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**Draft resolution**

Item 4.2 of the provisional agenda

35 C/DR.06 \*  
(COM SHS)

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Original: English

**Amendment to the Draft Programme and Budget for 2010-2011 (35 C/5)**

Submitted by **IRAN (Islamic Republic of)**

**Part II.A – Programmes:**

Major Programme III: Social and human sciences

Resolution No.: 03000

Biennial sectoral priority 2: Addressing emerging global ethical issues

Paragraph: (xiii)

Budgetary implications  
indicated by the sponsor: \$70,000

Source of financing  
proposed by the sponsor: Regular budget and extrabudgetary resources provided for MLA 4

**Proposed modification:**

Biennial sectoral priority 2, item (xiii), 5th bullet

- **regional and** international cooperation in the field of bioethics and strengthened cooperation with the relevant regional **centres** and intergovernmental institutions active in the field of bioethics, for example the Pan-American Health Organization (PAHO) through PAHO's Regional Bioethics Programme based in Santiago, Chile, and the UNESCO REDBIOETICA;

**Explanatory note:**

Recalling the UNESCO Declaration on Bioethics and Human Rights (2005) and the Tehran Statement adopted by the International Congress of Bioethics held in the Islamic Republic of Iran

\* This proposal was received by the Secretariat on 19 August 2009.

(2005) which emphasized regional and international cooperation in the field of bioethics; considering UNESCO's proposed programmes for 2010-2011 in the draft resolution 35 C/5 (Volume I) emphasizing the regional and international cooperation in the field of bioethics; the Director-General is requested to:

- modify proposed resolution 03000, Biennial sectoral priority 2, paragraph (xiii) and to enhance international and regional cooperation in the field of bioethics;
- support the establishment of the Asia and the Pacific regional centre for bioethics (category 2) in the Islamic Republic of Iran under the auspices of UNESCO and to carry out the feasibility study to that end;

The objective of the mentioned Centre would be:

- promoting respect for human dignity, human rights and cultural diversity;
- strengthening cooperation among countries in promoting bioethical issues, education, capacity-building and conducting research and studies in the region;
- facilitating the implementation of the UNESCO three declarations on bioethics, in particular, the Declaration on Bioethics and Human Rights in the Asia and the Pacific region.