



**Governing Council
Sixty-eighth Session**

GC/68/R22

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**NOTIFICATION OF WITHDRAWAL OF A PARTICIPATING STATE -
IRAN (Islamic Republic of)**

The Governing Council,

Having considered document [GC/68/21](#),

1. TAKES NOTE of the communication from Iran (Islamic Republic of) notifying its intention to withdraw from the International Agency for Research on Cancer, and further takes note that such notification shall take effect on 20 August 2026, in accordance with Rule XIII of the IARC Statute, with dues of contribution amounting to €5 406 735;
2. EXPRESSES its regret on this decision; and
3. HOPES that such withdrawal will be of a temporary nature.