation of Chiropractic, World Federation of Hemophilia, World Federation of Hydrotherapy and Climatotherapy, World Federation of Societies of Anaesthesiologists, World Federation of United Nations Associations, World Vision International.

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<sup>1</sup> Formerly International Union Against Cancer.

(3) to request the following organizations to submit their pending reports on activities that they undertake to support implementation of the Convention by 15 February 2011 and to mandate the Bureau of the Conference of the Parties to examine these reports and decide on maintaining or discontinuing their observer status based on criteria referred to in document FCTC/COP/4/22 Rev.1. The observer status should automatically be considered as discontinued if no such reports are presented:

The Global Forum for Health Research; the International College of Surgeons; the International Council on Alcohol and Addictions; the International Non Governmental Coalition Against Tobacco.

2. **ALSO DECIDES:**

to request the Convention Secretariat to develop and propose for adoption by the Conference of the Parties at its fifth session: (a) a standard form to be used and completed by nongovernmental organizations wishing to apply for observer status, in light of the provisions set in Rule 31 of its Rules of Procedure as well as in decision FCTC/COP2(6); and (b) a formal set of criteria in order to facilitate conducting future such reviews.

(Tenth plenary meeting, 20 November 2010)