

5 June 2023

## **IPHC CIRCULAR 2023-013**

## **SUBJECT: INTERSESSIONAL DECISIONS ID004-ID006 (FOR INFORMATION)**

Dear Commissioners,

In accordance with Rule 11, paragraphs 4-10 'Intersessional decision-making' of the IPHC Rules of Procedure (2023), I am pleased to provide you with the following intersessional Commission decisions for your information. The decisions were **adopted** by consensus (In favour=6; Against=0; No response=0). No further action is required by Commissioners at this time.

## CONTRACTING PARTY CONTRIBUTIONS FOR FY2024

**IPHC-2023-ID004**: The Commission **NOTED** the indicated Contracting Party (CP) contributions for FY2024 prescribed by each CP subsequent to the 13<sup>th</sup> Special Session of the Commission (SS013) as follows:

*Canada*: Contribution to the IPHC General Fund would be 3% higher than the amount provided in FY2023 = US\$927,419.21

*U.S.A.*: Contribution to the IPHC General Fund would be 3% higher than the amount provided in FY2023 = US\$4,282,492.80 (subject to appropriations)

Extra-budgetary funds:

*U.S.A.*: Contribution to the IPHC Secretariat Headquarters Lease and Maintenance: US\$513,712.50

Canada/U.S.A.: US\$127,848.00 each (for the old IFCPF deficit - voluntary payment)

**IPHC-2023-ID005**: **NOTING** that the abovementioned contributions equate to <u>US\$528,812.25</u> less than the FY2024 budget proposed for adoption at SS013 to maintain the current staffing levels and level of operations of the IPHC Secretariat into FY2024, the Commission **RECOMMENDED** the following budget and associated service reductions:

- i. **-US\$13,500** removal of the IPHC Interim Meeting from the IPHC Meetings budget line. The meeting shall be held in a fully remote/online format moving forward;
- ii. **-US40,060** removal of the IPHC MSAB meeting from the IPHC Meetings budget line for FY2024. The meetings scheduled for FY2024 (1 Oct 2023 to 30 Sept 2024) shall be held in a fully remote/online format;
- iii. -US\$217,456 removal of 1 x FTE at the level IPHC-GS-13 (Manager) (salary, wages, and benefits);
- iv. -US257,796 removal of FTE's sufficient to match (salary, wages, and benefits)

**IPHC-2023-ID006**: The Commission **RECOMMENDED** that the IPHC Secretariat provide a revised FY2024 budget with the above-mentioned Contracting Party contributions and reductions for adoption via the Intersessional Decision-making process prescribed in the IPHC Rules of Procedure (2023).

Please consider the date of this IPHC Circular to be the official 'date of notification' of the decisions detailed above, in accordance with Rule 11, paragraph 10 of the IPHC Rules of Procedure (2023).

Yours sincerely

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**Attachments:** 

Nil.