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WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION



14th DIRECTING COUNCIL

15th SESSION OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE

Washington D.C., 16 - 25 October 1963

RESOLUTION

CD14.R20

ESTABLISHMENT OF A RURAL WELFARE FUND

THE 14th DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Bearing in mind the importance of environmental sanitation to the health and social and economic development of the rural population of the Americas, and the target established in the Charter of Punta del Este of supplying water and sewage disposal services to at least 50 per cent of the rural population [within] the decade;

Mindful of Resolution A-11 of the First Annual Meeting of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council at the Ministerial Level (Mexico City, October 1962), which recognized the need to intensify efforts to improve living conditions in rural areas and to obtain international credits to develop programs for this purpose; and

Noting the support for such programs expressed by the Task Force on Health at the Ministerial Level 3 (Washington, D.C., April 1963), by Resolutions IV and XIII of the 48th Meeting of the Executive Committee (Washington, D.C., April 1963), by the VIII Meeting of Ministers of Public Health of Central America and Panama (San José, Costa Rica, July 1963), and by Committee VI of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council (San José, July-August 1963), and in view of the favorable opinion and the unanimous approval of the Members of the Council at its XIV Meeting,

RESOLVES

1. To approve the rural health program along the general lines described in Document CD14/23, based on community participation, on the establishment of national revolving funds, and on the need for international capital contributions.
2. To urge the Director to seek assistance from all possible sources for the financing and implementation of the program, including the Governments and the international development and credit institutions.
3. To recommend that the Director appoint a Technical Committee to give advice on financing, community organization and motivation, and other aspects of the program.
4. To recommend that the Governments establish competent organizations to take charge of the execution of the national programs.

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