CONSIDERING THAT

1. The content of the WOAH Manual of Diagnostic Tests for Aquatic Animals (the Aquatic Manual) is the result of modifications made by the World Assembly of Delegates during previous WOAH General Sessions,

2. Members were asked for the comments of their specialists for each new or revised chapter of the Aquatic Manual before it was finalised by the Aquatic Standards Commission,

3. It is necessary to update the Aquatic Manual in accordance with amendments proposed by the WOAH Aquatic Animal Health Standards Commission (Annexes 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58 and 59 of Document 91 GS/Tech-06).

THE ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES

1. To adopt the following updates to the Aquatic Manual chapters proposed in the Annexes of Document 91 GS/Tech-06 in English, the text being authentic:

   Chapter 2.2.0. ‘General information (diseases of crustaceans)’ (Annex 51)

   Chapter 2.2.2. ‘Infection with Aphanomyces astaci (crayfish plague)’ (Annex 52)

   Chapter 2.2.6. ‘Infection with Macrobrachium rosenbergii nodavirus (white tail disease)’ (Annex 53)

   With the amendments approved by the Assembly:

   In Table 4.4.1.1. ‘Real-time RT-PCR: primer sequences and cycling parameters’ for method 1, add “Reverse transcription at 37°C/60 min; 1 cycle 95°C/10 min” to the cycling parameters. For method 2 and 3, change the cycling parameters to “Reverse transcription at 42°C/60 min, 70°C/5 min; 1 cycle 95°C/10 min; 50 cycles of 4°C/30 sec, 58°C/30 sec, 72°C/30 sec”; and delete the table footnote: “(a) A denaturation step prior to cycling has not been included.”.

   In Table 4.4.2.1. ‘Conventional RT-PCR: primer sequences and cycling parameters’ for methods 1 and 3, add “Reverse transcription at 52°C/30 min; 1 cycle 95°C/2 min” to the cycling parameters. For method 2, add “First step as for method 1” in the cycling parameters; and delete the table footnote: “(a) A denaturation step prior to cycling has not been included.”.

   Chapter 2.2.9. ‘Infection with yellow head virus genotype 1’ (Annex 54)

   With the amendments approved by the Assembly:

   In Table 4.4.1.1. ‘Real-time RT-PCR: primer sequences and cycling parameters’ delete the footnote: “(a) A denaturation step prior to cycling has not been included”.
In Table 4.4.2.1. ‘Conventional RT-PCR: primer sequences and cycling parameters’ add “Reverse transcription at 50°C/30 min and 94°C/2 min” to the cycling parameters for all three methods. For method 2, add “35 cycles of 95°C/30 sec, 66°C/30 sec and 72°C/45 sec” in the cycling parameters for the nested step; and delete the table footnote: “[a]A denaturation step prior to cycling has not been included.”.

Chapter 2.2.X. ‘Infection with decapod iridescent virus 1 (DIV1)’ (Annex 55)

Chapter 2.4.0. ‘General information: diseases of molluscs’ (Annex 56)

Chapter 2.4.1. ‘Infection with abalone herpesvirus’ (Annex 57)

Chapter 2.4.4. ‘Infection with Marteilia refringens’ (Annex 58)

Section 2.2.1 of Chapter 2.4.5. ‘Infection with Perkinsus marinus’ (Annex 59)

2. To ask the Director General to publish the adopted text in a revised edition in the on-line version of the Aquatic Manual.