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financed and have access to the best technical expertise available. It would guide international policy development with respect to product regulation and could facilitate access to scientific information needed for tobacco regulation. Its first task would be to study the recommendations of the Oslo meeting and recent scientific reports on the topic and make recommendations for action to WHO.

- A global team of experts, facilitated by WHO, is needed to help countries deal with industry arguments and development of tobacco product regulations.
- Ensure that issues related to product regulation are incorporated into the FCTC and related protocols.
- Communicate the outcome of this meeting to all appropriate national, regional and international agencies in an attempt to foster uniform approaches.

Following the meeting, Dr Goo H Brundtland announced that she will soon establish a WHO Scientific Advisory Committee on Tobacco Product Regulation.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Full details of events to be included in the calendar should be sent to John Weller, technical editor, BMA House, Tavistock Square, London WC1H 9JR, UK; john_weller@msn.com

World Congress on Lung Health
30 August–3 September 2000, Florence, Italy
Further details: European Respiratory Society. (Tel +41 216 130202; fax +41 216 172865; info@ersnet.org)

UICC Conference on Cancer Control Issues in the Year 2000
8–9 September 2000, Seattle, Washington, USA
Further details: GP Murphy, Cancer Research Center, Northwest Hospital, Pacific Northwest Cancer Foundation, Seattle, Washington, USA. (Fax +1 206 363 3196)

Ninth World Conference on Lung Cancer
11–15 September 2000, Tokyo, Japan
Further details: International Communications Specialists, Inc, Sabo Kaikan-belkkan, 2-7-4 Hirakawa-cho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo 102-8646. (Tel + 3 3263 6474; fax +3 3263 7077)

5th Brazilian—Luzitan congress on Senology
18–22 October 2000, Brasilia, Brazil
Further details: Brazilian Senology Society, CLN 201 BI. A Salas 109/111, 70832-510 Brasilia-DF, Brazil. (Tel +55 61224 3895; fax +55 61321 4875; bearzieventos.com.br)

National Lung Cancer Awareness Day
12 November 2000
Further details: Carolyn Clary-Macy, University of California, San Francisco/ Mount Zion Cancer Center, USA. (http://cc.ucsf.edu/news/lung_ca_awareness.html or ALCASE at www.teleport.com/~alcase)

First Kuwait International Conference on Lung Cancer—Prevention and Treatment
13–15 November 2000, Kuwait
Further details: Kuwait Society fo Smoking and Cancer Prevention, Qadisaya, Block 1, Street 14, Bldg 2, PO Box 26733, Safat, 13128 Kuwait, Kuwait. (Tel + 965 253 0120; fax + 965 251 0137; futureks@ncc.moc.kw)

UICC International Smokeout
16 November 2000
Further details: International Union Against Cancer, Geneva, Switzerland. (Fax +41 22 809 1810; education@uicc.org)

Sixth International Congress of Behavioral Medicine
15–18 November 2000, Brisbane, Queensland, Australia
Further details: Intermedia, PO Box 1280, Milton, Queensland, 4064, Australia. (Tel +61 7 3369 0477; fax +61 7 3369 1512; icbm@im.com.au; www.icbm2000.conf.au)

World Assembly on Tobacco Counters Health—WATCH 2000
4–8 December 2000, New Delhi, India
Further details: Dr Vimal Arora, 509-B Arita Vihar, 110 044 New Delhi, India. (Tel +91 11 694 4551; fax +91 11 694 4472; varora@ndf.vsnl.net.in)

92nd American Association for Cancer Research Annual Meeting
24–28 March 2001, New Orleans, USA
Further details: American Association for Cancer Research, Public Ledger Building, Suite 816, 150 South Independence Mall West, Philadelphia PA 19106-3483, USA. (Tel +1 215 440 9300; fax +1 215 351 9165; meetings@aacr.org)