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Presentation of the Report of the Executive Board on the Execution of the General Assembly Decision GA 27/05/13, Decision GA27/08/13 and Decision GA 28/06/14.

- The Decision GA 27/05/13 refers to the President's Report on the WFO active participation on the New Post- 2015 Development Agenda discussions at the United Nations at the international and governments levels and the reflections done by the Executive Board regarding the non elaboration of the Strategic Framework 2014 - 2017.
- 2. The Executive Board acknowledged that the next Strategic Framework should encompass the New Global Post-2015 Sustainable Development Agenda. In order to elaborate an updated document according to the new guidelines of the Sustainable Development Goals, it is imperative to wait the conclusions of the global discussions and the approval of the outcome document by the UN Sustainable Development Summit to be held in September 2015.
- 3. During the many reflections and discussions the Executive Board decided that would be better to continue the active work on the preparations for the Post-2015 Sustainable Development Agenda and the Global Goals, reporting to the General Assembly about the work done and request to the General Assembly to extent the Strategic Framework 2010-2013 to the year 2014 and 2015 with yearly respectively updated Plan of Actions, and to postpone the elaboration of a new Strategic Framework after the New Agenda with the new goals and targets would be in definitive approved.
- 4. The General Assembly, after reflecting and discussing unanimously decided to approve the Executive Board Request.
- 5. The Decision GA/27/08/13 mandated the Executive Board to prepare, during the first trimester of 2014 a draft proposal for a Constitutional Revision, establishing a calendar for the development of the work. The Draft Proposal after the wide consultation among members would be discussed and approved by the 28th Special Session of the General Assembly to be held in December 2014 in China.
- 6. In February 2014, the President, the Vice President for Legal and Administrative Affairs, Mr. Isidro de Brito and the Vice President for Financial Affairs, Mr. Bruno Lopes started the analysis and discussions on the Constitution through a weekly videoconference.
- 7. From the beginning, many difficulties were found by the group, due to the amount of time necessary to deeply reflect on the actual status of the organisation and also due to the many changes happening in a global context. Due to these difficulties, the group agreed that an extended period of bibliography consultations on many other organisations with the similar status was needed.



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- 8. In informal consultations with our UN partners, we got the advice to pursue the idea to regain our formal Intergovernmental status in order to improve our relationship with the UN. It's a matter of survival and improve WFO's international representation.
- 9. Due to the complexity and the time consuming to fulfill this mandate during the year 2014, similarly to the elaboration of the new Strategic Framework 2014-2017, the Executive Board reported to the 28th GA and requested to postpone theses two GA Decisions to be fulfilled during the year of 2015
- 10. Through the **Decision GA 28/06/14** the General Assembly Members, after reflecting and discussing, decided unanimously to approve the Executive Board request.
- 11. In March 2015 we started preliminary discussions with the Vice-Presidents to prepare the two drafts of the **Decision 28/06/15** but in May we found out that the Post-2105 Sustainable Development Agenda and the corresponding Sustainable Development Goals were not concluded yet, the draft document presented was much more comprehensive than we expected, the 17 goals with the 169 targets demanded deep reflections and right choices for inclusions in our Strategic Framework and the reflections on the amendments correspondent to our constitution demanded a more coordinated and specialized work.
- 12. The President, after discussing with the Vice-Presidents and on behalf of the Executive Board, decided to postpone the preparation of these two draft documents during the year of 2016 and request to the 29th General Assembly Ordinary Session to ratify this decision.
- 13. The President, on behalf of the Executive Board, also kindly request to the 29th General Assembly Ordinary Session to postpone the discussion and approval of these two tasks to the 30th General Assembly Ordinary Session in 2016.