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ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE XVI MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL OF PAHO, XVII MEETING OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE OF WHO FOR THE AMERICAS

In conformity with Rule 1 of the Rules of Procedure of the Directing Council, the meetings of the Council shall be held alternately at the Headquarters of the Bureau and at the place chosen by the Conference or the Council. Since the XV Meeting of the Council was held in Mexico City in 1964, the XVI Meeting in 1965 will, therefore, be held at Headquarters.

On the other hand, Article 14, paragraph A, of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization states that the Executive Committee shall authorize the Director of the Bureau to convoke the meetings of the Council, and Rule 1 of the Rules of Procedure of the Council provides that the Director shall convoke the Council pursuant to a resolution of the Executive Committee. One of the regular meetings of the Executive Committee shall be held at the place of the Council meeting (Article 17, paragraph A) and immediately following it.

In arranging the Directing Council meeting, the Director has taken into consideration the fact that this year for the first time, a Governing Body of the Organization will meet in its own Headquarters building. The Governments have already been informed, through the reports of the Permanent Subcommittee on Buildings and Installations and of the Director, of the characteristics of the building.

It is appropriate at this time to refer only to the conference facilities located on the second floor of the building. They consist of a large conference chamber capable of accommodating 290 persons; an interpreting system for five languages, and equipment for recording, television broadcasting, and motion picture projection. Two other smaller conference rooms are located on the same floor, one with seating capacity for 100 persons, and the other for 80 persons. Both of these rooms are equipped for simultaneous interpretation.

These facilities have been designed primarily for the meetings of the Governing Bodies of the Organization and, as can be seen, will accommodate both plenary sessions and sessions of such committees or working parties as the Council may wish to establish.

In view of the foregoing, the Executive Committee may wish to consider a resolution along the following lines:

Proposed Resolution

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Having examined the Report of the Director on the arrangements for the XVI Meeting of the Directing Council of PAHO, XVII Meeting of the Regional Committee of WHO for the Americas, and the 53rd Meeting of the Executive Committee (Document CE52/16),

RESOLVES:

- 1. To take note of the Report of the Director concerning the XVI Meeting of the Directing Council of PAHO, XVII Meeting of the Regional Committee of WHO for the Americas, and the 53rd Meeting of the Executive Committee.
- 2. To authorize the Director to convoke the Council to meet from 27 September to 8 October 1965.