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Entire 60-page document available at:

[http://www.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf\\_files/WHA58/A58\\_55-en.pdf](http://www.who.int/gb/ebwha/pdf_files/WHA58/A58_55-en.pdf)

**The Importance of Annex 2 (attached)**

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Immediate voluntary implementation of influenza-related provisions of IHRs

<http://www.who.int/mediacentre/news/releases/2006/2ha02/en/print.html>

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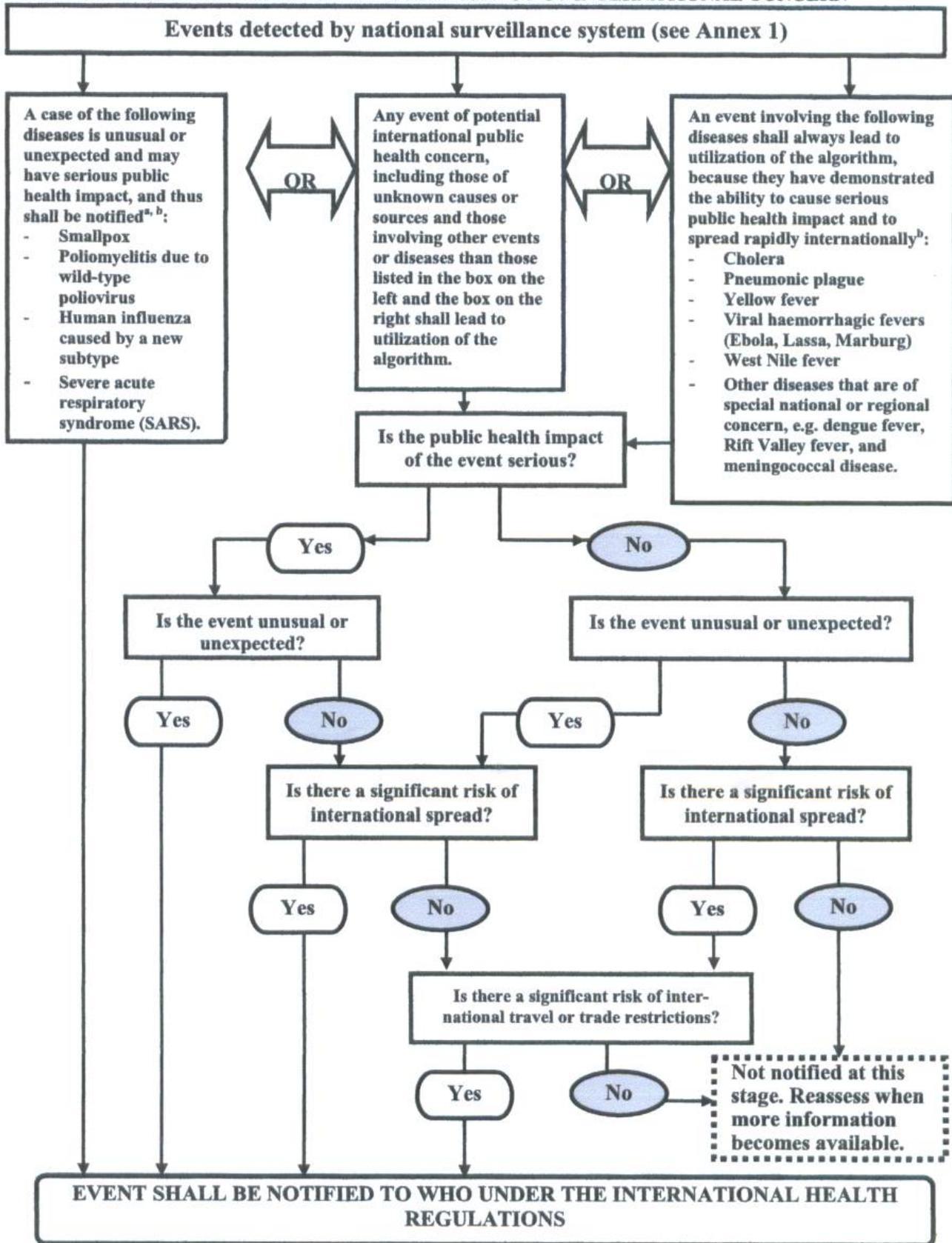
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(sites addresses updated March 21.07)

ANNEX 2

DECISION INSTRUMENT FOR THE ASSESSMENT AND NOTIFICATION OF EVENTS THAT  
 MAY CONSTITUTE A PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY OF INTERNATIONAL CONCERN



<sup>a</sup> As per WHO case definitions.

<sup>b</sup> The disease list shall be used only for the purposes of these Regulations.