

WHA19.36 Prevention of Traffic Accidents

The Nineteenth World Health Assembly,

Believing that an important task of health administrations is the protection of people against health hazards of every kind;

Having in mind the heavy losses resulting from the ever increasing number of traffic accidents;

Believing that further research is required, on an international basis, to elucidate the role, already demonstrated by scientific work, of human and medical factors in traffic accidents; and

Noting with satisfaction the steps already taken by WHO to inform Member States of the importance of this problem,

1. REQUESTS the Director-General to consider the possibilities of WHO playing a more active role in the prevention of traffic accidents, with special emphasis on the human and medical aspects of the problem and on the coordination of international research in this field; and

2. FURTHER REQUESTS the Director-General to inform the Executive Board and the Assembly of the amount of additional annual expenditure that would be entailed in giving effect to the possibilities referred to in the previous paragraph.

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