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PAN AMERICAN SANITARY ORGANIZATION
13th Meeting of the Executive Committee

PRECIS MINUTES OF THE PRELIMINARY, PLENARY AND CLOSING SESSIONS
Held at Washington, D. C.
23-30 April 1951

CORRIGENDUM

The following omissions and inconsistencies in form occurred during the process of translating:

Doc. CE13/SP/A/1 (Eng.) -- Precise Minutes of the Preliminary Meeting:

Page 1, under "Present - Members of the Committee",

Transpose: the name "Dr. Nacianceno Romero - Chile" from third to second place in the alphabetical listing.

Doc. CE13/SP/A/2 (Eng.) -- Precise Minutes of the 1st Plenary Session:

Page 1, under "Present - Members of the Committee", line 8, after the name "Dr. Fred L. Soper",

Insert: "(ex-officio)"

Page 1, under "Present - Observers", following the last name in the list,

Insert: "Mr. Paul R. Kelbaugh - Organization of American States"

Page 1, under "Present - Others", line 1,

Delete: "Messrs. Paulo..."

Insert: "Dr. Paulo....."

Page 1, under "Present - Others", line 2, after the word "Antunes",

Insert: "Messrs."

PAN AMERICAN SANITARY ORGANIZATION
13th Meeting of the Executive Committee

PRECIS MINUTES OF THE PRELIMINARY MEETING
Held at Washington, D. C.
Monday, 23 April 1951, at 9:35 a.m.

Interim Chairman: Dr. Juan Allwood Paredes - El Salvador

Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante - Pan American
Sanitary
Bureau

Present:

Members of the Committee:

Dr. Gerardo Segura - Argentina
Dr. Rafael Espaillat de la Mota - Dominican Republic
Dr. Nacianceno Romero - Chile
Dr. Luis F. Galich - Guatemala
Dr. Jorge Estrella Ruiz - Peru
Dr. Frederick J. Brady - United States
Mr. James F. Anderson, Adviser
Mr. Simon N. Wilson, Adviser
Dr. Fred L. Soper(ex-officio) - Pan American
Sanitary Bureau

Observers:

Dr. Félix Hurtado - Cuba
Dr. R. L. Beukenkamp - Netherlands
Mr. Paul R. Kelbaugh - Organization of
American States

Others:

Dr. John R. Murdock, Assistant Director, and Dr. Paulo
C. A. Antunes, Messrs. H.A. Hinderer, Harry L. Mitchell
and Rafael H. Martínez, officers of the Pan American
Sanitary Bureau

(SECRET) CONFIDENTIAL
FROM LIST A &
OPENING OF THE MEETING

Dr. Juan Allwood Paredes, Chairman of the 12th Meeting of the Executive Committee, opened the 13th Meeting, welcoming those present.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Meeting proceeded to elect a Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Executive Committee in accordance with the provisions of Article 3 of the Rules of Procedure.

DECISIONS TAKEN:

1. Dr. Luis F. Galich (Guatemala) was unanimously elected Chairman.
2. Dr. Gerardo Segura (Argentina) was unanimously elected Vice-Chairman.

AGENDA AND PROGRAM OF THE MEETINGDECISIONS TAKEN:

1. The Agenda of the Meeting as it appears in document CE13/2 (Rev.) and Addenda 1, 2 and 3 was unanimously adopted.
2. At the request of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, the following topic was added to the agenda: Relations between the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and professional medical and public health associations of an international nature.
3. The program of the Meeting as it appears in document CE13/3 and Addendum 1 was unanimously adopted.

DRAFTING COMMITTEEDECISION TAKEN:

1. A Drafting Committee, composed of the Chairman, Dr. Luis F. Galich, the Vice Chairman, Dr. Gerardo Segura, and the Secretary, Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante, was chosen in accordance with the provisions of Article 17 of the Rules of Procedure.

The preliminary meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m. to be followed immediately by the First Plenary Session.

13th MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Washington, D. C.
23 April - 1 May 1951

PRECIS MINUTES OF THE FIRST PLENARY SESSION
Monday, 23 April 1951, at 10:15 a.m.

Chairman: Dr. Luis F. Galich - Guatemala
Vice Chairman: Dr. Gerardo Segura -- Argentina
Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante- Pan American
Sanitary Bureau

Present:

Members of the Committee:

Dr. Nacianceno Romero - Chile
Dr. Rafael Espallat de la Mota - Dominican Republic
Dr. Juan Allwood Paredes - El Salvador
Dr. Jorge Estrella Ruiz - Perú
Dr. Frederick J. Brady - United States
Mr. James F. Anderson, Adviser
Mr. Simon N. Wilson, Adviser
Dr. Fred L. Soper - Pan American
Sanitary Bureau

Observers:

Dr. Félix Hurtado - Cuba
Dr. R. L. Beukenkamp - Netherlands
Dr. Emilio N. Oribe - Uruguay

Others:

Dr. John R. Murdock, Assistant Director, and Messrs. Paulo
C. A. Antunes, H. A. Hinderer, Harry L. Mitchell and
Rafael H. Martínez, officers of the Pan American Sanitary
Bureau

PROGRESS REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR

The Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau proposed postponing discussion of his report (document CEL3/6) and then gave a description of his activities during the period since the 11th Meeting of the Executive Committee; these included trips to various parts of Latin America, in furtherance of the public health programs of the member governments, and attendance at various national and international public health meetings.

DECISION TAKEN:

It was unanimously agreed to postpone discussion of the Director's Progress Report until a later session of the Committee.

PAN AMERICAN SANITARY CODE

The Observer of the Government of Cuba proposed that the Executive Committee send a message to the World Health Organization opposing the abrogation or annulment of the Pan American Sanitary Code and permitting revision only insofar as technical public health matters are concerned.

The Representatives of Argentina, Peru, El Salvador, Chile and the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau took part in the discussion of this proposal.

DECISION TAKEN:

The Chairman's proposal to the effect that the Representatives of Argentina and El Salvador prepare a message embodying the suggestions of the Cuban Observer, for later consideration by the Committee, was unanimously approved.

STATUS OF WORKING CAPITAL FUND

DECISION TAKEN:

At the request of the Secretary, discussion of this topic was postponed until such time as the Chief of the Division of Administration could present a revision of document CEL3/6.1.

STATUS OF EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT FUND

DECISION TAKEN:

The resolution appearing in document CEL3/6.2, pages 2 and 3, was unanimously adopted.

AUDIT REPORT FOR 1950

The Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau gave a detailed explanation of the circumstances involved in the transfer of funds from one Part of the Budget to another.

The Representatives of Argentina, El Salvador, and the United States, and the Observer of the Government of Cuba took part in the debate.

DECISION TAKEN:

Discussion of the three project resolutions in document CE13/6.3 was suspended until the afternoon session.

The session was adjourned at 11:55 a.m. in order to pay a visit to Dr. Leonard A. Schaele, Surgeon General, United States Public Health Service.

PAN AMERICAN SANITARY ORGANIZATION
13th Meeting of the Executive Committee

PRECIS MINUTES OF THE SECOND PLENARY SESSION

Held at Washington, D. C.
Monday, 23 April 1951, at 3:15 p.m.

Chairman: Dr. Luis F. Galich - Guatemala
Vice Chairman: Dr. Gerardo Segura - Argentina
Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante - Pan American
Sanitary Bureau

Present:

Members of the Committee:

Dr. Nacienceno Romero - Chile
Dr. Rafael Espaillet de la Mota - Dominican Republic
Dr. Juan Allwood Paredes - El Salvador
Dr. Jorge Estrella Ruiz - Peru
Dr. Frederick J. Brady - United States
Mr. James F. Anderson, Adviser
Mr. Simon N. Wilson, Adviser
Dr. Fred L. Soper (ex-officio) - Pan American
Sanitary Bureau

Observers:

Dr. Félix Hurtado - Cuba
Dr. R. L. Beukenkamp - Netherlands
Dr. Emilio N. Oribe - Uruguay
Mr. Paul R. Kelbaugh - Organization of
American States

Others:

Dr. John R. Murdock, Assistant Director, and Dr. Paulo C.A. Antunes, Dr. Sidney Clark, Mr. H. A. Hinderer, Mr. Harry L. Mitchell and Mr. James D. Anderson, officers of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

AUDIT REPORT FOR 1950

The discussion of the Audit Report (Doc. CE13/6.3) was continued.

DECISION TAKEN:

Draft Resolutions Nos. 2 and 3 contained in document CE13/6.3 were adopted; approval of Draft Resolution No. 1 was left pending.

PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET FOR 1952

The Secretary read to the members of the Executive Committee the letter which the Director previously addressed to the members of the Executive Committee transmitting the Proposed Program and Budget (Doc. CE13/7).

The Representative of the United States suggested that the total amount of the 1952 Budget should be the same as that of the 1951 Budget, without any increase.

The Representatives of Argentina and Chile, and officers of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau took part in the discussion.

DECISION TAKEN:

It was decided to discuss the budget item by item, without limiting the total amount in advance.

The Representative of Argentina proposed that the Building Funds be separated from the budget, since he considered them to be an independent item.

DECISION TAKEN:

It was agreed to proceed with the study of the budget, item by item, since the proposal of the Representative of Argentina was not accepted.

PART I. FUNCTIONAL SUMMARY OF PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET - 1952.

Consideration of the budget began with the reading of Part I, Pan American Sanitary Organization (page 13, document CE13/7).

The Representative of Argentina proposed that this Part of the budget be reduced by holding the Meetings of the Directing Council and the Executive Committee at Havana at the same

time as the celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, which would avoid duplication of expenditures and permit a possible saving of approximately \$40,000.00.

The opinion of the Director of the Bureau was sought. The Observer from Cuba stated that these events could perhaps be held between the last week of September and the first week of October, 1952.

DECISIONS TAKEN:

1. It was unanimously agreed that, if appropriate arrangements could be made with the Government of Cuba, the Meeting of the Directing Council and those of the Executive Committee would be held at Havana, Cuba, at the same time as the First Inter-American Sanitary Congress, on the above mentioned dates.

2. The Pan American Sanitary Bureau was requested to submit a new estimate of expenditures for these meetings.

3. General approval was given to Part I.

PART II, SECTION 1, CHAPTERS 1 AND 2. OPERATIONS OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

The Secretary read Part II, Section 2, Chapter 1 (CE13/7, page 59).

The Representative of El Salvador stated that he deemed it unnecessary to establish a public health administration section in Washington, and proposed deletion of Chapter 1.

The proposal of the Representative of El Salvador was discussed by the members of the Committee, and by the advisers to the Director, Dr. Antunes and Mr. Hinderer, and was submitted to a vote.

DECISION TAKEN:

The proposal of the Representative of El Salvador, to delete Chapter 1 of this Part of the budget, was approved by a vote of the majority.

The session was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Pan American Sanitary Bureau
Regional Office of the
World Health Organization

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PAN AMERICAN SANITARY ORGANIZATION
13th Meeting of the Executive Committee

PRECIS MINUTES OF THE THIRD PLENARY SESSION

Held at Washington, D. C.
Tuesday, 24 April 1951, at 9:20 a. m.

Chairman: Dr. Luis F. Galich Guatemala
Vice Chairman: Dr. Gerardo Segura Argentina
Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante Pan American
Sanitary Bureau

Present:

Members of the Committee:

Dr. Nacianceno Romero Chile
Dr. Rafael Espaillet de la Mota Dominican Republic
Dr. Juan Allwood Paredes El Salvador
Dr. Jorge Estrella Ruiz Peru
Dr. Frederick J. Brady United States
Mr. James F. Anderson, Adviser
Mr. Simon N. Wilson, Adviser
Dr. Fred L. Soper (ex-officio) Pan American
Sanitary Bureau

Observers:

Dr. Félix Hurtado Cuba
Mr. Gabriel Rosaz France
Dr. R. L. Beukenkamp Netherlands
Mr. Paul R. Keibaugh Organization of
American States

Others:

Officers of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau: Dr. John R. Murdock, Assistant Director; Dr. Paulo C. A. Antunes, Mr. H. A. Hinderer, Dr. Benjamin D. Blood, Dr. Sidney B. Clark, Dr. Oswaldo Lopes da Costa, Dr. Adhemar Paoliello, Dr. Guillermo Samamé, Dr. Hernán Urzúa, Dr. John D. Glismann, Mr. James D. Anderson, Miss Elfleda Sprague, Mr. Benjamin Margolin and Mr. Harry L. Mitchell.

OBSERVER FROM FRANCE

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Gabriel Rosaz, Observer from France.

PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET FOR 1952 (Continuation)

PART II, SECTION 2, CHAPTER 2, NURSING PROGRAM

The Secretary read Part II, Section 2, Chapter 2 (CE13/7, page 60).

The Representative of the United States inquired as to why the item for personal services is to be increased by almost \$16,000 in 1952.

Miss Elfleda Sprague explained that the increase is due to reclassification of personnel and to the need to employ a nursing educator to supervise the activities of nursing-fellowship students from the 20 Latin American countries.

DECISION TAKEN:

The budget for the Nursing Program was unanimously approved.

PART II, SECTION 2, CHAPTER 3, HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAM

The Secretary read Part II, Section 2, Chapter 3 (CE13/7, page 70).

As no comments were offered, the Chapter was submitted to a vote.

DECISION TAKEN:

The budget item for the Health Education Program was unanimously approved.

PART II, SECTION 2, CHAPTER 4, ENVIRONMENTAL SANITATION PROGRAM

The Secretary read Part II, Section 2, Chapter 4 (CE13/7, page 73).

The Director suggested that discussion of the expenditure of \$10,000 for materials and supplies be postponed until the Committee considered the topic regarding the Bureau's relations with various international organizations.

The Representatives of Argentina, El Salvador and Peru, the Observer from Cuba, and Dr. Paulo C. A. Antunes took part in the discussion.

DECISION TAKEN:

All items for the Environmental Sanitation Program were approved, with the exception of the expenditure of \$10,000 for materials and supplies, which will be discussed at a later session.

PART II, SECTION 2, CHAPTER 5, INSECT CONTROL PROGRAM

The Secretary read Part II, Section 2, Chapter 5 (CE13/7, page 78).

The Representative of El Salvador requested an explanation of the increase of \$47,000 in the amount allotted for grants.

The Representative of the United States and Dr. Paulo C. A. Antunes took part in the discussion.

The Director explained that the objective of this program is to eradicate the Aedes aegypti from the Continent, that the program can be considered as having now reached a decisive stage in its development, and that ultimate success is in sight.

DECISION TAKEN:

The Insect Control Program was unanimously approved.

PART II, SECTION 2, CHAPTER 6, VETERINARY PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAM

The Secretary read Part II, Section 2, Chapter 6. (CE13/7, page 86).

The Representative of the United States questioned the advisability of having the Bureau award grants in connection with this program, and suggested that an attempt be made to obtain funds from other organizations.

The Representative of Argentina expressed the opinion that such action would afford an opportunity to reduce the budget.

The Representatives of El Salvador, Guatemala and Peru, and Dr. Benjamin D. Blood took part in the discussion.

DECISION TAKEN:

Provisional approval was given to the Veterinary Public Health Program. Approval of the items for materials and supplies was left pending.

PAN AMERICAN SANITARY ORGANIZATION
13th MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

PRECIS MINUTES OF THE FOURTH PLENARY SESSION

Held at Washington, D. C.
Tuesday, 24 April 1951, at 3:05 p.m.

Chairman: Dr. Luis F. Galich Guatemala
Vice-Chairman: Dr. Gerardo Segura Argentina
Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante Pan American Sanitary Bureau

Present:

Members of the Committee:

Dr. Nacienceno Romero Chile
Dr. Rafael Espaillet de la Mota Dominican Republic
Dr. Juan Allwood Paredes El Salvador
Dr. Jorge Estrella Ruiz Peru
Dr. Frederick J. Brady United States
Mr. James F. Anderson, Adviser
Mr. Simon N. Wilson, Adviser
Dr. Fred L. Soper (ex-officio) Pan American Sanitary Bureau

Observers:

Dr. Félix Hurtado Cuba
Mr. Gabriel Rosaz France
Dr. R. L. Beukenkamp Netherlands
Dr. Emilio N. Oribe Uruguay
Mr. Paul R. Kelbaugh Organization of American States

Others:

Officers of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau: Dr. John R. Murdock, Assistant Director; Dr. Paulo C. A. Antunes; Mr. H. A. Hinderer; Dr. Oswaldo Lopes da Costa; Dr. Adhemar Paoliello; Dr. Guillermo Samamé; Dr. Hernán Urzúa; Dr. John D. Glismann; Mr. James D. Anderson; Miss Elfleda Sprague; Mr. Harry L. Mitchell and Dr. Héctor Abad-Gómez.

PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET FOR 1952 (Continuation)PART II, SECTION 2, CHAPTER 7, NUTRITION PROGRAM

The Secretary read Part II, Section 2, Chapter 7 (CE13/7, page 97) and discussion of the topic followed.

The Representative of El Salvador stated that in order to make it possible for the Institute of Nutrition of Central America and Panama to obtain its autonomy, more direct information should be provided to the Central American countries that compose the INCAP.

The Representative of El Salvador, the Director and Dr. Antunes took part in the discussion.

DECISION TAKEN:

The Nutrition Program was approved tentatively by unanimous vote.

PART II, SECTION 2, CHAPTER 8, VENEREAL DISEASE PROGRAM

The Secretary read Part II, Section 2, Chapter 8 (CE13/7, page 103).

The Representatives of El Salvador and the United States, and the Director and Mr. Hinderer of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau took part in the discussion of this Chapter.

DECISION TAKEN:

The Venereal Disease Program was approved tentatively by unanimous vote.

At the request of Dr. Luis F. Galich, Dr. Gerardo Segura, the Representative of Argentina, took the Chair.

PART II, SECTION 2, CHAPTER 9, ACUTE COMMUNICABLE DISEASES PROGRAM

The Secretary read Part II, Section 2, Chapter 9, (CE13/7, page 114).

Various points of this Program were discussed, with the Representatives of Argentina and the United States, and the Director, Dr. Antunes and Dr. Urzúa of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau taking part in the discussion.

DECISION TAKEN:

The Acute Communicable Diseases Program was approved tentatively by unanimous vote.

PART II, SECTION 2, CHAPTER 10, PARASITIC DISEASES PROGRAM

The Secretary read Part II, Section 2, Chapter 10 (CE13/7, page 128), and the Chairman declared that the Chapter was open for discussion.

The Representative of El Salvador reminded those present that in spite of the fact that a desire to reduce the Budget had been expressed at previous meetings, Programs were being approved tentatively, without any reduction of importance having been made.

The Representatives of Argentina, El Salvador and the Dominican Republic, the Observer from Cuba, and the Director and Dr. Urzúa of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau took part in the discussion.

The Representative of the Dominican Republic proposed that, with a view to simplifying the work, a Working Party of three be appointed to study the manner whereby this reduction might be effected; this motion was supported by the Representative of Chile who suggested that the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau propose the reductions to be effected in the budget.

Those taking part in the discussion were the Representatives of Argentina and the United States and the Observer from Cuba, who suggested that three members of the Executive Committee, namely, the Representatives of the United States, El Salvador and Guatemala, comprise the Working Party.

DECISION TAKEN:

The motion presented by the Representative of the Dominican Republic, as modified by the Observer from Cuba, was approved.

Note: The Director stated that the staff of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau would prepare a new proposed budget, taking into consideration the suggested revisions, the commitments already made and the opinions expressed, and would submit it to the Working Party that had just been appointed.

TOPIC 6.1: STATUS OF WORKING CAPITAL FUND

The Secretary read Document CE13/6.1 (Rev. 1) (23 April 1951).

had been held over for discussion from yesterday morning's session.

The Representative of El Salvador and the Chairman took part in the discussion.

DECISION TAKEN:

The draft resolution appearing on page 2 of Document CE13/6.1 (Rev. 1) was approved.

TOPIC 13: STATUS OF CONTINGENCY FUND

The Secretary read Document CE13/13.

DECISION TAKEN:

It was agreed that the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau should continue the negotiations envisaged in Resolution XIII of the IV Meeting of the Directing Council, and report to the Executive Committee at its next Meeting.

TOPIC 17: DENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH NEEDS IN THE AMERICAS

The Secretary read Document CE13/17.

DECISION TAKEN:

The recommendation of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, to the effect that no action be taken on this topic at this time because of budgetary limitations, was approved.

TOPIC 15: REPORT ON PURCHASE OF INTERIM HEADQUARTERS BUILDINGS FOR THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

The Secretary read Document CE13/15.

Discussion of this Document followed, with the Representative of El Salvador and the Observer of Cuba taking part.

The Secretary read part of Resolution 22, adopted at Ciudad Trujillo, by the XIII Pan American Sanitary Conference (Document CSP13/R/XXII-Rev. 1).

The Representative of El Salvador proposed that the phrase, "appointed by Resolution of the Executive Committee at its XII Meeting", be added to the first "Whereas" clause of the Proposed Resolution, to read as follows: "The Subcommittee

on Interim Headquarters, appointed by Resolution of the Executive Committee at its XII Meeting, and the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau..."

The Director explained in detail the transactions that culminated in the purchase of the Blodgett and Hitt properties and was congratulated by the Representative of the United States.

The Observer from Cuba requested that the minutes show the appreciation of the Executive Committee of the work done by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, the Subcommittee and all other persons who assisted in the negotiations, and that a letter be addressed to Mr. Corrigan of the Department of State who, according to the Director, actively participated in the negotiations for the purchase of the two buildings.

DECISIONS TAKEN:

1. The amendment to the Proposed Resolution on the Report on Purchase of Interim Headquarters Buildings, suggested by the Representative of El Salvador, was approved.

2. The motion of the Observer from Cuba was unanimously approved.

TOPIC 16: PERMANENT HEADQUARTERS BUILDING

The Secretary read Document CE13/16.

DECISION TAKEN:

The proposed resolution appearing in Document CE13/16 was unanimously approved.

TOPIC 23: CHANGE OF DATE OF THE V MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

The Secretary read Document CE13/21.

The Representative of the United States suggested that the text of the draft resolution be modified so that the reasons for the change in dates be expressed in general terms.

The Representative of El Salvador proposed that the dates appearing in this document be changed, with a view to shortening the time during which the Delegates would be away from their homes, as follows:

14th Meeting of the Executive Committee: 20 - 22
September 1951; V Meeting of the Directing Council:
24 September - 2 October 1951; 15th Meeting of the

Executive Committee: 3 - 4 October 1951;
or a total of 15 days.

DECISION TAKEN:

The motion presented by the Representative of El Salvador was unanimously approved.

TOPIC 22: ROTATION EVERY 5 YEARS OF SECTOR OFFICES OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

The Secretary read Document CE13/20.

All members present took part in the discussion.

DECISION TAKEN:

It was agreed that a resolution be drafted stating that at present the suggestion to rotate sector offices every 5 years could not be accepted.

The Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau asked the Representatives of Chile and Peru to draw up the text of a resolution to that effect.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m. and a meeting of the Working Party was scheduled for 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, April 25, 1951, at the Pan American Sanitary Bureau building.

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Pan American Sanitary Bureau
Regional Office of the
World Health Organization

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25 April 1951
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PAN AMERICAN SANITARY ORGANIZATION
13th MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

PRECIS MINUTES OF THE FIFTH PLENARY SESSION
Held at Washington, D.C.
Wednesday, 25 April 1951, at 3:05 p.m.

Chairman: Dr. Luis F. Galich - Guatemala
Vice Chairman: Dr. Gerardo Segura - Argentina
Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante - Pan American
Sanitary Bureau

Present:

Members of the Committee:

Dr. Nacianceno Romero - Chile
Dr. Rafael Espailat de la Mota - Dominican Republic
Dr. Jorge Estrella Ruiz - Peru
Dr. Frederick J. Brady - United States
Mr. James F. Anderson, Adviser
Mr. Simon N. Wilson, Adviser
Dr. Fred L. Soper (ex-officio) - Pan American
Sanitary Bureau

Observers:

Dr. Félix Hurtado - Cuba
Mr. Gabriel Rosaz - France
Dr. R. L. Beukenkamp - Netherlands
Dr. Emilio N. Oribe - Uruguay
Mr. Paul R. Kelbaugh - Organization of
American States

Others:

Dr. Paulo C. A. Antunes, Mr. H. A. Hinderer, Mr. James D.
Anderson and Mr. Harry L. Mitchell, officers of the Pan
American Sanitary Bureau.

MINUTES OF THE FIRST FOUR SESSIONS

The Secretary read the Precis Minutes of the Preliminary Session and of the First, Second and Third Plenary Sessions.

DECISION TAKEN:

The aforementioned Minutes were unanimously approved.

INTERNATIONAL SANITARY REGULATIONS

The Secretary read the text of the message to the World Health Organization drafted by the Representatives of Argentina and El Salvador, pursuant to the decision taken at the First Plenary Session.

All members of the Committee present, the Director and the Observer from Cuba, took part in the discussion. The Representatives of the United States and the Dominican Republic were not in agreement with the message.

The Observer from Cuba proposed that the Representative of the United States and the Director, together with Dr. Segura, submit, in English, another draft message which would better express the views of the Committee.

DECISION TAKEN:

The motion presented by the Observer from Cuba was approved.

TOPIC 11: MEANS FOR FACILITATING PAYMENT OF QUOTA CONTRIBUTIONS BY MEMBER GOVERNMENTS

Document CE13/11 was read by the Secretary and then discussed.

The Observer from Cuba stated that he had been negotiating for over a year with various individuals and with officers of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development to determine whether the amount of quotas which the countries owe to the Bureau could possibly be advanced, through agreements with the interested governments.

The Representative of Argentina requested that the Observer from Cuba prepare his proposal in final form, supported by the necessary documents, and submit it at the 14th Meeting of the Executive Committee.

The Representative of Argentina asked that due note be taken in the Minutes of his Government's request to the effect that it be permitted to make total payment of its contribution in Argentine currency and that this facility be extended to include payments of advances to the revolving fund, based on the exchange rate of five pesos to the dollar. This request was supported by the Representative of the Dominican Republic who suggested, in addition, that the same facility be accorded to all countries whose payments are overdue. The Representative of Argentina reiterated the proposal regarding payment of overdue quotas in national currencies.

The Representative of the United States proposed that the draft resolution contained in document CE13/11 be revised to include the following modifications (the modifications are underlined):

1. To approve the procedure whereby monthly notification is sent to the Health Authorities of Member Nations by the Director, and to the Ministers of Foreign Affairs by the Organization of American States, as to the status of quota contributions to the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.
2. Unchanged.
3. To instruct the Director to cable the Member Nations, in the name of the Executive Committee, requesting them to make payments of all arrearages or to indicate when their next payments will be made.
- 4a. To instruct the Director to study the possibility of having the Bureau receive American currencies other than dollars in payment of overdue quotas.
- b. Furthermore, to instruct the Director to study the proposal which would provide for annual quotas to be received through the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, after the conclusion of appropriate arrangements with the Member Governments.

DECISION TAKEN:

Approval was given to the above amendments to the resolution in document CE13/11, as proposed by the Representative of the United States..

TOPIC 24: MAINTAINING PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF INSECTICIDES, ANTIBIOTICS AND RELATED SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT REQUIRED IN PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS

Document CE13/22 was read by the Secretary and then discussed.

The Representative of the Dominican Republic proposed that the draft resolution contained in document CE13/22 include an additional paragraph recommending to the Governments that speculation in DDT and antibiotics be prohibited by law.

The Observer from Cuba proposed that the Governments be asked to accumulate, in time, a reserve of these essential products.

Dr. Gerardo Segura, Representative of Argentina, assumed the Chair at the invitation of Dr. Luis F. Galich.

The Representative of Argentina proposed that, in order to curb speculation, these products be declared of prime necessity and, consequently, strategic for public health defense.

The two foregoing proposals were later withdrawn in view of the statement of the Representative of the United States to the effect that it would be preferable not to establish a system of quota allocations since it is intended to furnish essential quantities when reasonable requests are submitted, and there is no question of stockpiling these products. He proposed that the following paragraph be added at the end of the draft resolution:

"To request the Director to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Member Governments, through established channels, for further distribution to authorities within their countries."

DECISIONS TAKEN:

1. It was agreed to include the paragraph proposed by the Representative of the Dominican Republic.
2. It was agreed to add paragraph 4 to resolution contained in document CE13/22.
3. Approval was given to the motion which proposed that the Executive Committee request American Republics whose legislation does not provide for restriction of speculation in insecticides, antibiotics and supplies and equipment required in public health programs, to adopt measures tending to prevent such speculation.

The session was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

PAN AMERICAN SANITARY ORGANIZATION
13th MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

PRECIS MINUTES OF THE SIXTH PLENARY SESSION

Held at Washington, D. C.
Thursday, 26 April 1951, at 3:05 p.m.

Chairman: Dr. Luis F. Galich Guatemala
Vice Chairman: Dr. Gerardo Segura Argentina
Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante Pan American Sanitary
Bureau

Present:

Members of the Committee:

Dr. Nacianceno Romero Chile
Dr. Rafael Espailat de la Mota Dominican Republic
Dr. Juan Allwood Paredes El Salvador
Dr. Jorge Estrella Ruiz Peru
Dr. Frederick J. Brady United States
Mr. James F. Anderson, Adviser
Mr. Simon N. Wilson, Adviser
Dr. Fred L. Soper (ex-officio) Pan American Sanitary
Bureau

Observers:

Dr. Félix Hurtado Cuba
Mr. Gabriel Rosaz France
Dr. R. L. Beukenkamp Netherlands
Dr. Emilio N. Oribe Uruguay
Mr. Paul R. Kelbaugh Organization of
American States

Others:

Mr. H. A. Hinderer, Mr. James D. Anderson, Mr. Harry L. Mitchell, Mr. Irving Tragen and Mr. Benjamin Margolin, officers of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

TOPIC 14: STAFF RULES OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

Document CE13/14 and Annex I were read and put up for discussion.

The Representative of El Salvador asked whether the recommendation of the Pan American Sanitary Conference relative to employees who use several languages had been incorporated into the Rules. Mr. Hinderer answered that although it had not been incorporated, it was being put into effect as an administrative measure.

The Observer from Cuba suggested a reclassification of the personnel of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, taking into consideration the importance of the knowledge of two languages, with bilingual employees being properly remunerated; this was supported by the Representative of El Salvador, who stated that, aside from what had been said, there was the fact that the Directing Council had made such a recommendation, and that the Director and the Executive Committee were obliged to carry it out.

The Representative of the United States and the Director also took part in the discussion.

The Representative of Argentina proposed that the Director seek a way of achieving this objective and send to the members of the Executive Committee, in their respective countries, the result of his study, including figures, for them to take the proper decision. This was seconded by the Observer from Cuba, who added that this study should specify which positions required bilingual personnel, and what persons held those positions.

The Observer from Cuba referred to Rule 113.2 (Document CE13/14, page 2), stating that the way it was expressed gave it a discriminatory character, for which reason he proposed that it be eliminated. He was supported by the Representatives of El Salvador, the United States, Guatemala and the Dominican Republic.

The Chairman asked whether it was thought that the Rules had been sufficiently discussed; the Director stated that he wished to announce with respect to Rule 710, that the World Health Organization had made changes in the salaries of officers in the higher grades, and that it had some proposals for the Bureau, which he would communicate at a later date to the Representatives of the Executive Committee.

DECISIONS TAKEN:

1. The motion of the Representative of Argentina, with the amendment added by the Observer from Cuba, was approved.
2. The elimination of Rule 113.2 was unanimously approved.
3. The Staff Rules of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau were approved; leaving Rule 710 pending and taking note of the statement made by the Director with regard to the salaries of the higher officers.

TOPIC 14.1 REPORT ON PARTICIPATION IN THE UN JOINT STAFF PENSION PLAN

Document CE13/14.1 was read and put up for discussion, the Chairman stating that, as was evident from the reading of the document, negotiations were already under way, so that he took the liberty of suggesting that it be approved.

DECISION TAKEN:

Unanimously approved.

TOPIC 22: ROTATION EVERY 5 YEARS OF THE SITE OF SECTOR OFFICES OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU (CE13/20)

The Draft Resolution prepared by the Drafting Committee was read.

DECISION TAKEN:

Unanimously approved.

TOPIC 12: DRAFT FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

Document CE13/12 and the proposal of the Representative of the United States were read.

Mr. Hinderer proposed some modifications to the proposal of the United States, which were accepted by the Representative of the United States. The Representative of the Dominican Republic, the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and the Observer from the Organization of American States participated in the discussion.

DECISION TAKEN:

Approval of the Draft Financial Regulations and the proposal of the Representative of the United States was postponed in order to allow time for making the changes.

PAN AMERICAN SANITARY CODE

The Secretary read the proposed telegram drafted by the Representative of the United States and the Director, which reads:

"The 13th Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, meeting in Washington, requests that the Committee of Experts on International Sanitary Regulations take into account Resolution XVI of the 13th Pan American Sanitary Conference."

Resolution XVI of the 13th Pan American Sanitary Conference was read.

DECISION TAKEN:

The text of the message was unanimously approved.

FIRST INTER-AMERICAN PUBLIC HEALTH CONGRESS

The Draft Resolution presented by the Observer from Cuba was read and put up for discussion.

The Representative of Argentina suggested that the Executive Committee limit itself to proposing Dr. Félix Hurtado as liaison officer between the Executive Committee and the Cuban Ministry of Public Health.

DECISION TAKEN:

The Draft Resolution presented by the Observer from Cuba, with the amendment proposed by the Representative of Argentina, was unanimously approved.

TOPIC 19: ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL RESEARCH CENTER IN CUBA (CE13/19)

The Document presented by the Observer from Cuba was read and put up for discussion.

The Observer from Cuba made some explanations in this regard, and the Representative of the United States said that,

although he wished to suggest some changes in the text, he was inclined to accept it in general.

DECISION TAKEN:

The Draft Resolution presented by the Observer from Cuba was approved, with the necessary explanations, which will be incorporated by the Drafting Committee.

WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY

The Representative of Chile declared that, having learned that some American States are sending no representatives to the World Health Assembly, he proposed that the Executive Committee inform them of the need of having complete attendance by the American Republics which are members of the World Health Organization.

The Representative of El Salvador supported the motion, adding that this would also carry out the express recommendation of the Regional Committee, and he recalled that this was facilitated by the fact that the Organization pays the round trip for the Heads of Delegations.

The Observer from Cuba, the Director, and the Representatives of El Salvador, Chile, the Dominican Republic and Argentina, took part in the discussion, the latter indicating his opposition.

DECISION TAKEN:

Approved by majority vote, with abstentions by the Representatives of Argentina and the United States.

The session was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

PAN AMERICAN SANITARY ORGANIZATION
13th MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

PRECIS MINUTES OF THE SEVENTH PLENARY SESSION
Held at Washington, D. C.
Friday, 27 April 1951, at 9:45 a.m.

Chairman: Dr. Luis F. Galich Guatemala
Vice Chairman: Dr. Gerardo Segura Argentina
Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante Pan American Sanitary Bureau

Present:

Members of the Committee:

Dr. Nacianceno Romero Chile
Dr. Rafael Espaillat de la Mota Dominican Republic
Dr. Juan Allwood Paredes El Salvador
Dr. Jorge Estrella Ruiz Peru
Dr. Frederick J. Brady United States
Mr. James F. Anderson, Adviser
Mr. Simon N. Wilson, Adviser
Dr. Fred L. Soper (ex-officio) Pan American Sanitary Bureau

Observers:

Dr. Félix Hurtado Cuba
Mr. Gabriel Rosaz France
Dr. R. L. Beukenkamp Netherlands
Mr. Paul R. Kelbaugh Organization of American States

Others:

Dr. Antunes, Mr. Hinderer, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Mitchell,
Dr. Vargas, Dr. Lopes da Costa, Mr. Pool, Mr. Martínez,
Dr. Urzua and Dr. Velarde Thome, officers of the Pan
American Sanitary Bureau.

MINUTES OF THE FOURTH AND FIFTH PLENARY SESSIONS

The Secretary read the Précis Minutes in Spanish of the Fourth and Fifth Plenary Sessions, which were then submitted for discussion.

DECISION TAKEN:

The Précis Minutes of the Fourth and Fifth Plenary Sessions were unanimously approved.

FUNCTIONAL SUMMARY OF PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET FOR 1952

The Secretary read the Functional Summary, in Spanish, of the Proposed Program and Budget for 1952 [CEL3/7 (Rev.1)]

The Director pointed out that the item covering the cost of the 50th Anniversary of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau had been reduced.

The Representative of Chile stated that he understood this item would remain in the budget.

Mr. H. A. Hinderer explained that it had been included in the cost of the meetings of the Executive Committee and the Directing Council at Havana.

The Observer from Cuba proposed that a specific amount be allotted for the First Inter-American Health Congress.

The Representative of the United States, the Observer from Cuba and Mr. H. A. Hinderer took part in the discussion.

DECISION TAKEN:

It was agreed that the chapter in question should include specific mention of the fact that funds for the First Inter-American Health Congress are included in the items covering the Meeting of the Directing Council.

Discussion of the Functional Summary continued. The Representative of Chile pointed out that the item covering fellowships had been deleted in the proposed budget, and that this was an item in which all Member Nations were greatly interested.

The Representative of El Salvador stated that deletion of the item for fellowships was contrary to previous agreement at both Lima and Ciudad Trujillo, that this should be considered a primary function of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau; he requested that funds be allotted for this purpose.

The Representative of Guatemala suggested that transfers be made from one item to another in order to comply with the wishes of Member Nations.

The Director stated it had been his observation that certain sums had been spent in an unsatisfactory manner, because of inadequate selection of candidates, language difficulties, etc.

The Representative of Argentina pointed out that, in order to carry out operations amounting to \$180,000 more in 1952 than in 1950, the proposed budget allots \$92,000 more for administrative costs. He then proposed an increase of \$100,000 over last year's budget to cover the building fund and wage scheme.

The Representative of the United States called attention to the fact that the 1951 budget permitted the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to operate at a level of \$1,600,000. Any request for increase of the United States quota would be refused by the Senate.

The Representative of Argentina asked the Representative of the United States if it would be possible to vote an additional appropriation for the Pan American Sanitary Bureau buildings.

The Representative of the United States replied that any request for quota increase would endanger the budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

The Observer from Cuba stated that the budget difficulties are due in large part to the delay in quota payments on the part of various countries, and proposed that a Working Party be appointed to make a thorough study of the matter.

The Representative of Peru pointed out that the new Proposed Program and Budget for 1952 had not been prepared by the Working Party named by the Executive Committee, but was a new document submitted by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

The Representative of El Salvador explained that the Working Party had not had an opportunity to review the Proposed Program and Budget for 1952 and that it was necessary to determine and redefine the objectives of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, sacrificing certain services, if necessary, in the interests of training personnel.

The Representative of Argentina stated that the Working Party appointed to examine the budget had not been able to

complete its assignment as expected and should therefore continue its work.

The Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau explained that the delay in quota payments on the part of certain countries was due to the dates on which their respective budgets become effective, and that the Bureau should receive approximately 70 per cent of the quotas this year, and another 18 per cent next year.

The Representative of the Dominican Republic expressed the opinion that in the budget adjustment the 1951 figure should be reduced since the Bureau had already undertaken to purchase property.

The Representative of Chile proposed that the revision of the proposed budget, as agreed upon, be carried out by the Working Party appointed for that purpose.

The Representative of El Salvador was of the opinion that the above discussion explained why the Working Party had taken no specific action on the budget, since they were desirous of securing the consent and guidance of the Committee in toto. He then pointed out that, inasmuch as an Adviser of the United States Delegation was a member of the Budget Working Party, the Executive Committee could properly continue its meetings this afternoon with five members.

The Observer from Cuba noted that the Working Party would not have to reconstruct the proposed budget, but only concern itself with the preparation of a document incorporating the necessary amendments.

DECISION TAKEN:

It was unanimously agreed that the proposed budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1952 be referred to the Working Party previously appointed by the Executive Committee, and that this Working Party render a report on April 30, 1951.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m. The Committee agreed to continue with the Order of the Day this afternoon at 2:30, as follows:

1. Revision of the Constitution of the Pan American Sanitary Organization (CEL3/10).
2. PASO relations with non-governmental organizations engaged in international public health and preventive medicine activities (CEL3/23).

The Working Party was instructed to meet at 2:30 p.m. at the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU
Regional Office of the
World Health Organization

CEL3/SP/A/9 (Eng.)
27 April 1951
ORIGINAL: SPANISH

PAN AMERICAN SANITARY ORGANIZATION
13th Meeting of the Executive Committee

PRECIS MINUTES OF THE EIGHTH PLENARY SESSION
Held at Washington, D. C.
Friday, 27 April 1951, at 3:35 p.m.

Interim Chairman: Dr. Gerardo Segura Argentina
Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante Pan American Sanitary Bureau

Present:

Members of the Committee:

Dr. Nacianceno Romero	Chile
Dr. Rafael Espaillat de la Mota	Dominican Republic
Dr. Jorge Estrella Ruiz	Peru
Mr. Simon N. Wilson, Adviser	United States
Dr. Fred L. Soper (ex-officio)	Pan American Sanitary Bureau

Observers:

Dr. Félix Hurtado	Cuba
Mr. Gabriel Rosaz	France
Dr. R. L. Beukenkamp	Netherlands
Mr. Paul R. Kelbaugh	Organization of American States

Others:

Mr. Benjamin Margolin and Mr. Charles L. Pool, officers of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

Note: Drs. Luis F. Galich, Frederick J. Brady and Juan Allwood Paredes, and Mr. James F. Anderson were attending the meeting of the Working Party on the Proposed Program and Budget.

PRECIS MINUTES OF THE SIXTH PLENARY SESSION

The Secretary read the Précis Minutes of the Sixth Plenary Session.

DECISION TAKEN:

Unanimously approved.

PAN AMERICAN SANITARY CODE

The Secretary read the cable sent to the Executive Committee by the World Health Organization, which stated that due consideration had been given to Resolution XVI of the XIII Pan American Sanitary Conference.

The Director stated that Resolution XVI had been transmitted previously to the Director-General of the World Health Organization.

WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY

The Secretary read the cable drafted by the Representative of Chile for transmittal to the Ministries of Foreign Affairs of the American Republics, inviting them to send their representatives to the IV World Health Assembly. This was submitted for discussion.

The Representative of the United States proposed some changes in the text of the cable.

DECISION TAKEN:

The following text was approved:

"The 13th Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Pan American Sanitary Organization, meeting in Washington, wishes to stress the desirability of appointment of a Delegate from your country to the IV World Health Assembly."

It was agreed to send this message only to countries which have not reported the appointment of their Delegates.

TOPIC 10: REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE PAN AMERICAN
SANITARY ORGANIZATION

Document CE13/10 was read and then submitted for discussion.

The Representative of the United States proposed that in view of the complexity of this subject, a subcommittee comprising three members of the Executive Committee be appointed to meet in Washington prior to the 14th Meeting of the Executive Committee for the purpose of studying and formulating recommendations on this topic; and that the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau be requested to obtain and submit to the above subcommittee the opinions of the parties mentioned in Paragraph 2, Resolution XXV of the XIII Pan American Sanitary Conference, and in Paragraph 1, Resolution XXII of the IV Meeting of the Directing Council.

All of the Representatives and the Observer from Cuba took part in the discussion.

The Representative of Argentina stated that clarification was necessary as to whether the former subcommittee was to continue to operate, or whether this were to be dissolved and another appointed; and in the latter event, that he would propose the Representatives of Chile, the Dominican Republic and the United States as members. He stressed the advisability of having this subcommittee meet while the Representatives were still in Washington for the purpose of gathering necessary background material and preparing a questionnaire which could be sent to the Governments to obtain their views on the proposed constitutional revision.

The Representative of Chile suggested that the Representative of the United States act as chairman of this subcommittee. The latter declined, stating he considered it preferable that the subcommittee appoint its own chairman.

The Observer from Cuba proposed that the Representative of El Salvador be re-appointed chairman of this subcommittee.

DECISIONS TAKEN:

1. The motion of the Representative of the United States was unanimously approved.
2. Approval was given to the proposal of the Representative of Argentina to appoint the Representatives of Chile, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador and the United States as members of the subcommittee.

TOPIC 25: PASO RELATIONS WITH NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS ENGAGED IN INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH AND PREVENTIVE MEDICINE ACTIVITIES

Document CE13/23 was read and then submitted for discussion.

The Director gave an extensive explanation of relations up to the present time between the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and the Inter-American Association of Sanitary Engineering. The Representatives of Argentina, Chile, Peru and the United States, and the Observer from Cuba took part in the discussion.

The Representative of Chile proposed that discussion of this topic be postponed until the results of the budget studies are known.

DECISION TAKEN:

The proposal of the Representative of Chile was approved.

The session was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Pan American Sanitary Bureau
Regional Office of the
World Health Organization

CE13/SP/A/10 (Eng.)
28 abril 1951
ORIGINAL: SPANISH

PAN AMERICAN SANITARY ORGANIZATION
13th Meeting of the Executive Committee

PRECIS MINUTES OF THE NINTH PLENARY SESSION
Held at Washington, D.C.
Saturday, 28 April 1951, at 9:50 a.m.

Chairman: Dr. Luis F. Galich Guatemala
Vice Chairman: Dr. Gerardo Segura Argentina
Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante Pan American
Sanitary Bureau

Present:

Members of the Committee:

Dr. Nacianceno Romero Chile
Dr. Rafael Espaillat de la Mota Dominican Republic
Dr. Juan Allwood Paredes El Salvador
Dr. Jorge Estrella Ruiz Peru
Dr. Frederick J. Brady United States
Mr. James F. Anderson, Adviser
Dr. Fred L. Soper (ex-officio) Pan American
Sanitary Bureau

Observers:

Dr. Félix Hurtado Cuba

Others:

Mr. Harry A. Hinderer, Mr. Harry L. Mitchell and Mr.
Charles L. Pool, officers of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

Some changes were also proposed to subparagraphs (e) (f) and (i).

The Representatives of Argentina, Chile, El Salvador, Guatemala and Peru, the Observer for Cuba, the Director of the Bureau and Mr. Harry D. Hinderer took part in the discussion.

DECISION TAKEN:

The draft resolution was approved with the modifications mentioned and the Drafting Committee was requested to incorporate the modifications approved.

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m. The Executive Committee was convened to continue discussing the Order of the Day at 2:30 p.m., as follows:

1. Consideration of the Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1952, submitted by the Budget Working Party.
2. Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1953, submitted by the Director (CE13/8).
3. Proposed Program and Budget of the Regional Office of the World Health Organization for 1953, submitted by the Director (CE13/9).
4. PASO relations with non-governmental organizations engaged in international public health and preventive medicine activities.

PAN AMERICAN SANITARY ORGANIZATION
13th MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

PRECIS MINUTES OF THE TENTH PLENARY SESSION
Held at Washington, D. C.
Saturday, 28 April 1951, at 2:50 p.m.

Chairman: Dr. Luis F. Galich Guatemala
Vice Chairman: Dr. Gerardo Segura Argentina
Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante Pan American Sanitary Bureau

Present:

Members of the Committee:

Dr. Nacianceno Romero Chile
Dr. Rafael Espaillet de la Mota Dominican Republic
Dr. Juan Allwood Paredes El Salvador
Dr. Jorge Estrella Ruiz Peru
Dr. Frederick J. Brady United States
Mr. James F. Anderson, Adviser
Mr. Simon N. Wilson, Adviser
Dr. Fred L. Soper (ex-officio) Pan American Sanitary Bureau

Observers:

Dr. Félix Hurtado Cuba
Mr. Gabriel Rosaz France
Dr. Emilio N. Oribe Uruguay

Others:

Dr. Paulo C. A. Antunes, Mr. H. A. Hinderer, Dr. Guillermo Samame, Dr. John D. Glismann, Mr. Harry L. Mitchell and Mr. Rafael H. Martinez, officers of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

PRECIS MINUTES OF THE EIGHTH PLENARY SESSION

The Secretary read the Precis Minutes of the Eighth Plenary Session.

The Representative of El Salvador, who had been attending a meeting of the Budget Working Party during the Eighth Plenary Session, explained that due to lack of time he was forced to decline his appointment as member of the Subcommittee formed to study the proposed constitutional revisions. At the renewed requests of the other Representatives, he accepted the appointment and requested that he be excused if he should be unable to arrange to come to Washington in time for the Subcommittee meeting and in that event, that the resolutions of the Subcommittee be forwarded to him by mail.

DECISION TAKEN:

The request of the Representative of El Salvador was un-
animously approved.

PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU
FOR 1952

The Secretary read Document CE13/7 (Rev. 1).

The Representative of El Salvador explained the procedure followed by the Working Party appointed to examine the modifications to the Proposed Program and Budget; he stated the conclusions reached by the Working Party, which had accepted the opinions of several members of the Executive Committee in connection with the Training Program for public health personnel.

In answer to a question raised by the Representative of Peru, Mr. Harry A. Hinderer explained that the total amount of the 1952 Budget had been reduced to a level equal to that of the 1951 Budget.

The Representative of Argentina stated that the amount at the disposal of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau will, in reality, be very much smaller since allowance had to be made for the building fund, fellowships and the new wage scheme. The United States Representative noted that the situation referred to by the Representative of Argentina would exist only as long as the Bureau failed to receive the agreed quota payments from all Member Governments. Once these payments were received, the Bureau will be able to meet these expenses without sacrifice, within the sum suggested.

All the Representatives, the Observer for Cuba, the Director of the Bureau, the Chief of the Division of Public Health and the Chief of the Division of Administration took part in the discussion. The Representative of Argentina recommended that the Committee meet as a Drafting Committee to draw up a resolution which would take into account the modifications proposed by the Representatives of the Dominican Republic, El Salvador and the United States.

The Drafting Committee met and formulated the following proposed resolution:

"WHEREAS:

The Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1952 necessitates contributions substantially higher than those which the Member Governments are able to assume,

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLVES:

1. To instruct the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to revise the Proposed Program and Budget of the Bureau for 1952 in accordance with the changes approved by the Executive Committee, and among other changes to include the following:

- a) Include the amount of US\$ 43,000 for the Training and Fellowships Program.
- b) From the sum of US\$ 65,922 allotted for the VI Meeting of the Directing Council, assign the necessary amount to subsidize the celebration of the First Inter-American Congress of Public Health
- c) Approve, as the budget to be prorated among Member Governments in 1952, a total amount equal to that approved for the year 1951.

2. To recommend that the new Proposed Program and Budget be transmitted by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to the Member Governments thirty days prior to the next meeting of the Directing Council."

The Representative of the United States proposed a change in the draft resolution on limitation of the number of positions filled by international personnel (Doc. CE13/7, page 9), but later withdrew his suggestion after the Representative of El Salvador explained why it was desirable to await the information to be furnished by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau in due course.

DECISION TAKEN:

1. The Resolution submitted by the Drafting Committee was unanimously approved.
2. The Proposed Appropriations Resolution (Doc. CE13/7, page 9) was unanimously approved, as follows:

PROPOSED APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION

I The Directing Council

RESOLVES to appropriate for the financial year 1952 an amount of \$1,943,681.00, as follows:

Purpose of Appropriation

PART I	Pan American Sanitary Organization	\$ 125,795
PART II	Pan American Sanitary Bureau - Operations	1,327,011
PART III	Pan American Sanitary Bureau - Administration	470,875
PART IV	Pan American Sanitary Bureau - Building Fund	50,000
	Total All Parts	<u>\$ 1,973,681</u>
	Less Miscellaneous Receipts	<u>30,000</u>
		<u>\$ 1,943,681</u>

- II Amounts not exceeding the appropriations noted under Paragraph I shall be available for the payment of obligations during the period 1 January to 31 December 1952, inclusive.
- III The appropriations noted under Paragraph I shall be financed by contributions from Member Governments, according to Article 60 of the Pan American Sanitary Code.
- IV The Director is authorized to transfer credits between Parts I, II, and III of the budget, provided that such transfer of credits between parts, as are made, do not exceed 10% of the part from which the credit is transferred. Transfers of credits between these parts of the budget in excess of 10% may be made with the concurrence of the Executive Committee. All transfers of budget credits between these parts of the budget shall be reported to the Directing Council.

- V. The Director is authorized to make any transfer between Parts I, II and III to cover expenses attendant to decentralization; it being understood that all transfers must be reported to the Directing Council.
- VI. No transfers may be made from Part IV of the budget.
- VII. Such income as may accrue to sums remaining in the Building Fund as of 31 December 1952 will be handled in accordance with Financial Regulations, Article VI, Section 6.1.

TOPIC 8: PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU FOR 1953, SUBMITTED BY THE DIRECTOR

The Secretary read document CE13/8.

The Representative of the United States and the Director took part in the discussion.

The Representative of Argentina proposed that the 1953 Budget be referred to the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for study and that, bearing in mind what had been said during discussion of the 1952 Budget, the Bureau prepare a new Proposed Program and Budget to be submitted for consideration at the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

DECISION TAKEN:

The above proposal was unanimously approved.

TOPIC 9: PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET OF THE REGIONAL OFFICE OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION FOR 1953

The Secretary read document CE13/9, which was then submitted for discussion.

The Representative of Argentina and the Director took part in the discussion.

The Representative of Argentina proposed that the draft resolution (Doc. CE13/9, page 3) be approved, and that the Budget be transmitted to the members of the Executive Committee for consideration at the earliest possible date.

DECISION TAKEN:

The above proposal was unanimously approved.

PRECIS MINUTES OF THE NINTH PLENARY SESSION

The Secretary read the Precis Minutes of the Ninth Plenary Session.

DECISION TAKEN:

The Minutes were unanimously approved.

TOPIC 25: PASO RELATIONS WITH NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS ENGAGED IN INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH AND PREVENTIVE MEDICINE ACTIVITIES

Document CE13/23 was read and then submitted for discussion.

The Director stated that his reason for submitting this problem was not to request budget appropriations, but rather to request authorization to enter into agreements with the Inter-American Association of Sanitary Engineering.

The Representatives of Argentina, El Salvador and the United States, the Director and the Chief of the Environmental Sanitation Section took part in the discussion. The following Resolution was submitted:

"THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Considering the proposals of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for inclusion in an agreement with the Inter-American Association of Sanitary Engineering (AIDIS), and bearing in mind the necessity of not burdening the Pan American Sanitary Bureau with additional expenses,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the present relations between the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and the Inter-American Association of Sanitary Engineering (AIDIS).

2. To request the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to prepare a draft agreement between the Directing Council and the Inter-American Association of Sanitary Engineering (AIDIS) for submittal to the next meeting of the Directing Council, it being understood that the expenses implied by the agreement must be within the budget of the Organization.

DECISION TAKEN:

The above resolution was unanimously approved.

TOPIC 14: STAFF RULES OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

The draft resolution submitted by the Drafting Committee was read.

With reference to the resolution regarding study of the reclassification of bilingual personnel, the Director emphasized that the adoption of this procedure might prove inadvisable; that the resolution should be limited to requesting that a larger number of bilingual personnel be employed; that the study requested in the resolution would require an additional appropriation to permit its execution.

The Representative of El Salvador proposed that, in view of the importance of the matter, this topic be referred to the next meeting of the Executive Committee with the recommendation that the Committee consider it at that time.

The Representative of Chile stated that he would accept the resolution submitted, provided there were no necessity of employing additional personnel to carry out the study. The Representative of Argentina suggested that the personnel of the Bureau could make the study, at the least possible cost.

All of the Representatives took part in the discussion.

The Representative of Argentina proposed that a resolution be drawn up stating that the Executive Committee, complying with instructions of the Directing Council, requested that in view of administrative difficulties connected with the study called for in the resolution, the Director submit a proposal outlining the reasons for and against the application of this procedure, to be referred to the next meeting of the Directing Council for review and study.

DECISION TAKEN:

The above proposal was unanimously approved.

The session was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

PAN AMERICAN SANITARY ORGANIZATION
13th MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

PRECIS MINUTES OF THE CLOSING SESSION
Monday, 30 April 1951, at 4:00 p.m.

Chairman: Dr. Luis F. Galich Guatemala
Vice Chairman: Dr. Gerardo Segura Argentina
Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante Pan American
Sanitary Bureau

Present:

Members of the Committee:

Dr. Nacienceno Romero Chile
Dr. Rafael Espaillat de la Mota Dominican Republic
Dr. Juan Allwood Paredes El Salvador
Dr. Jorge Estrella Ruiz Peru
Mr. Simon N. Wilson, Adviser United States
Mr. James F. Anderson, Adviser
Dr. Fred L. Soper (ex-officio) Pan American
Sanitary Bureau

Observers:

Dr. Félix Hurtado Cuba
Mr. Gabriel Rosaz France
Dr. R. L. Beukenkamp Netherlands
Dr. Emilio N. Oribe Uruguay
Mr. Paul R. Kelbaugh Organization of
American States

Others:

Dr. John R. Murdock, Assistant Director; Dr. Paulo
C. A. Antunes, Chief, Division of Public Health; Mr. Har-
ry A. Hinderer, Chief, Division of Administration, and
other officers of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

PRECIS MINUTES OF THE TENTH PLENARY SESSION

The Secretary read the Spanish text of the Precis Minutes of the Tenth Plenary Session.

DECISION TAKEN:

The Minutes were unanimously approved.

FINAL REPORT OF THE 13th MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Secretary read the Spanish text of the Final Report.

The Representative of El Salvador stated that in subparagraph (a) of Resolution I on the Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1952, it should be indicated that inclusion of the amount of \$43,000 will not prevent the Director from increasing this credit after revising the budget; and that the aforementioned figure should be considered a minimum which the Director cannot reduce for any reason whatsoever.

DECISION TAKEN:

The above proposal was approved.

In Resolution XXII of the Final Report, Paragraph 2, line four, the word "atribución" will be changed to "distribución" in the Spanish text; in the English text the word "allocation" will be replaced by the word "distribution".

DECISION TAKEN:

The Final Report of the 13th Meeting of the Executive Committee was unanimously approved.

The Members of the Executive Committee and the Secretary proceeded to sign the Final Report.

Dr. Galich thanked the Members of the Committee for having elected him Chairman, stating that he considered this honor a tribute to his country.

Mr. Simon N. Wilson, Adviser to the United States Representative, stated that Dr. Frederick J. Brady had requested that he express to the Committee Dr. Brady's regrets for not being able to attend the Closing Session due to a previous engagement.

The session was adjourned at 5:08 p.m.