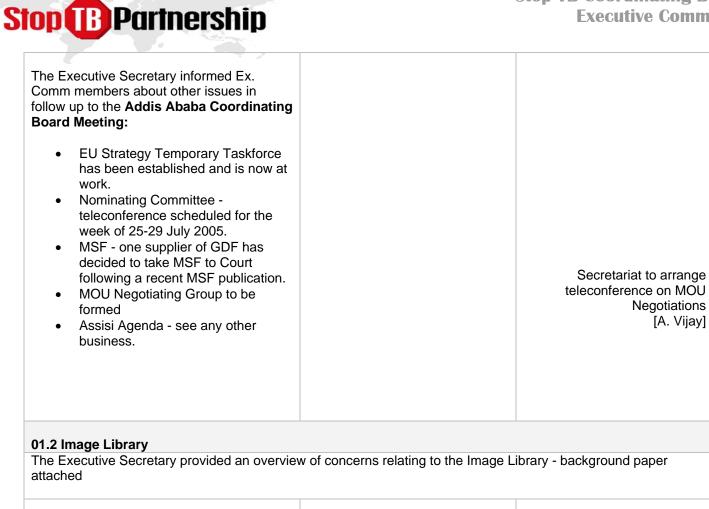


Teleconference Executive Committee (ExCom. No 7. 08.07.05) DRAFT Minutes

Attended:	Not able to attend:	Secretariat
Ernest Loevinsohn Mario Raviglione Irene Koek Karam Shah	Ken Castro	Marcos Espinal Louise Baker Richard Maggi Shalu Rozario
Giorgio Roscigno Adeyi Olusoji		
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01.1 Follow up on Addis Ababa Coordinati The discussion focused on follow up to the Af		notes
 The Ex. Sec updated Ex. Comm. members re. African Finance Ministers meeting and the need to secure the support of the Vice President for Africa of the World Bank. Ex. Sec posed 2 issues to the Ex. Comm. 1) Whether it would be acceptable to hold the meeting in 2006? 2) Whether alternatives to holding the meeting in Addis Ababa should be considered, in view of recent events? Olusoji confirmed letting that timing would be better with the VP after the G8 meeting towards the end of the summer. The Gates Foundation is considering funding the study on the economic implications of TB. A draft should be ready by the end of 2005. The Ex. Comm agreed that it was important to have the economic analysis prior to holding the Finance Ministers meeting. The Committee remains open minded about the location of the meeting but encourages all partners to advocate for TB control in Africa and promote the development of individual and institutional TB Champions, beyond Ethiopia, elsewhere in the continent. 	The Ex. Comm decided that 2006 should be targeted for the meeting. The Ex. Comm decided that, despite recent events, preference should be given to hosting the meeting in Addis Ababa.	World Bank to proceed with the Economic Analysis study and raise the issue with the Vice President for Africa at World Bank as appropriate [Olusoji - WB] Secretariat to proceed with planning for the Health and Finance Ministers meeting in 2006 [ME] Secretariat to monitor the impact of election results in Ethiopia but proceed with arrangement ins Addis Ababa [ME] Secretariat to try to secure other TB Champions in Africa [ME]



 The Ex. Sec informed the Board about current status of the Image Library. Although the Image Library currently meets its originally stated objectives, several issues have arisen that impact the success of this resource including key issues of cost, housing and project management. IUATLD has offered and the Secretariat recommends The Stop TB Partnership Image Library management be assumed by housing and project management. 	The Ex. Comm approved the proposal of the Secretariat to transfer management of the Library to IUATLD.	Secretariat to secure agreement between IUATLD and the Partnership to guarantee certain requirements are met, such as, free access for all library users, guaranteed continuation of image library, use of Partnership logo etc. [ME] Secretariat to arrange the
the IUATLD. IUATLD proposes to project manage the library, and to host it in collaboration with the World Lung Foundation. The library will be expanded to include other health issues such as HIV, asthma, child lung health, etc. The library will still be considered a product of the Stop TB Partnership, and will remain available as a resource to the Partnership.		transfer of the management of the Image Library to IUATLD. [ME]



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01.3 Secretariat Server

A note from the Executive Secretary outlined		5 WHO.		
The Ex. Sec informed the Board about the cost saving and consequences of transferring the Secretariat Server to WHO. The move will save the Partnership +/- \$80 000 over four years. The only noticeable impact of this would be the display of the website address in the address bar. This would now read www.stoptb.who.int. Use of the existing address www.stoptb.org would direct users to the same website. The Ex. Committee was concerned about whether the move would impact on content. The Secretariat confirmed that in principle it should not have any impact on content.	The Ex. Comm decided to approve the proposal of the Secretariat to transfer the hosting of the Partnership Server to WHO.	Secretariat to negotiate and secure terms with WHO for the transfer of the partnership server and web address to WHO [ME]		
01.4 Secretariat Strategic Plan The Executive Secretary requested comments on the initial draft of the Secretariat Strategic Plan.				
 Ex. Comm commended the Secretariat for the preparation of a draft Strategic Plan. The Secretariat Strategic Plan will form part of the Global Plan to Stop TB (2006-2015). The Ex. Secretary informed Ex. Comm members of the upcoming Secretariat retreat to refine the Strategic Plan. 	The Ex. Comm agreed that the Secretariat should re-examine the key indicators and target an increase in the quantum of overall funding for GDF not a shift in focus towards direct procurement.	Secretariat to circulate updated version of Strategic Plan to Ex. Com members [ME]		
01.5 Any Other Business				
Upcoming Board Meeting - Assisi				
 Dr. Raviglione proposed the following items for discussion at the upcoming Board meeting: Follow up on Africa Session Eastern Europe and MDR-TB Technical Assistance, Monitoring and Evaluation and Laboratory funding requirements 	The Ex. Comm agreed to support the inclusion of these items on the Assisi Agenda.	Board members to inform Secretariat of other issues for the Assisi Agenda [Board] Secretariat to circulate draft agenda for consideration by Ex. Comm and Board [ME]		

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The Ex. Secretary updated Ex. Comm members on the recent Secretariat visit to Assisi and indicated logistics issues highlighted in the background note.		Secretariat should try to secure high level missions in Italy and prepare letter from Chair to Head of Cooperation Deodato and Foreign Minister Fini [ME]
Vice Chair The Ex. Secretary informed Ex. Comm about the appointment of Vice Chair Omaswa as a WHO staff member at HQ.	The Ex. Com adopted a resolution of appreciation for the work of Vice Chair Omaswa in TB Control during his tenure on the Coordinating Board.	Secretariat to write to Vice Chair Francis Omaswa with the appreciation of the Ex. Comm. [ME]
High Level Missions The Ex. Secretary informed Ex. Comm about the latest developments on High Level Missions to Nigeria (September) and Brazil (5-9 December)	Ex. Comm decided that engagement of Australia in the fight against TB would be beneficial.	Secretariat to follow up on possible High Level Mission or Coordinating Board meeting in Australia. [ME]