

# *WHO warns that pathogens are gaining upper hand*

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Geneva, June 1 (RHC)-- In Geneva, officials at the World Health Organization have called for a new international treaty on pandemic preparedness. WHO Emergencies Director Mike Ryan said that in the fight against emerging diseases, pathogens have the upper hand.

The World Health Organization official said: "They sicken and kill us and disrupt every aspect of our lives. They exploit our interconnectedness. They expose our lack of coordination, our lack of solidarity, our societal inequities. In short, the pathogens are winning this fight right now. And that should not be the status quo, and it should not be something we accept."

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