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**WHO EXPERT COMMITTEE ON THE SELECTION AND USE OF ESSENTIAL
MEDICINES**

**Open Session, Salle C, WHO headquarters
Geneva, 7 March 2005**

DRAFT AGENDA FOR THE OPEN SESSION

09:30 **Opening by the Chair**

09:35 **Opening remarks by Director, Medicines Policy and Standards (PSM)**

09:40 **Update on current activities**

Selection of essential medicines

- Dissemination of Report of the 13th Expert Committee
- Future EC meetings and publication of the Model Formulary
- WHO Model Formulary 2004, CD-ROM - national formulary adaptation - WHO Medicines Bookshelf - web-based WHO Essential Medicines Library
- Review of medicines for reproductive health
- Interagency Emergency Health Kit 2005
- Report of Advisory Committee on safety of medicinal products

Rational Drug Use

- International Conference on Improving Use of Medicines 2004
- Report on WHO Executive Board Draft Resolution on promoting rational drug use

10:30 Coffee/tea

11:00 **Update on current activities** (continued)

Methodology:

- International Society of Drug Bulletins section and single medicine reviews, experience & process

11:30 **Comments on agenda items**

Participant Statements*

12:30 **Closure**

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