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**UPDATE ON THE STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE (SOP):
COORDINATION AND COMMUNICATION MECHANISMS BETWEEN IARC AND WHO
IARC MONOGRAPHS AND HANDBOOKS**

The Governing Council,

Having reviewed Document [GC/68/15](#) and its [Annexes](#) "Update on the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) "Coordination and communication mechanisms between IARC and WHO – IARC Monographs and Handbooks"",

Recalling its Resolutions [GC/59/R2](#) and [GC/60/R7](#),

1. THANKS the Secretariat for the update;
2. NOTES the enhanced coordination between IARC and WHO on assessments of hazards and risks, and on the communication of those assessments; and
3. TAKES NOTE of the progress made on updating the "Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)", which remains a living document.