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**UNITAID Executive Board meeting**

**6-7 December 2007**

*Patent pool*

The Board agrees to proceed with further exploratory steps on patent pooling; in particular, to commit the Secretariat to establishing and leading a multidisciplinary team with expertise in the following areas: legal, economic, and public health aspects of patent pooling, including HIV/AIDS treatments, and other patent pools. The team will be, tasked with resolving the relevant issues identified in the July 2007 report and those raised in the Board meetings, July and December 2007.

The UNITAID Secretariat will present to the Board within 3 months identified operational alternatives of the pool (taking into consideration voluntary/non-voluntary nature, governance, geographic coverage), as well as the cost benefits of each option.

In parallel, UNITAID will continue its work with IGWG (Inter Governmental Working Group on Public Health, Innovation and Intellectual Property) and the PHI (Team for Public Health, Innovation and Intellectual property) while actively exploring options of collaboration with other relevant stakeholders.

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