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Resolution n° 5

Area for Intervention related to Intellectual Property (IP): “Supporting the use of TRIPS flexibilities”

The Executive Board recalls section 1.2 of the UNITAID Constitution which states, “where intellectual property barriers hamper competition and price reductions, it will support the use by countries of compulsory licensing or other flexibilities under the framework of the Doha declaration on Trade-Related Aspects on Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS) Agreement and Public Health, when applicable.”

Having considered the analysis presented by the Secretariat during the 26th Session of the UNITAID Executive Board on the basis of Board document UNITAID/EB26/2016/8 entitled “UNITAID’s Approach to Intellectual Property”, the Board recognizes the need for UNITAID to support measures aimed at encouraging the sharing and promoting of best practices regarding the adoption, protection and use of TRIPS flexibilities with a view to increasing equitable access to affordable and appropriately formulated medicines.

The Executive Board requests the Secretariat to launch targeted calls for proposals within this Area for Intervention, and to present progress on implementation to the Policy and Strategy Committee.

The Board’s endorsement of this Area for Intervention has no budgetary implications.

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**Celso Amorim
Chair of the UNITAID Executive Board**