BACKGROUND

In UN General Assembly Resolution A/RES/71/3, Member States requested “the Secretary-General to establish, in consultation with WHO, FAO and OIE, an ad hoc interagency coordination group, co-chaired by the Executive Office of the Secretary-General and WHO, drawing, where necessary, on expertise from relevant stakeholders, to provide practical guidance for approaches needed to ensure sustained effective global action to address AMR”.

In response to this request, the Secretary-General convened a group of 28 organizations (note that UNITAID was added by the SG after the first meeting) and experts to carry out this work on his behalf. This Ad Hoc Interagency Coordination Group on Antimicrobial Resistance (the IACG) is co-chaired by the Deputy Secretary-General and the WHO Director-General. At the request of the Secretary-General, the tripartite Secretariat of FAO, OIE and WHO is hosted in Geneva. The IACG’s work is directed by three conveners, Dr Junshi Chen, Dame Sally Davies, and Ms Martha Lutterodt.

The first meeting of the IACG took place at UN Headquarters, New York, 2-3 May 2017.

ORGANIZATION AND PROCESS OF THE MEETING

1. Of the 28 members of the IACG, 20 joined the teleconference (see Annex 1). Ms Amina J Mohammed, Dr Margaret Chan, Dr Jarbas Barbosa da Silva, Ms Jaana Husu-Kallio, Dr Naoko Yamamoto, Dr Enis Baris, Dr Marijke Wijnroks, Mr Elliot Harris and Dr Luiz Loures sent their apologies. Dame Sally Davies chaired the meeting. Representatives of the McKinsey Consulting Group and the Wellcome Trust joined the call at different times to present specific items on the agenda, at the invitation of the conveners.

2. The key items on the Group’s agenda were to discuss a draft work plan, along with a timeframe for completion of the group’s mandate and final report.

3. A draft work plan prepared by the Secretariat was discussed in detail. There was general agreement that the work plan should reflect the mandate given in UNGA resolution A/RES/71/3 and correspond closely to the Group’s terms of reference. It was also emphasized that the IACG should not duplicate the work of others, but rather align and coordinate the efforts of existing mechanisms.

4. A proposed timeline of meetings and milestones for the Group’s work was presented and discussed.

5. The Group reviewed a draft mapping of AMR activities that was undertaken by FAO, OIE, and WHO. Several revisions were suggested. This mapping exercise will now be extended to agencies represented on the IACG and to other relevant UN agencies.
6. A draft Framework for Action was presented by the McKinsey Consulting Group. IACG members agreed to accept this framework as a reference document for their further use and thanked McKinsey for analytical input into this framework.

7. The Wellcome Trust joined the call to make a presentation on a Call to Action event on behalf of the other co-hosts, the UK Government, the Government of Thailand, and the UN Foundation. The Call to Action will be hosted in Europe (venue TBC) in October. At this conference, a registry of commitments to AMR activities will be developed, which the IACG will accept as an input to support their work. IACG members agreed to endorse the Call to Action conference and agreed to support the event and work in partnership with the co-hosts.

NEXT STEPS

8. The next meeting by teleconference will be held 11 September 2017 and the next face-to-face meeting at OIE headquarters in Paris on 16-17 October 2017.

9. Members were invited to send comments on the work plan, the AMR Framework, and the Call to Action conference by email by 7 July. After a revision of the work plan is agreed by the Group, it will be posted for comment by Member States and key stakeholders.

10. A recommendation was made to add an individual expert to replace a nominee who had declined to join the IACG. The DSG’s office reported that the DSG will reply to this request.
ANNEX 1

SECOND MEETING OF THE AD-HOC INTERAGENCY COORDINATION GROUP

30 June 2017, BY TELECONFERENCE

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

CO-CHAIRS

Ms Amina J Mohammed
Deputy Secretary-General
United Nations
(Could not attend)

Dr Margaret Chan
Director-General
World Health Organization
(Could not attend)

INDIVIDUAL EXPERTS

Dr Hanan Balkhy
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Unable to Attend

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Ms Jaana Husu-Kallio
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Finland

Dr Naoko Yamamoto
Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare
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Mr Mark Pearson
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France
Dr Matthew Stone  
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France

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United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF)  
New York

Mr Minelik Alemu Getahun  
World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)  
Switzerland

Ms Christiane Wolff  
World Trade Organization  
Switzerland

Ms Ana Hinojosa  
World Customs Organization  
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Unable to attend

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USA

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Mr Elliot Harris  
United Nations Environment Programme  
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Dr Luiz Loures  
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