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Topic 16: EMERGENCY REVOLVING FUND

The Directing Council, at its III Meeting, adopted a resolution creating an Emergency Fund in the amount of \$50,000.00, to be used by the Bureau to provide immediate relief to Member Governments in cases of unforeseen emergency health problems. Reimbursement to the Emergency Fund was to be made by refunding through payments from countries that may receive materials for emergency services, or by orders approved by the Executive Committee chargeable to the general funds of the Bureau. The Executive Committee and the Directing Council were to receive reports pertaining to the use of such funds.

In accordance with the provisions of the above-mentioned resolution, emergency procurement action has been undertaken at the request of Governments. For the calendar year 1960 the Financial Report of the Director, Official Document No. 37, reflects the activities in relation to the respective Governments, as well as the status of the Fund at the end of the year. Supplementary information on activities during 1961 and the status of the Fund as at 31 March 1961 is presented below.

	Balance due 1 January 1961	Expended since 1 January 1961	Reimbursed since 1 January 1961	Balance due 31 March 1961
,	\$	\$	· \$	\$
Chile	-	775	•	775
Cuba	13,723	23	~	13,746
Mexico	7,216	-	5,369	1,847
Nicaragua	303	1,163	290	1,176
Total	21,242	1,961	5 , 659	17,544

STATUS OF FUND

AS AT 31 MARCH 1961

Cash in Bank	\$ 32 , 456
Accounts Receivable	17,544
Authorized Amount	50,000

In addition the Director wishes to report that commitments for purchases under the Fund have been entered into as explained below. Upon receipt and payment of vendor's invoices these purchases will be reflected as expenditures under the Fund, and the respective Governments will be informed of the exact amount to be reimbursed to the Fund.

At the request of the Ministry of Public Health, Chile, emergency supplies of diphtheria toxoid were purchased. The estimated cost of the supplies delivered is \$8.545.00

At the request of the Ministry of Public Health, Nicaragua, emergency supplies of human rabies vaccine and diphtheria vaccine were purchased. The estimated cost of the supplies delivered is \$1,270.00

In view of the above-mentioned commitments the balance of the Fund available for further procurement is approximately \$22,641 as at 31 March 1961.