

# INTERNATIONAL HEALTH REGULATIONS



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Reducing Biological Risk by Building Capacity in Health Security,

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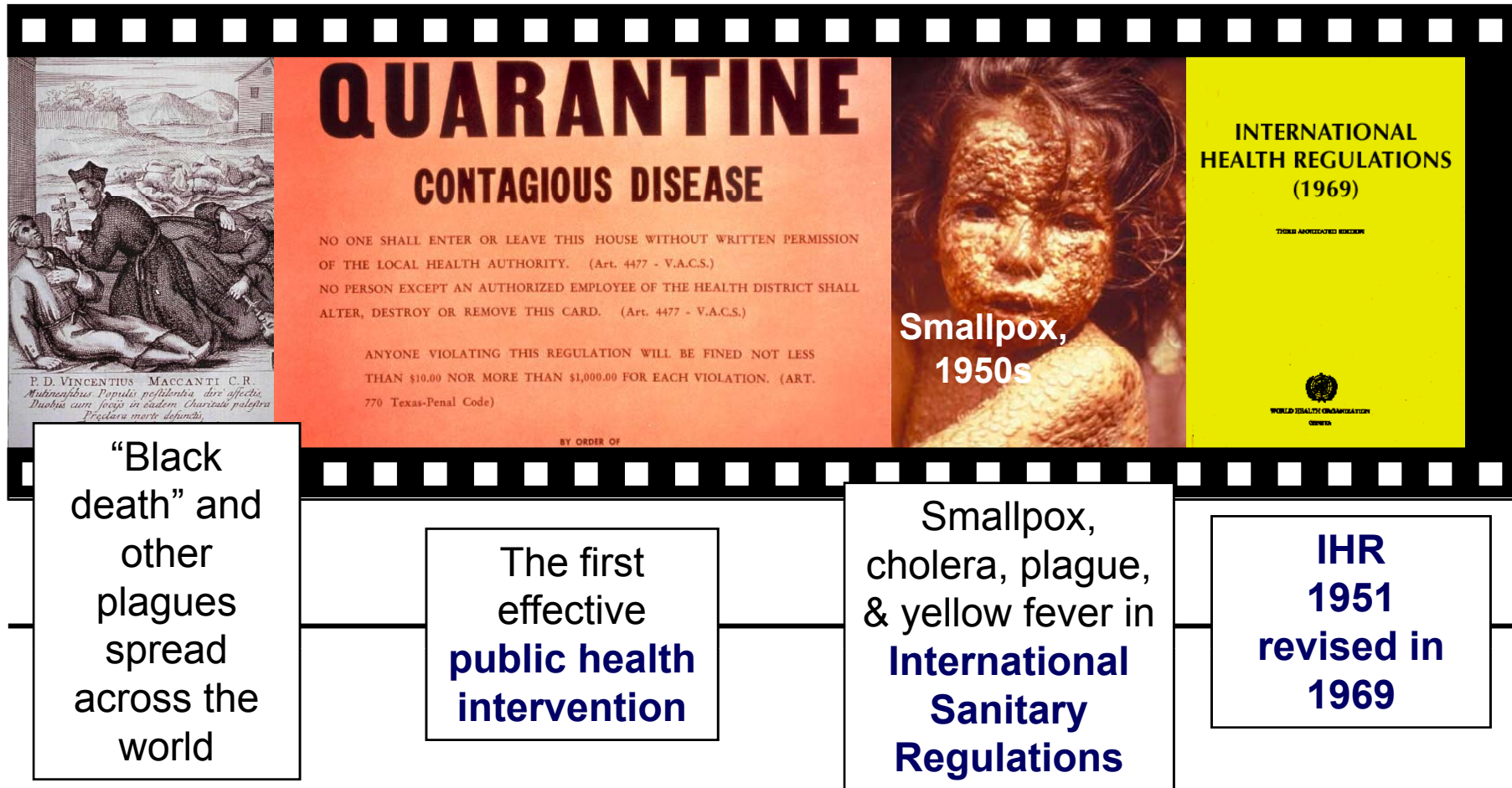
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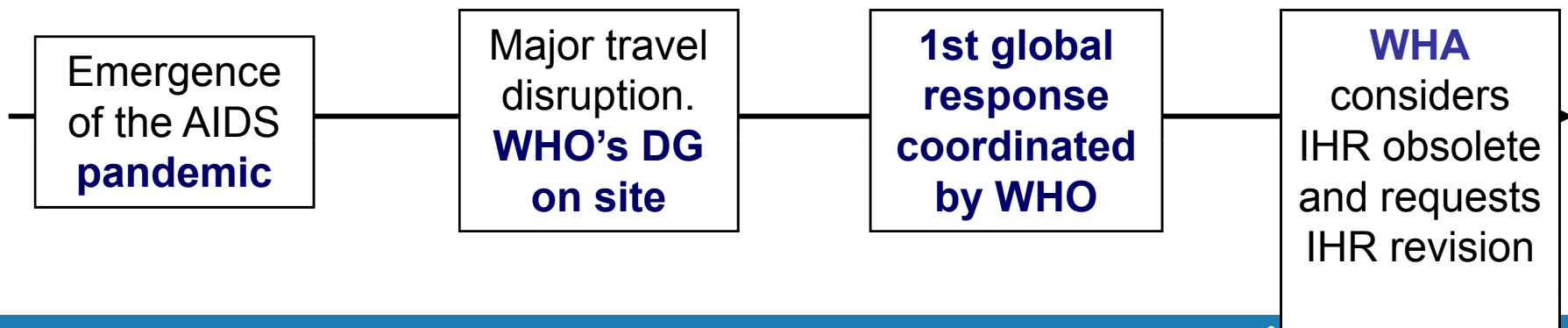
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## Milestones



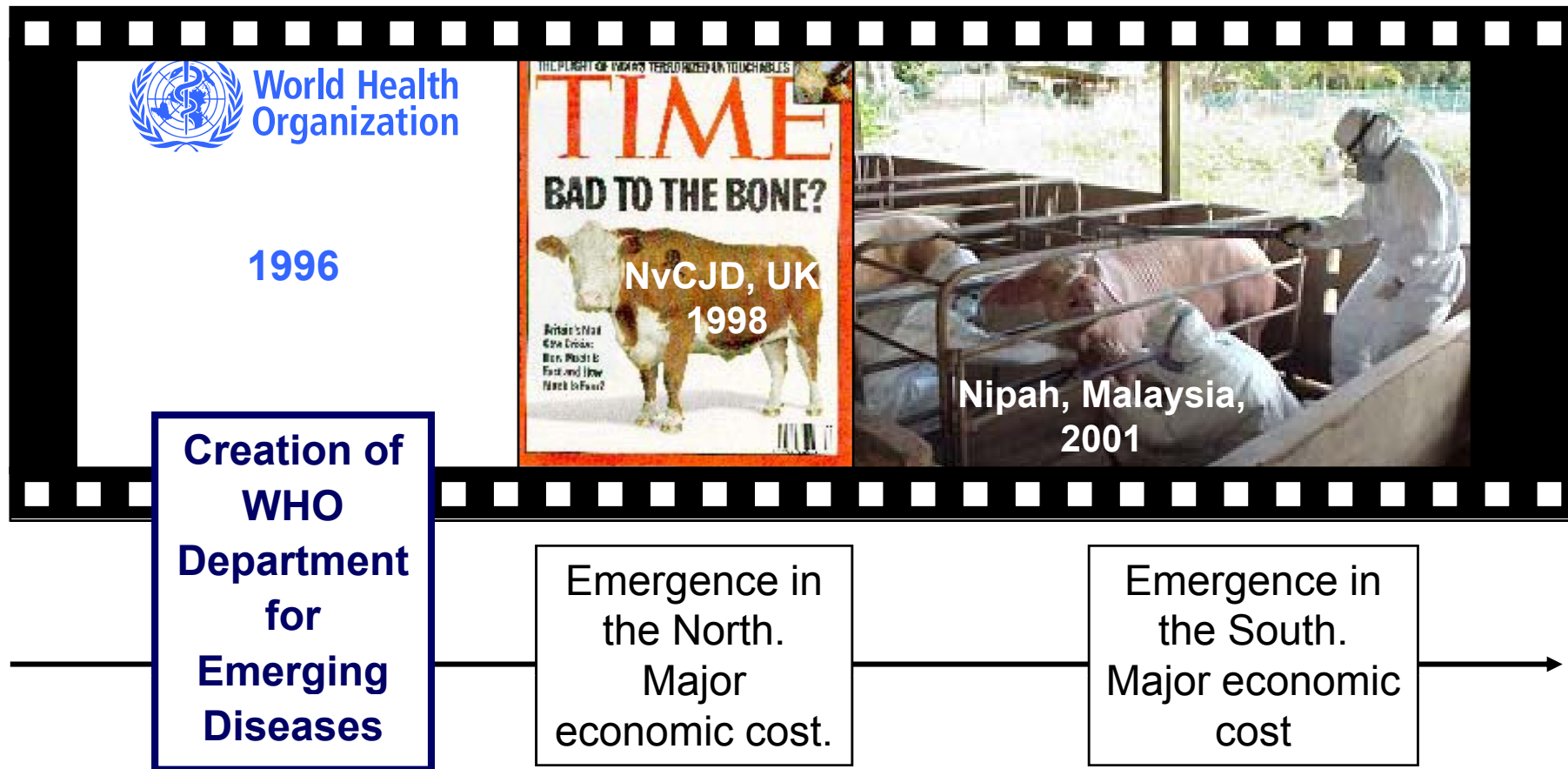
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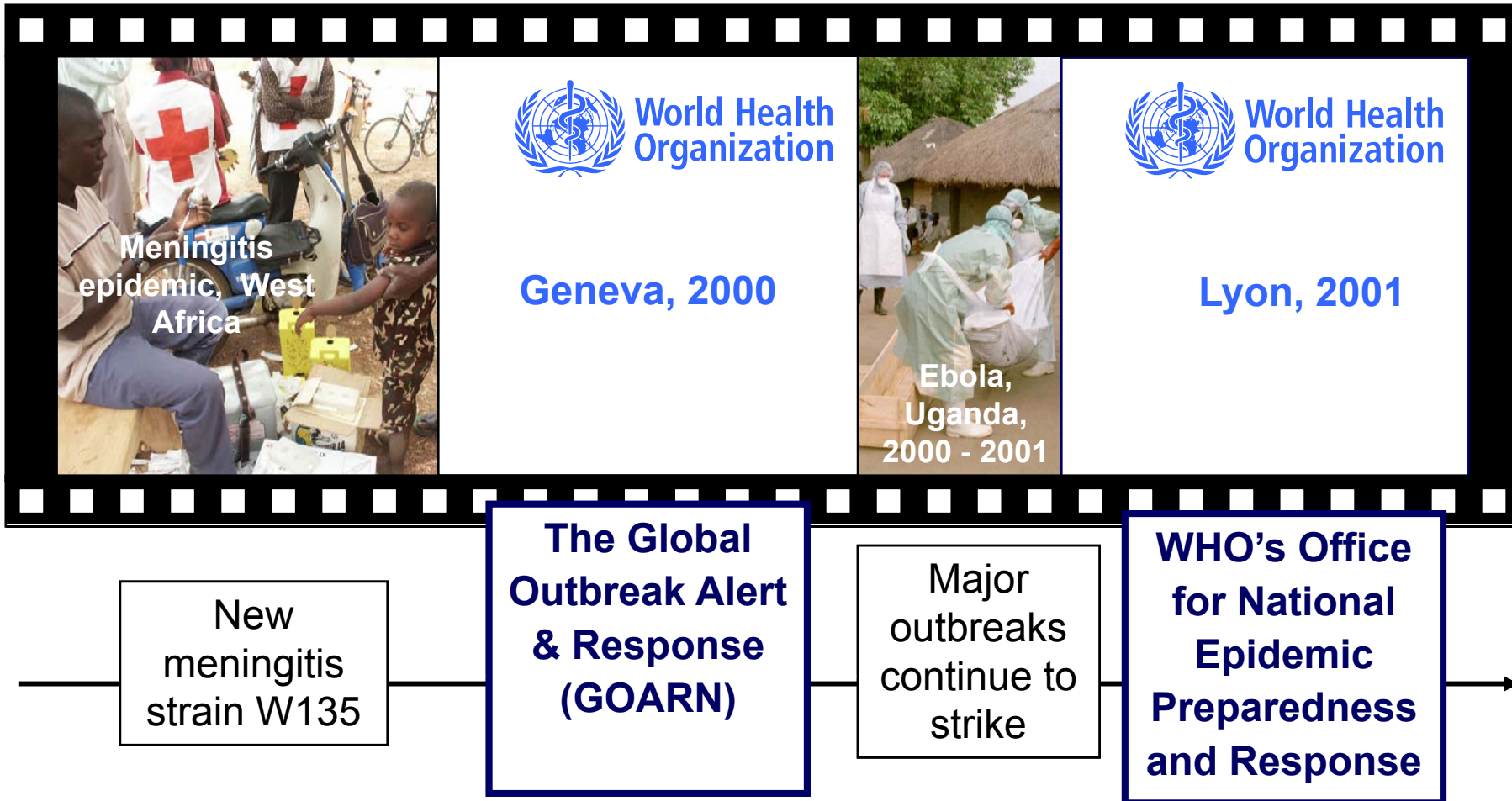
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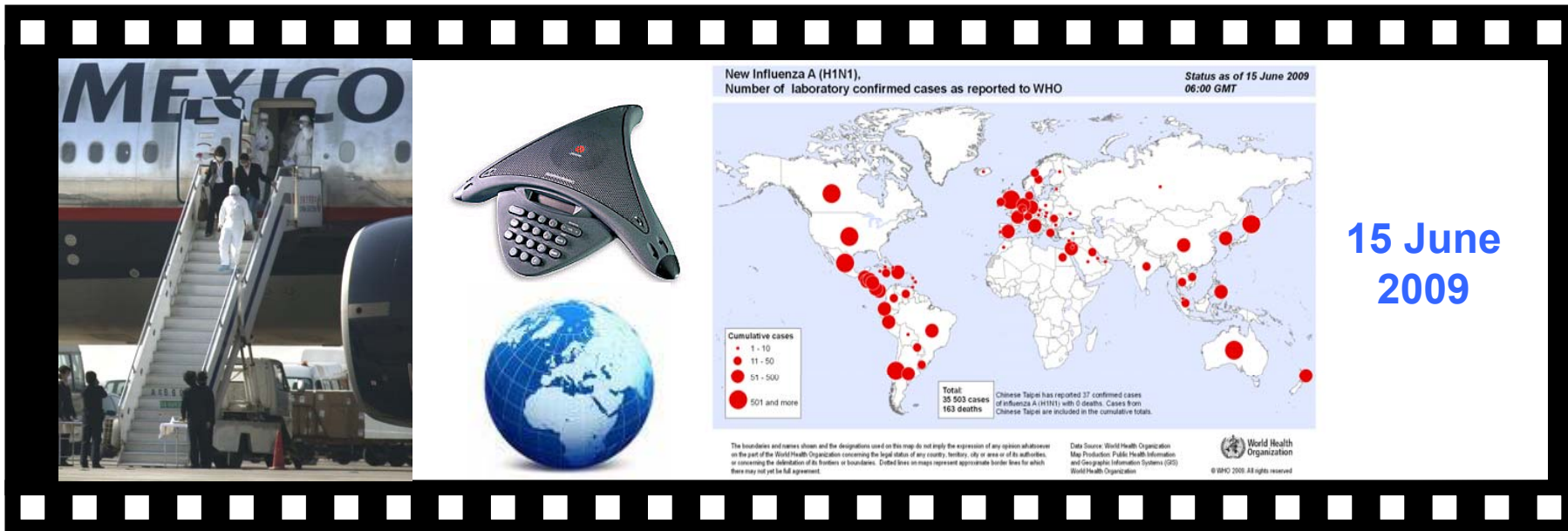
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12 April 2009  
Mexico notifies  
an outbreak  
caused by new  
A/H1N1 virus,

**1<sup>st</sup> IHR  
Emergency  
Committee,  
25 April 09.  
WHO DG  
declares  
PHEIC**

**WHO DG  
declares  
Influenza  
pandemic,  
11 June  
2009**

End of  
period for  
assessment  
of national  
capacity

International Health Regulations

## Purpose of IHR

“ to prevent, protect against, control and provide a **public health response to the international spread of disease** in ways that are commensurate with and restricted to public health risks, and which **avoid unnecessary interference with international traffic and trade**" (*Article 2*)



# IHR (2005)

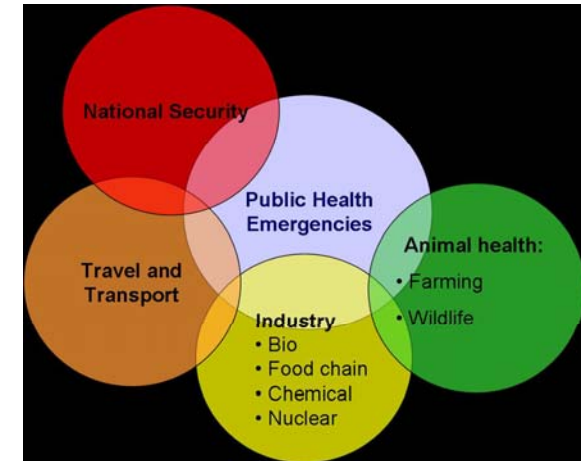
## Three Paradigm Shifts

- From **control of borders** to [also] **containment at source**
- From **diseases list** to **all public health threats**
- From **preset measures** to **adapted responses**



**A commitment of  
194 States Parties**

# IHR



▶ **Global health agenda**  
*Global Health security*

▶ **Result of negotiation**

- **international disease spread ↔ trade and travel**

*Art. 2 on purpose and scope*

- **global collaboration ↔ national sovereignty**

*"may / should / would / in general / to the extent possible" ...*

▶ **Intersectoral**

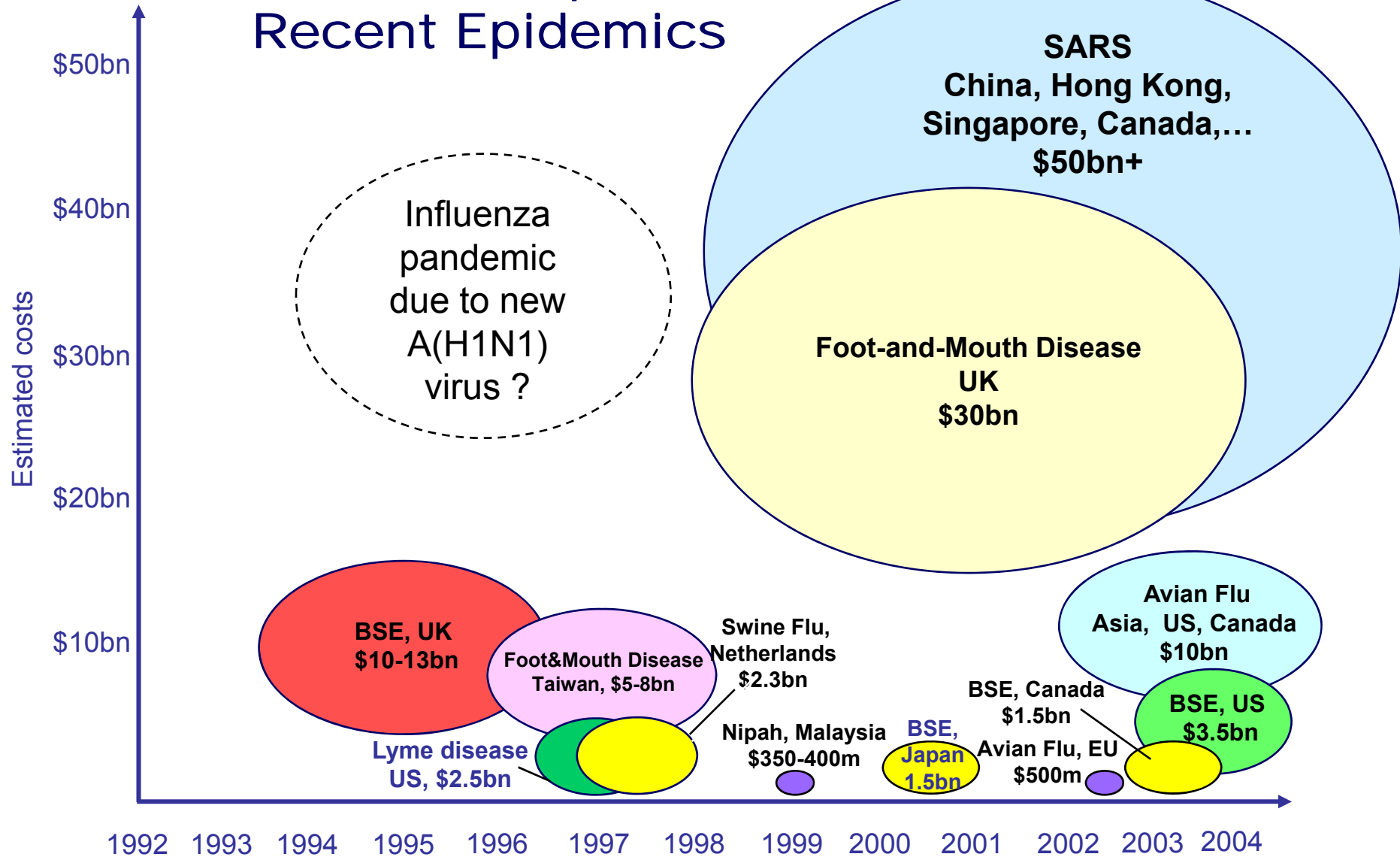
*health / transport / agriculture / commerce / **defence** / ...*

▶ **Innovative**

- **containment at source** → *core capacity requirements*

- **decision instrument** → *risk assessment is core*

# Economic Impact of Recent Epidemics



# Seven strategic actions to guide IHR(2005) implementation

	Strategic action	Goal	
GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP			<b>Awareness</b>
1	Foster global partnerships	WHO, all countries and all relevant sectors (e.g. health, agriculture, travel, trade, education, defence) are aware of the new rules and collaborate to provide the best available technical support and, where needed, mobilize the necessary resources for effective implementation of IHR (2005).	
STRENGTHEN NATIONAL CAPACITY			<b>Four key technical area</b>
2	Strengthen surveillance and control systems	Strengthen surveillance and control systems to meet the risk of international disease spread.	
3	Strengthen security in air, sea and transport	Strengthen security in air, sea and transport performance, public health measures and response capacity at designated airports, ports and ground crossings in all countries.	
PREVENT AND RESPOND TO INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCIES			
4	Strengthen and improve international public health	Strengthen and improve international public health	
5	Strengthen the management of specific risks	Systematic international and national management of the risks known to allow specific substances.	
LEGAL ISSUES AND MONITORING			<b>A legal and monitoring framework</b>
6	Sustain rights, obligations and procedures	New legal mechanisms as set out in the Regulations are fully developed and upheld; all professionals involved in implementing IHR (2005) have a clear understanding of, and sustain, the new rights, obligations and procedures laid out in the Regulations.	
7	Conduct studies and monitor progress	Indicators are identified and collected regularly to monitor and evaluate IHR (2005) implementation at national and international levels. WHO Secretariat reports on progress to the World Health Assembly. Specific studies are proposed to facilitate and improve implementation of the Regulations.	

<sup>a</sup> Strategic actions 2–5 are key because they call for significantly strengthened national and global efforts.

## GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP

1

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- **Other Technical Intergovernmental organizations**

e.g. FAO, OIE, ICAO, IMO, UNWTO, IAEA, WTO, UNEP ...

- **Development agencies / Regional intergovernmental organizations**

e.g. AFD, CIDA, DFID, JAICA, USAID, ADB, ASEAN, EC, MERCOSUR, WB ...

- **WHO Collaborating Centres and Technical partners**

International Networks / National agencies / NGOs: e.g. GOARN, IANPHI, Pasteur IN, MSF, TEPHINET, DoD-GEIS, ICMM, CDC, ECDC, HPA, InVS ...

- **Industry associations** e.g. ACI, IATA, ISF, ISO ...

- **Professional societies** e.g. ASM, APHL, ISTM ...



## STRENGTHEN NATIONAL CAPACITY

2

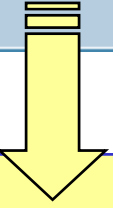
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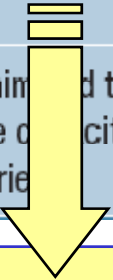
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**Strengthen public health security in travel and transport**

The risk of international spread of disease is minimized through effective permanent public health measures and response capacity at designated airports, ports and ground crossings in all countries.

- 
- Ports
  - Airports
  - Ground crossings

**Intersectoral**

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- Health system
  - Epidemiology
  - Laboratory
  - Preparedness
  - Case management
  - Infection control
  - Social mobilisation
  - Communication
  - ...

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Core capacity requirements for surveillance and response (**Annex 1A**):

“capacity to detect, assess, notify and report events ...”

### • Timeline

2 years + 3 + (2) + (up to 2)

2007

2009

2012

2014

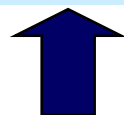
2016

Planning

Implementation

Possible extensions

**“As soon as possible but no later than five years from entry into force ...”**



15 June 2009

(Annex 1A): “**capacity to detect, assess, notify and report events** in accordance with these Regulations ...”.

### Investing in

- **Human resources** (training, distance learning, twinning programmes ...)
- **Infrastructure** (buildings, equipments, logistics ...)
- **Standard Operating Procedures** (investigation, response, biosafety ...)

### Focusing on

- **Laboratory quality system** (EQA programmes, biosafety, specimen collection, lab regional network ...)
- **Event-base surveillance system** (epidemic intelligence, field investigation, data analysis, risk assessment, reporting ...)
- **Communication** (social mobilization, media, web ...)

### Building on

- National and Regional strategies (e.g. APSED, IDSR)





# External Quality Assessment Programme

## Africa: 74 Laboratories from 47 countries

### Diagnostic capacity:

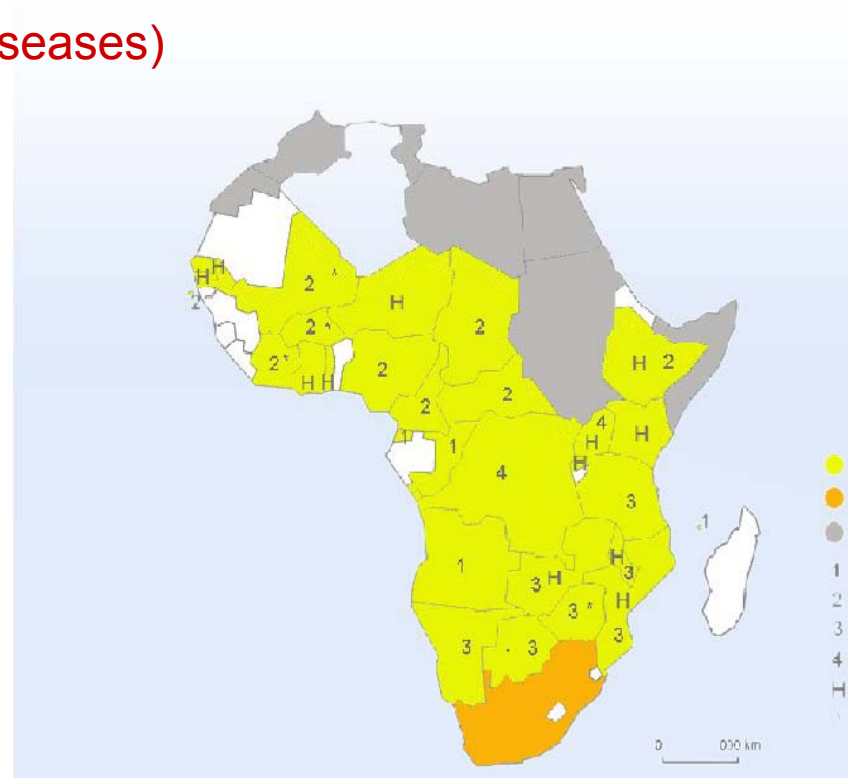
- Enteric pathogens (Diarrhoeal diseases)
- Bacterial meningitides
- Plague
- Tuberculosis
- Malaria

### Languages:

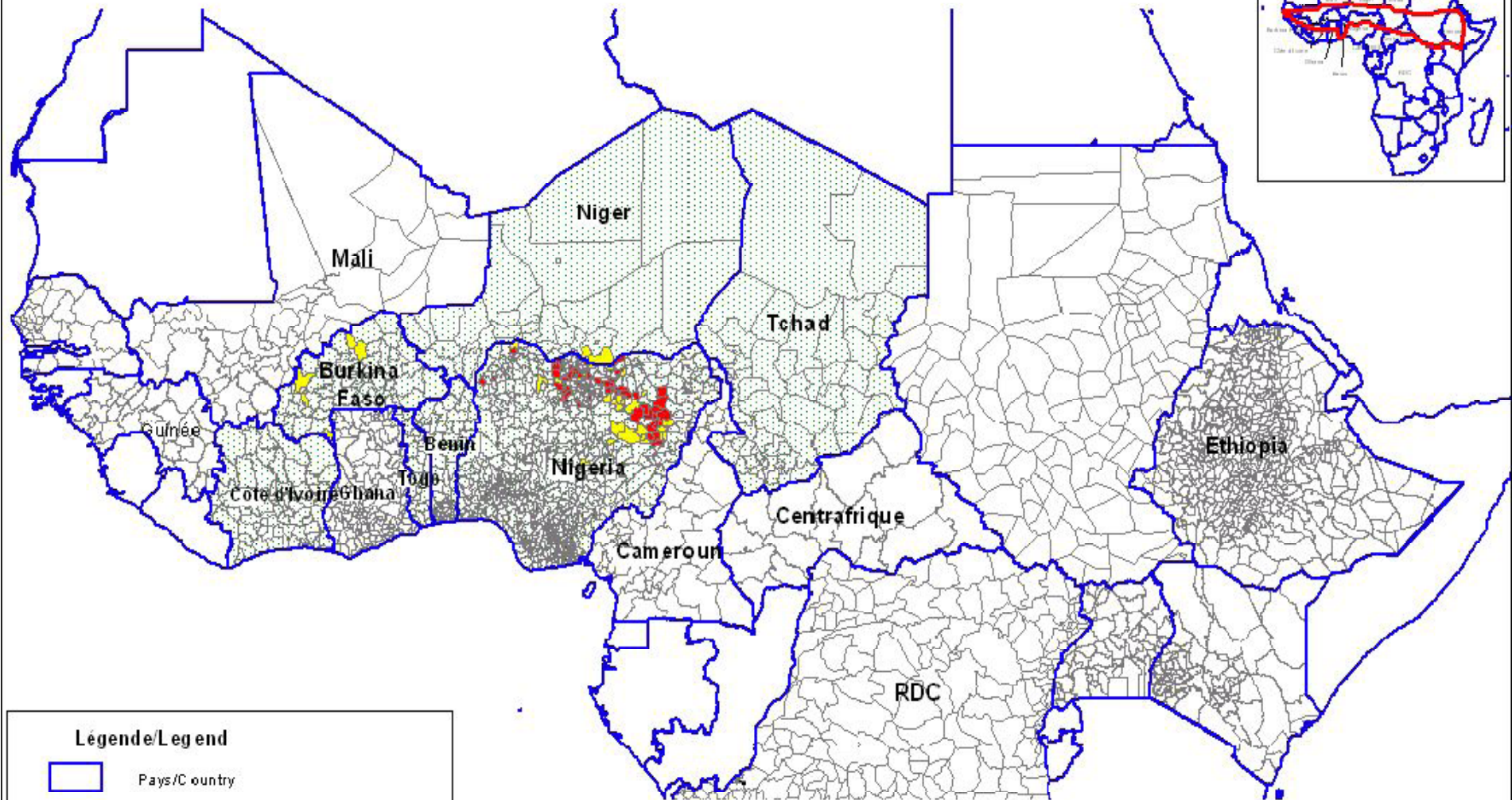
- French: 22 countries
- English: 20 countries
- Portuguese: 5 countries

**3 panels per year**

**Support:** WHO LYON Office / NICD, Johannesburg / USAID



# Map of meningitis attack rates by district by country at week 9, 2009



**Légende/Legend**

- Pays/Country

Taux d'attaque /Attack Rate (x 100.000 hbts)

- Pas d'information /No Data
- Acceptable
- Atteint au moins une fois le seuil d'Alerte  
Reached the Alert threshold
- Atteint au moins une fois le seuil d'Épidémie  
Reached the Epidemic threshold

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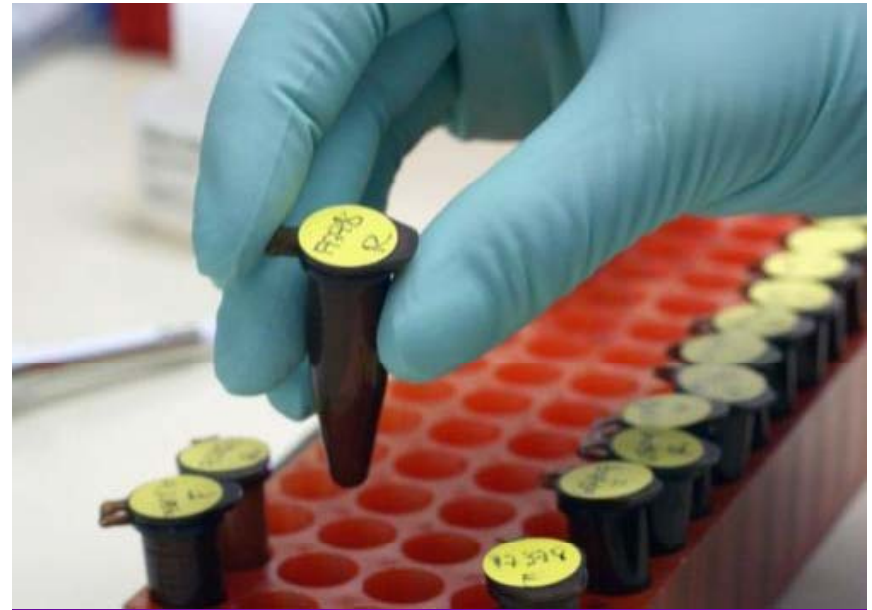
## Biotechnology revolution

### Powerful, rapid, affordable

- Rapid diagnostic tests (e.g. *HIV, influenza, plague, cholera, meningitis*)
- PCR machines (a global epidemic!)
- BSL3 / 4 laboratories (projects ongoing in many countries)
- Private sector is driving the change

### A revolution which is not over

- How a laboratory will look like in 2020?



## Inform@tion revolution

"The nations of the world are caught up in a revolution: a technological revolution, which is bringing about dramatic changes in the way we live..."

Tom Forester *in* High-Tech Society: The Story of the Information Technology Revolution

... and is bringing dramatic changes in the way we conduct disease surveillance

- how surveillance will look like in 2020?



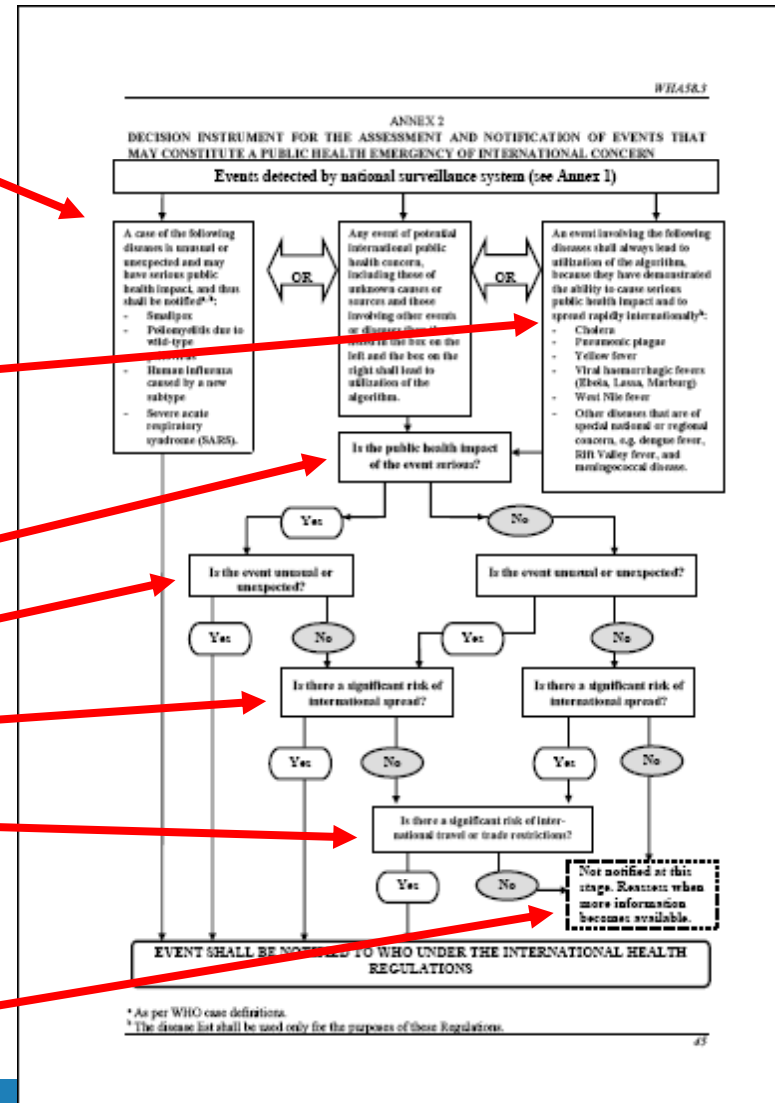
# Decision instrument (Annex 2)

4 diseases that shall be notified  
**polio (wild-type polio virus),  
 smallpox, human influenza new  
 subtype, SARS.**

Disease that shall always lead to  
 utilization of the algorithm: **cholera,  
 pneumonic plague, yellow fever,  
 VHF (Ebola, Lassa, Marburg), WNF,  
 others....**

- Q1: public health impact serious?
- Q2: unusual or unexpected?
- Q3: risk of international spread?
- Q4: risk of travel/trade restriction?

**Insufficient information: reassess**



### 3

#### Strengthen public health security in travel and transport

The risk of international spread of disease is minimized through effective permanent public health measures and response capacity at designated airports, ports and ground crossings in all countries.

- **At all times**
  - Access to medical service
  - Transport of ill travellers
  - Inspection of conveyances (e.g. Ship Sanitation Control Certificate)
  - **Control of vectors / reservoirs**
- **For responding to events**
  - **Emergency contingency plan**
  - Arrangement for isolation (human, animal)
  - Space for interview / quarantine
  - Apply specific control measures

#### Annex 1B



# CHALLENGES

## STRENGTHEN NATIONAL CAPACITY

## NATIONAL SURVEILLANCE

- ▶ **No one size fits all**
  - diversity of national systems
  - national legislation
- ▶ **Special areas**
  - With little or no government control
  - Megacities and periurban areas
- ▶ **Donors partly on board**
  - no global cost estimate
  - cross cutting not attractive
  - monitoring indicators currently being field tested



## PREVENT AND RESPOND TO INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCIES

4

**Strengthen WHO global alert and response systems**

Timely and effective coordinated response to international public health risks and public health emergencies of international concern.



Initial Screening

Verification with  
Member States

Risk Assessment

Response Strategy and Operations

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# IHR (2005): 10 Parts, 66 Articles, 9 Annexes

**PART I DEFINITIONS, PURPOSE AND SCOPE, PRINCIPLES AND RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES**

**PART II INFORMATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE**

**PART III RECOMMENDATIONS**

**PART IV POINTS OF ENTRY**

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**Chapter I General provisions**

**Chapter II Special provisions for conveyances and conveyance operators**

**Chapter III Special provisions for travellers**

**Chapter IV Special provisions for goods, containers and container loading areas**

**PART VI HEALTH DOCUMENTS**

**PART VII CHARGES**

**PART VIII GENERAL PROVISION**

**PART IX THE ROSTER OF EXPERTS, THE EMERGENCY COMMITTEE AND THE REVIEW COMMITTEE**

**Chapter I The IHR Roster of Experts**

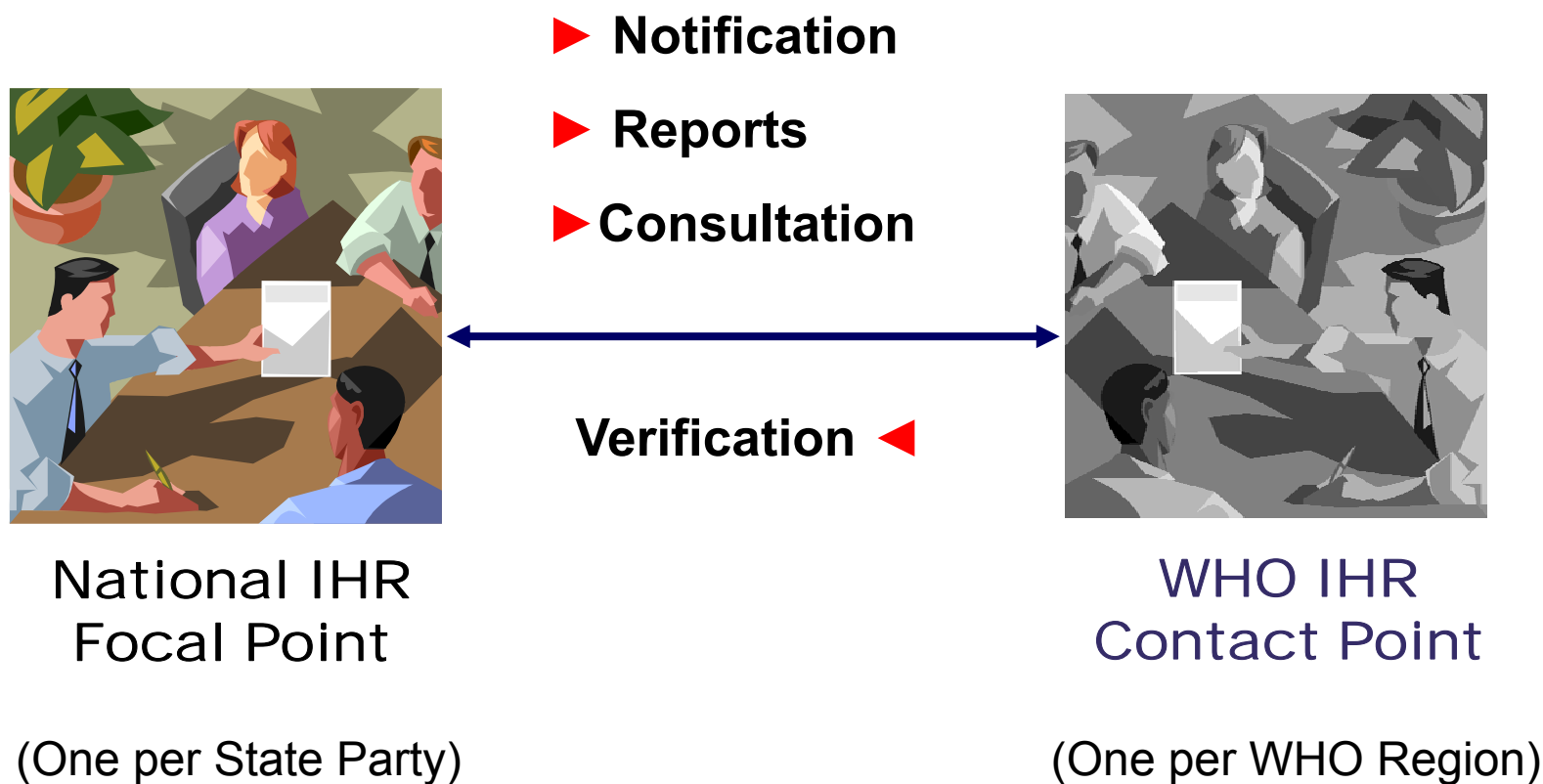
**Chapter II The Emergency Committee**

**Chapter III The Review Committee**

**PART X FINAL PROVISIONS**

## Responsible authorities (Article 4)

“National IHR Focal Point” means the national centre, designated by each State Party, which shall be **accessible at all times** for communications with WHO IHR Contact Points under these Regulations;



## PART II – INFORMATION AND PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE

Article 5 ~~Surveillance~~

“capacity to detect, assess, notify and report events in accordance with this Regulations ...”

Article 6 ~~Notification~~

all event that may constitute a Public Health Emergency of International Concern

Article 7 ~~Information-sharing~~

Article 8 ~~Consultation~~

... irrespective of origin or source... shall provide to WHO all relevant public health information

Article 9 ~~Other reports~~

Article 10 ~~Verification~~

If insufficient information to notify, State Party can consult with WHO

Article 11 ~~Provision of information~~

Article 12 ~~Determination of~~

... where it is duly justified may WHO maintain the confidentiality of the source

Article 13 ~~Public health response~~

Article 14 ~~Cooperation of WHO~~

initial reply within 24h. ...WHO shall offer to collaborate ...  
If the State Party does not accept the offer of collaboration  
... WHO may share with other States Parties

WHO shall not make information generally available to other States Parties unless ...



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<a href="#">Interactive mapping with data from EMS</a>	19/03/2008 17:26

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	<a href="#">20090406_Daily List</a> !NEW	Daily list	06/04/2009

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**Agenda  
22 April 2009**

Event ID	Hazard	Syndrome	Disease	Aetiology	Country	Verification	Incoming dt	Last update
<b>New event</b>								
2009-E-3545	Infectious	Acute Watery Diarrhoeal Syndrome			Nigeria	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2009-04-03	2009-04-20
<b>Ongoing event</b>								
2009-E-3538	Infectious	Acute Respiratory Syndrome			Russian Federation	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2009-04-15	2009-04-21
2008-E-3370	Infectious		Cholera		South Africa	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2008-11-20	2009-04-21
2009-E-3484	Infectious		Cholera		Zambia	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2009-02-27	2009-04-21
2008-E-3353	Infectious	Acute Watery Diarrhoeal Syndrome	Cholera	V. cholerae O1 Ogawa	Mozambique	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2008-11-04	2009-04-21
1959-J10-11-ID	Animal	Acute Respiratory Syndrome	Influenza due to identified avian or animal influenza virus	H5N1	Indonesia	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2005-07-13	2009-04-21
2009-E-3520	Infectious		Meningococcal disease	N. meningitidis serogroup A	Central African Republic	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2009-03-26	2009-04-21
2009-E-3536	Undetermined	Unknown and unspecified causes of morbidity or			Nepal	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2009-04-14	2009-04-17
2009-E-3532	Infectious		Cholera	V. cholerae O1 Ogawa	Paraguay	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2009-04-08	2009-04-16
2008-E-3367	Infectious		Cholera		Zimbabwe	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2008-11-18	2009-04-20
2008-E-3402	Animal	Acute Respiratory Syndrome	Influenza due to identified avian or animal influenza virus	H5N1	Egypt	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2008-12-16	2009-04-20
2009-E-3531	Infectious		Meningococcal disease	N. Meningitidis serogroup A,	Chad	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2009-04-03	2009-04-15
2009-E-3493	Infectious		Meningococcal disease	N. meningitidis serogroup A	Niger	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2009-03-04	2009-04-17
2009-E-3451	Infectious		Meningococcal disease	N. meningitidis, serogroup A	Sudan	No verification requested	2009-02-03	2009-04-14
2009-E-3432	Infectious		Meningococcal disease	N. meningitidis serogroup A	Uganda	WHO-NFP risk assessment concluded	2009-01-22	2009-04-02
2008-E-3405	Infectious	Acute Neurological Syndrome, unspecified	Meningococcal disease	N. meningitidis serogroup A, W135	Nigeria	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2008-12-17	2009-04-16
2009-E-3518	Infectious		Yellow Fever		Congo	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2009-03-24	2009-04-17

Color legend:  New event  Update received by ARO  Awaiting update

One week later ...

**Agenda**  
29 April 2009

Event ID	Hazard	Syndrome	Disease	Aetiology	Country	Verification	Incoming dt	Last update
<b>New event</b>								
2009-E-3568	Infectious	Acute Respiratory Syndrome		(suspected swine influenza)	Belgium	Verification requested from NFP	2009-04-27	2009-04-28
2009-E-3569	Infectious	Acute Respiratory Syndrome		(suspected swine influenza)	Czech Republic	Verification requested from NFP	2009-04-28	2009-04-28
2009-E-3567	Infectious	Acute Respiratory Syndrome		(suspected swine influenza)	Germany	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2009-04-27	2009-04-28
2009-E-3572	Infectious	Acute Respiratory Syndrome		(suspected swine influenza)	Ireland	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2009-04-28	2009-04-28
2009-E-3570	Infectious	Acute Respiratory Syndrome		(suspected swine influenza)	Italy	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2009-04-27	2009-04-28
2009-E-3571	Infectious	Acute Respiratory Syndrome		(suspected swine influenza)	Russian Federation	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2009-04-28	2009-04-28
2009-E-3565	Infectious	Acute Respiratory Syndrome		(suspected swine influenza)	Sweden	Verification requested from NFP	2009-04-27	2009-04-28
2009-E-3566	Infectious	Acute Respiratory Syndrome		(Suspected swine influenza)	Switzerland	Verification requested from NFP	2009-04-27	2009-04-28
<b>Ongoing event</b>								
2009-E-3555	Infectious	Acute Respiratory Syndrome		(suspected swine influenza)	France	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2009-04-26	2009-04-28
2009-E-3556	Infectious	Acute Respiratory Syndrome	Influenza due to identified avian or animal influenza virus	Swine influenza A/H1N1	Israel	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2009-04-26	2009-04-28
2009-E-3542	Infectious	Acute Respiratory Syndrome	Influenza due to identified avian or animal influenza virus	Swine influenza A/H1N1	Mexico	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2009-04-16	2009-04-28
2009-E-3553	Infectious	Acute Respiratory Syndrome	Influenza due to identified avian or animal influenza virus	Swine influenza A/H1N1	New Zealand	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2009-04-26	2009-04-28
2009-E-3554	Infectious	Acute Respiratory Syndrome	Influenza due to identified avian or animal influenza virus	Swine influenza A/H1N1	Spain	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2009-04-26	2009-04-28
2009-E-3415	Animal	Acute Respiratory Syndrome	Influenza due to identified avian or animal influenza virus	HSN1	Viet Nam	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2009-01-05	2009-04-28
2009-E-3559	Infectious			(suspected swine influenza)	Colombia	Verification requested from NFP	2009-04-27	2009-04-27
2009-E-3558	Infectious	Acute Respiratory Syndrome		(suspected swine influenza)	Australia	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2009-04-27	2009-04-27
2009-E-3557	Infectious	Acute Respiratory Syndrome		(suspected swine influenza)	Costa Rica	Verification requested from NFP	2009-04-26	2009-04-27
2009-E-3538	Infectious	Acute Respiratory Syndrome			Russian Federation	WHO-NFP risk assessment ongoing	2009-04-15	2009-04-21

Color legend:  New event  Update received by ARO  Awaiting update

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<p>Hazard: ANIMAL Syndrome: ACUTE RESPIRATORY SYNDROME Disease: INFLUENZA DUE TO IDENTIFIED AVIAN OR ANIMAL INFLUENZA VIRUS Aetiology: H5N1 Event ID 2008-E-3402</p> <p>INITIAL REPORT: News media (including all news media, GPHIN, ProMED) GPHIN 2008-12-16</p>	<p>EGYPT Asyot, Monofya, Minia 2008-12-13</p> <p>FIRST REPORT VERIFIED 2008-12-16 cases: 1; deaths : 1 UNOFFICIAL 2008-12-31 cases: 1; deaths : LAST UPDATE: GPHIN 2009-01-26 VERIFIED cases: ; deaths : UNOFFICIAL cases: 1; deaths : NEW AFFECTED AREAS: CONFIRMED BY: LABORATORY: Yes NAMRU-3</p>	<p>LAST INCOMING INFO 2009-03-11 EMRO: MoH reported a new confirmed human case; a one and a half year old female from Menofia Governorate. Her symptoms began on 6 March and she was hospitalized on 9 March where she remains in a stable condition. Infection with H5N1 avian influenza was confirmed on 10 March by the Egyptian Central Public Health Laboratory.</p> <p>Investigations into the source of her infection indicate a history of close contact with dead and sick poultry prior to becoming ill.</p> <p>Of the 58 cases confirmed to date in Egypt, 23 have been fatal</p> <p>SUMMARY INFO • 2009-03-10 - DON publication: MoH reported a new confirmed human case; a two and a half year old male from Amaria District, Alexandria Governorate. His symptoms began on 3 March and he was hospitalized at Alexandria Fever Hospital where he remains in a stable condition. Infection with H5N1 avian influenza was confirmed by the Egyptian Central Public Health Laboratory on 4 March.</p> <p>Investigations into the source of infection indicate a history of close contact with dead and sick poultry prior to becoming ill.</p> <p>Of the 57 cases confirmed to date in Egypt, 23 have been fatal. • 2009-03-05 - GPHIN: 8 y.o. male suspected of having human AI from Alexandria Province. The case has a history of close contact with sick and dead poultry.</p>	<p>POINTS OF CONTACT HQ: Keiji Fukuda RO: H. El Mahdi El Bushra</p> <p>Daily list: 2008-12-16</p> <p>IHR site (ex OVL): No (0)</p> <p>Web: No Press release: No</p> <p>CRITERIA FOR INT.C. • Serious Public Health Impact • Unusual or unexpected • Int. travel or trade</p>
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EMRO: confirms 57th case for Egypt in a 2.5 y.o. male from Amaria District, Alexandria Governorate. Onset of symptoms began on 3 March and was hospitalized at Alexandria Fever Hospital on the same day. The child received treatment with Tamiflu on the same day of hospitalization (3 March). Infection with H5N1 avian influenza was confirmed by the Egyptian Central Public Health Laboratory on the 4th of March. Investigations into the source of infection indicate a history of close contact with dead and sick poultry prior to becoming ill. The child is in a good health condition and he is stable.

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## Alerte et action en cas d'épidémie et de pandémie

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## Grippe aviaire – situation en Égypte – bulletin n°7

11 mars 2009 -- Le Ministère égyptien de la Santé et de la Population a annoncé un nouveau cas humain confirmé de grippe aviaire. Il s'agit d'une petite fille d'un an et demi dans le Gouvernorat de Menoufia. Ses symptômes sont apparus le 6 mars, elle a été hospitalisée le 9 et se trouve actuellement dans un état stationnaire. Son infection par le virus H5N1 de la grippe aviaire a été confirmée le 10 mars par le Laboratoire central égyptien de la santé publique.

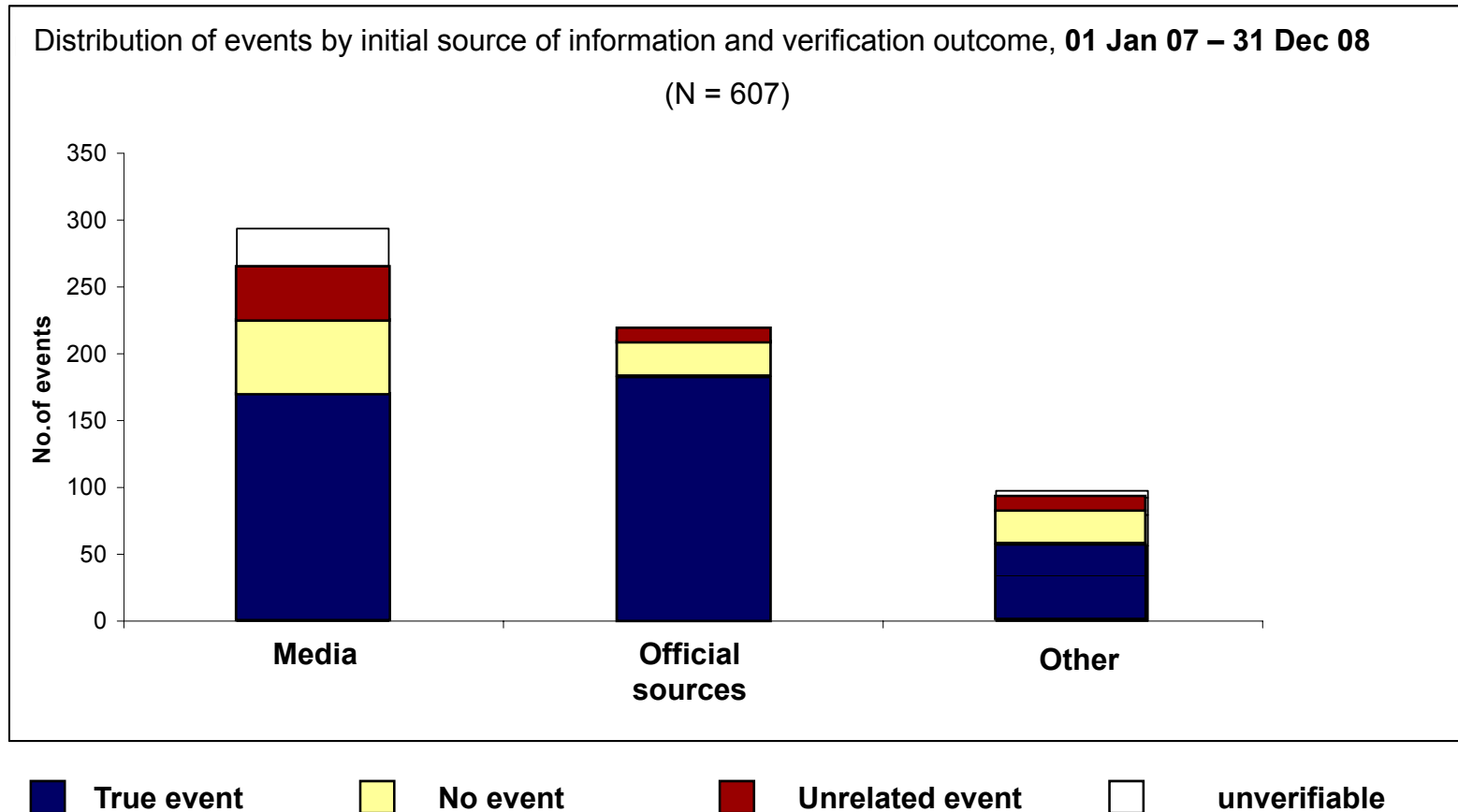
L'enquête sur l'origine de son infection indique des contacts rapprochés avec des volailles malades et mortes avant la survenue de sa maladie.

Sur les 58 cas confirmés jusqu'ici en Égypte, 23 ont été mortels.



## Information sources and verification outcome

Media remain a key source of timely primary information



## Type of events: June 2007 - January 2008, n = 210

<b>Type</b>	<b>Infectious</b>	<b>123</b>
	Animal	38
	Food safety	19
	Undetermined	17
	Product	8
	Chemical	4
	Natural disaster	1

### Initial information source

<b>Media</b>	<b>103</b>
IHR NFP or Government	43
Other org., NGOs, etc.	38
WHO	22
Foreign government	4

### WHO coordinated response (GOARN)

H5N1, Pakistan / Ebola, Uganda / Ebola, DRC /  
RVF, Sudan / Marburg, Uganda



# Information for action

## GOARN Support System at WHO

### Operational Support Team

- GOARN management
- Field epidemiology unit

### Logistics unit

- Field logistics
- Stockpiles
- Logistics mobility unit (Dubai)

### Electronic tools

- Event Management System (EMS)
- Field Information Management System (FIMS)
- Early Warning Alert and Response System (EWARN)

### Strategic Health Operations Centre (SHOC)



# WHO Strategic Health Operations Centre (SHOC), May 2009

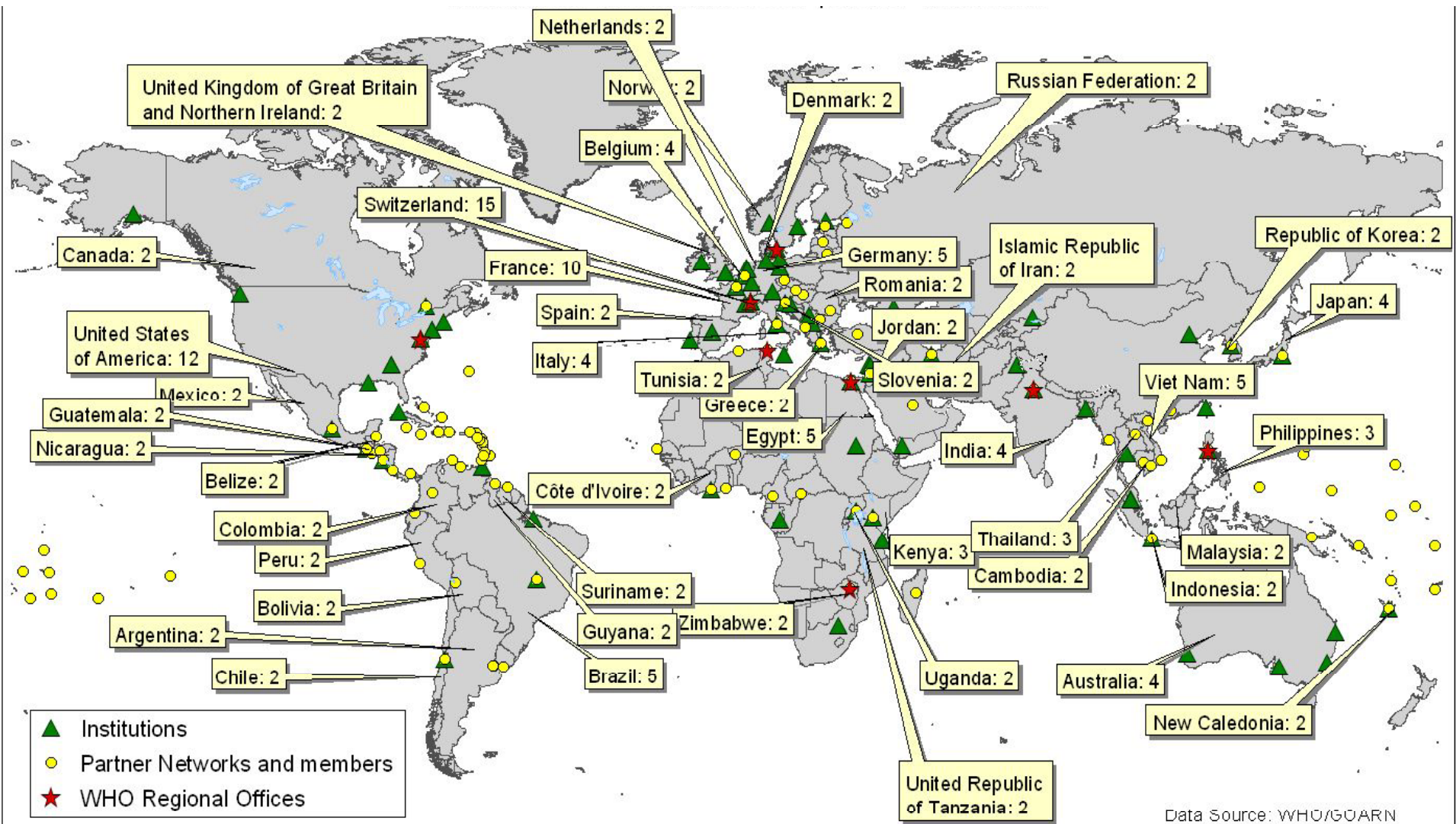


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# GOARN: Institutions and Partner Network



- ▲ Institutions
- Partner Networks and members
- ★ WHO Regional Offices



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**Morning meeting site**

This site is developed in order to support information dissemination about events of potential international concern. The primary purpose of this site is to support the 09:00 hours Morning Meeting. This meeting is the central coordination mechanism and decision-making forum regarding the management of acute public health emergencies for WHO Alert and Response Operations. [READ MORE](#)

**In the last 24 hours...**

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20071112daily List	Daily list	12/11/2007

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# States Parties

Event Information Site for IHR National Focal Points

**Current Events**

This site has been developed by WHO to facilitate secure communications with the IHR National Focal Points (NFP) part of the implementation of the International Health Regulations (2005). Information on this site is provided by WHO to National Focal Points, in confidence, as specified in Article 11.1 of the (2005).

**Current Events**

This section lists ongoing events which are currently being assessed against the criteria for public health risk: international importance under the IHR (2005).

Click an event's **Updated** link to see the current risk assessment and most recent updates for the event.

Updated	Country	Hazard	Syndrome	Disease	Initial Information On	IHR Status
2007/11/07	Peru	Product		Adverse effects of viral vaccines	2007/10/16	Public Health Risk (PHR)
2007/11/07	New Zealand	Product	Acute Neurological Syndrome, unsp...	Organic solvents, other, toxic effe...	2007/11/06	Public Health Risk (PHR)
2007/11/07	Australia	Product	Acute Neurological Syndrome, unsp...	Organic solvents, other, toxic effe...	2007/11/06	Public Health Risk (PHR)
2007/10/30	Sudan	Infectious	Acute Haemorrhagic Fever Syndrome	Rift Valley Fever	2007/10/17	Public Health Risk (PHR)

# Operations

GOARN Global Outbreak Alert and Response Network

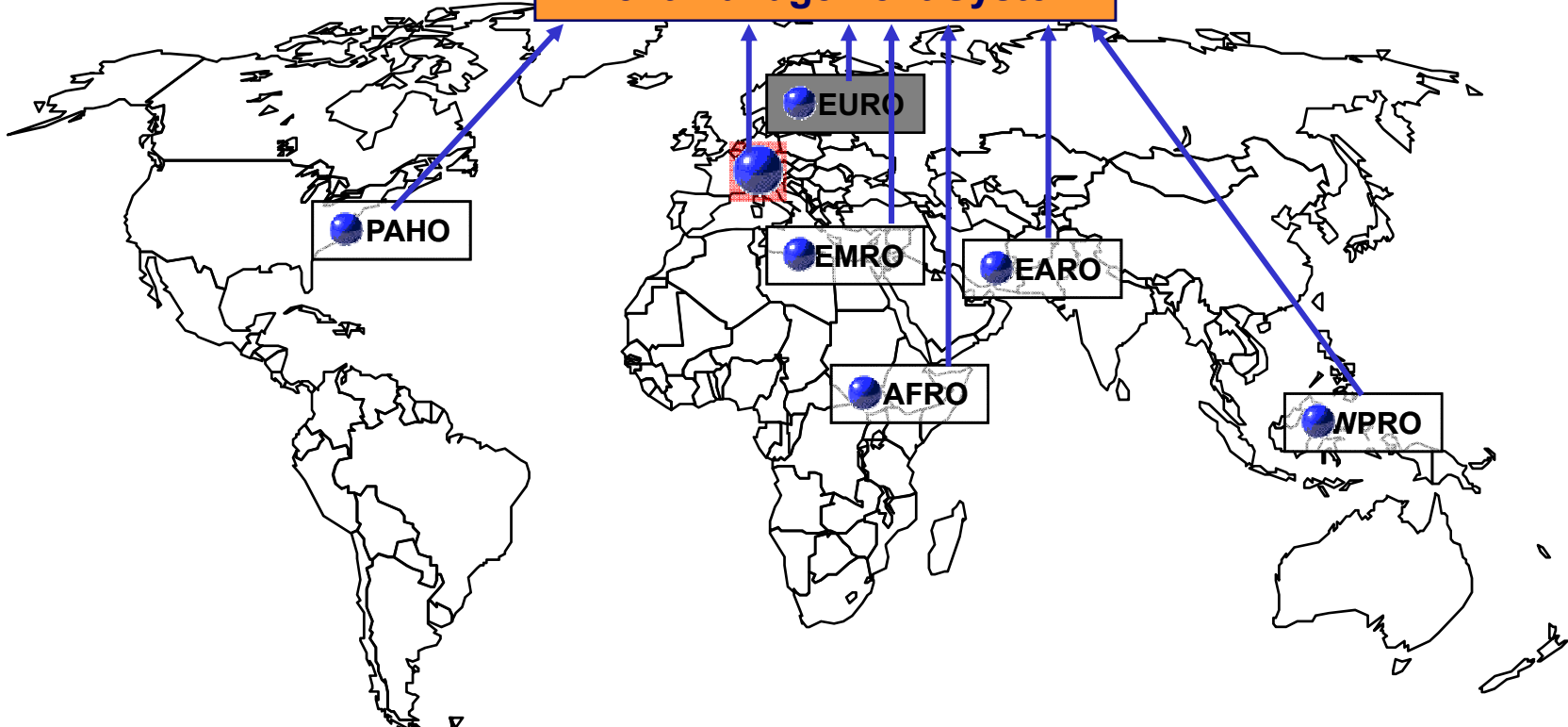
**Current Events**

Weekly Outbreak Verification List Events (03<sup>rd</sup> March 2007)



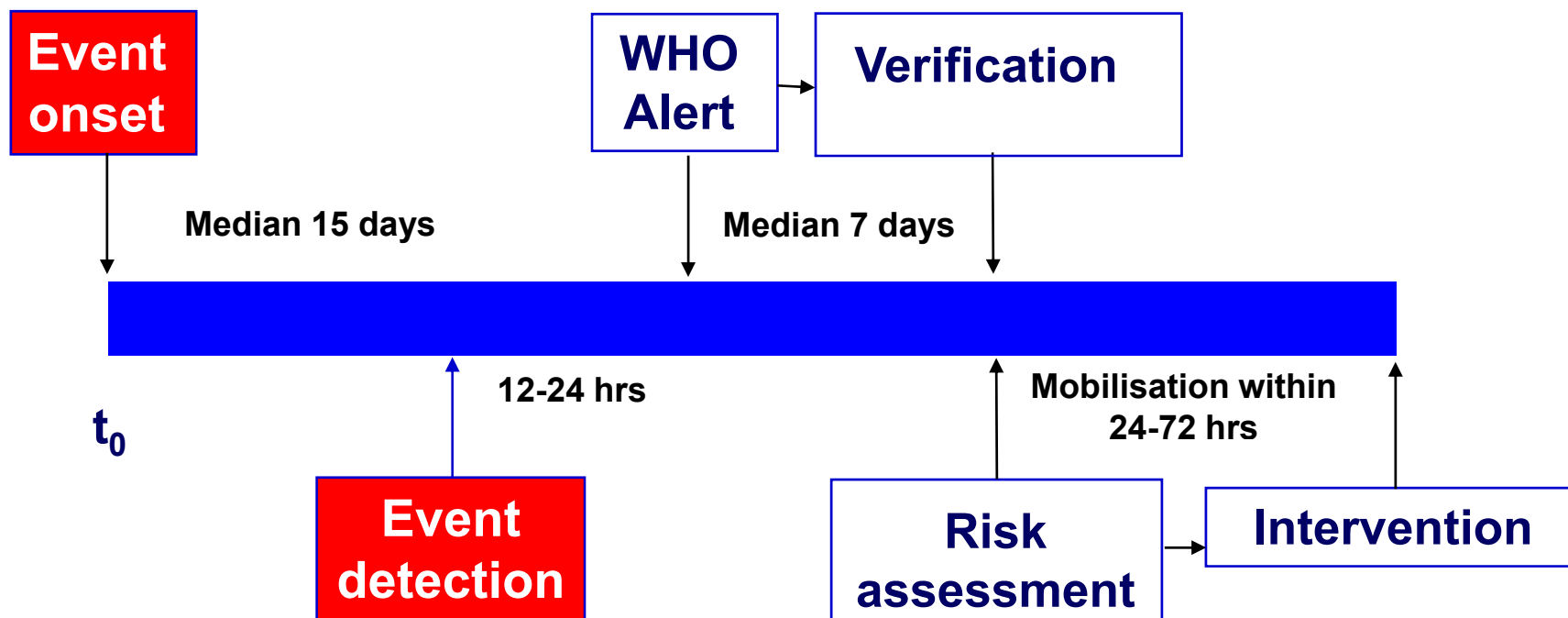
Event Name	Country	Status	Date of Onset
Measles (D16) (Measles) Fever	Peru	Verified	05/01/2007
Influenza A (H5N1) (Avian Influenza)	South Africa's Democratic Republic	Verified	05/02/2007
Haemorrhagic Disease	Equatorial Guinea	Verified	06/01/2007
Dysentery	Congo, Democratic Republic of	Verified	06/01/2007
Haemorrhagic Disease	Spain	Verified	13/01/2007
Haemorrhagic Disease	Congo, Democratic Republic of	Verified	02/01/2007
Acute Haemorrhagic Conjunctivitis	Indonesia	Verified	23/11/2006
Haemorrhagic Disease	Spain	Verified	21/11/2006
Acute Haemorrhagic Conjunctivitis	Malawi	Verified	23/01/2006
Influenza	Congo, Democratic Republic of	Verified	19/01/2006
Influenza	Niger	Verified	23/02/2006
Influenza	France	Verified	28/01/2006
Influenza (H5N1) (Avian Influenza)	China	Verified	23/02/2005
Influenza	Indonesia	Verified	13/01/2005

## Event Management System



# Timelines

Depend on both National and Global Efforts



## PREVENT AND RESPOND TO INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCIES

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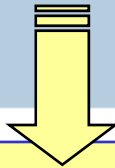
**Strengthen WHO global alert and response systems**

Timely and effective coordinated response to international public health risks and public health emergencies of international concern.

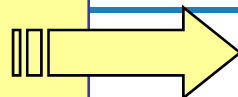
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**Strengthen the management of specific risks**

Systematic international and national management of the risks known to threaten international health security, such as influenza, meningitis, yellow fever, SARS, poliomyelitis, food contamination, chemical and radioactive substances.



- Influenza
- Polio
- SARS
- Smallpox
- Cholera
- Meningitis
- Yellow fever
- Food safety
- Chemical safety
- Radionuclear safety
- ...
- Tuberculosis
- Malaria
- HIV/AIDS
- EPI



**Driving forces at country level ...** but vertical and not integrated

**> 95% of day-to-day threats to global public health security**



## BTWC Article X

- ▶ Grants the States Parties to the Convention the right to participate in, and the undertaking to facilitate, the **exchange of equipment, materials and information for the use of biological agents for peaceful purposes, as well as scientific cooperation in the field.**
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## IHR Art 5

- ▶ Each State Party shall develop, strengthen and maintain, as soon as possible but no later than five years from entry into force of these Regulations for State Party, the **capacity to detect, assess, notify and report events** in accordance with these Regulations, as specified in Annex 1.

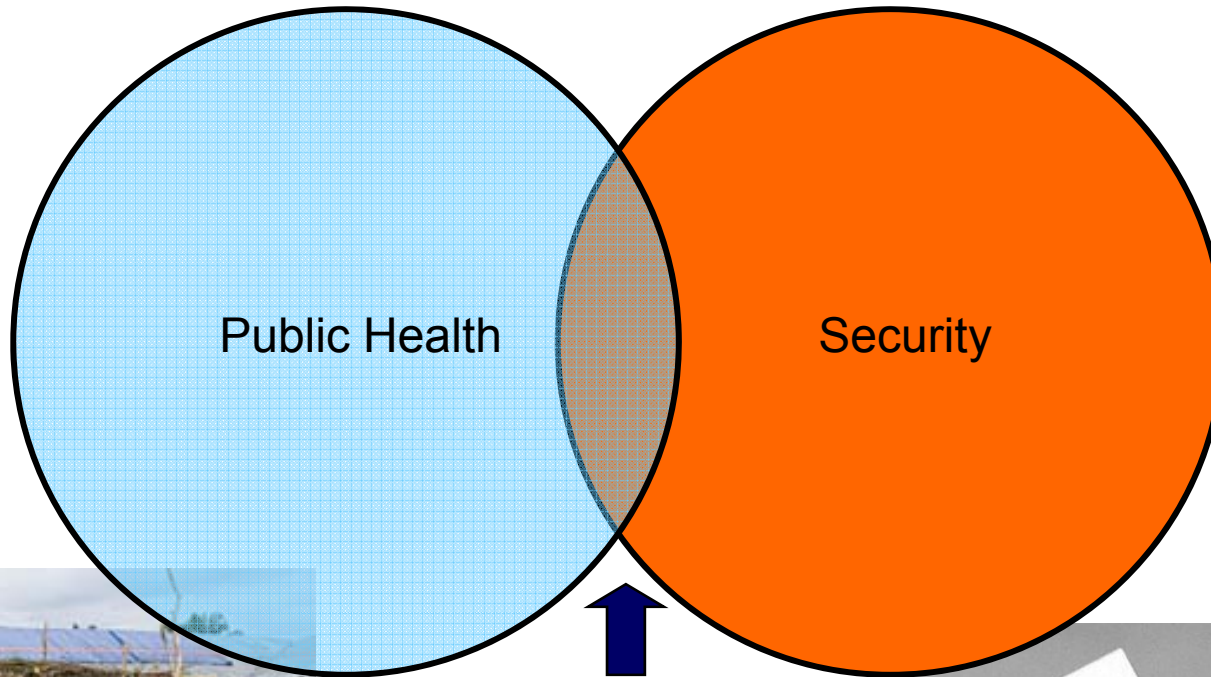
## Art.44 Collaboration and assistance

44.1 States Parties shall undertake to collaborate with each other, to the extent possible, in:

- (a) the detection and assessment of, and response to, events as provided under these Regulations;
- (b) the provision or facilitation of technical cooperation and logistical support, particularly in the development, strengthening and maintenance of the public health capacities required under these Regulations; and
- (c) ...

# A Challenge for Intersectoral Collaboration

avoid intersectoral confusion!



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Thank you

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