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Members have received the information on the One Health negotiations currently underway at the international level that directly concern national Veterinary Services which require your attention, coordination, and engagement at the national, regional and global levels.

More specifically, the note provides Members with information on the Organisation's position on the below three items:

*The Quadripartite One Health Joint Plan of Action (OH-JPA), including operationalisation and country engagement*

*The 75th specific World Health Assembly, including negotiations pertaining to*

the WHO convention, agreement or other international instrument on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response.

*The G20 Joint Health and Finance Taskforce* and the establishment of a Financial Intermediary Fund (FIF) for pandemic prevention, preparedness, and response (PPR) under the supervision of the World Bank.

This note shares key messages that can be used by Members in their discussions at national and international level relating to the above interconnected issues.

*The OH joint Plan of Action.* Information sessions and consultations were organised with Members to introduce the Plan and get feedback have been carried over May to June 2022.

The upcoming challenge will be to implement the Plan and translate the Quadripartite's work to the country level to support our Members. To overcome these challenges.

Efforts will be made to empower and strengthen Regional Coordination Mechanisms to drive the development of pilot projects in full consultation with countries.

Fostering coalitions with other partners for advocacy and mobilization through a whole of society approach to ensure inclusivity and so that voices of all the stakeholders are heard.

The One Health approach should be the foundation of the instrument as it is a whole of society approach which catalyses the multisectoral and multidisciplinary approach needed to tackle health threats at the human-animal-environment interface. Moreover, One Health should also be integrated into each pillar of the instrument: prevention, preparedness, response and recovery.

The OIE support the formation of a 'Friends of One Health' group to amplify the voice of the animal and environmental health sectors and ensure that the One Health approach remains a guiding principle in the international instrument negotiations. The group will provide a mechanism for dialogue and collaboration between Members and strengthening of One Health positions.

Key messages to be amplified by Members at the national, regional and global levels Veterinary Services and the Animal Health Sector have a crucial role in influencing the dialogue on global health governance. We encourage Delegates to mobilize their Ministers and other relevant Ministers involved in these discussions, mainly Health, Foreign Affairs and Finance Ministers, to proactively share the following key messages in all forums such as public hearings, written online submissions and direct negotiation processes:

Due consideration must be given to the concerns of the animal health sector in the negotiations and to the important role that Veterinary Services and animal health sector, including wildlife play in pandemic prevention, preparedness and response.

Ensure that any messages conveyed from countries underscore the importance of the One Health approach and the critical role of Veterinary Services in this whole of government, whole of society approach to reduce health threats.

Encourage the involvement of Ministers supervising Veterinary Services to engage actively through appropriate inter-ministerial channels to ensure that the negotiations of the pandemic treaty are done in line with and underscore the essential

role played by Veterinary Services in One Health resilience.

Advocate for One Health to be adopted as an underlying foundation of the new instrument, so it complements and strengthens the coherence between existing International Health Regulations (IHR) 2005, environmental treaties, and animal health regulations and standards as well as human, animal, and environmental health systems more broadly.