Minutes of the 9th Annual General Meeting of the DCVMN (Developing Countries Vaccine Manufacturers Network) held at Cape Town, South Africa during 16-19 November 2008.

Members present:

List Attached

The following decisions were taken during the meeting:

1. **Organisation:**

(a) Dr. Akira Homma has been unanimously elected as the President of the DCVMN.
(b) Dr. Suresh Jadhav will continue to represent DCVMN on the GAVI board.
(c) Mahima Datla will continue as Secretary in Hyderabad until the independent Secretariat is appointed by the Committee.

The next AGM of the DCVMN will be hosted by China National Biotech Group (CNBG) in China.

The following sub-groups were set up to define the functions of the DCVMN.

(a) Sub-group to establish terms of reference for the President, Secretariat and other SC members. This group can also evaluate and recommend the number of SC members and the functions of each of these members.

  **Members:** Prof. Selwyn Kahanovitz, Ms. Mahima Datla, Ms. Susan McKinney, Dr. Suresh Jadhav, Dr. Akira Homma

(b) Sub-group for organizing the next AGM.

  **Members:** Dr. Bing Zeng, Dr Denise, Dr. Artur Roberto Couto, Prof. Selwyn Kahanovitz / Dr. Maureen Dennehy

  **Reference persons to approve dates and provide inputs to agenda:** Dr. Suresh Jadhav, Ms. Susan McKinney and Ms. Mahima Datla

(c) Sub-group for finding external sources of funding.

  **Members:** Dr. Suresh Jadhav, Dr. Akira Homma, Prof. Selwyn Kahanovitz

(d) Sub-group for Governance:

  **Members:** Prof. Selwyn Kahanovitz, Dr. Luciana C C Leite, Ms. Mahima Datla

  **Reference persons to review documents:** Dr. Suresh Jadhav and Ms. Susan McKinney

Persons whose name is underlined are expected to lead the initiative with other members.
2. **Subscriptions**: 

In view of the decision to hire a secretariat that will act independently in support of the DCVMN, it was decided to change the annual subscriptions of the DCVMN.

- Full members US$ 10000
- Prospective full Members US$ 5000
- Associate Members US$ 2000
- Resource Members will continue without any subscription fees.

The SC will continue to explore other opportunities of funding to augment subscriptions in order to support having an independent secretariat. Should we be successful in doing so, the SC members can revisit the annual subscriptions at that time.

In this context it is appreciated that Dr. Bing Zeng has agreed to pay for two members @ US$ 2000 each as subscription fee for Associated Members i.e. US$4000.

The next Annual General Meeting will be organized by China National Biotec Group during 20-26 September 2009.