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RELATIONS OF THE PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION WITH OTHER ORGANS
OF THE INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM

The Working Party composed of Dr. Alberto Calvo (Panama), Dr. Miguel Yopez (Ecuador), and Dr. Daniel Orellana (Venezuela), met yesterday afternoon 20 April 1966 and after having carefully examined the documents submitted by the Director and taken duly into account the opinions expressed in the course of discussion in the plenary session of the Executive Committee, drafted the two proposed resolutions which it submits to the Committee.

Annex: Proposed Resolution

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

RELATIONS OF THE PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION WITH OTHER
ORGANS OF THE INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having examined Document CE54/4, Rev. 1 on the Relations of the Pan American Health Organization with other Organs of the Inter-American System which contains the report of the Director on the Fourth Annual Meetings of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council at the Expert and Ministerial Level;

Bearing in mind the recommendations approved at these meetings relating to health or to activities which the Pan American Health Organization carries out as a specialized organization of the inter-American system; and

Bearing in mind Resolution XII of the 52nd Meeting of the Executive Committee and Resolution XV of the XVI Meeting of the Directing Council, XVII Meeting of the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization,

RESOLVES:

1. To acknowledge the commendable efforts the Director has made at all meetings of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council since the approval of the Act of Bogota, which have brought about recognition of the importance of health in the social and economic well-being of the peoples of the Americas.

2. To take note with satisfaction and interest of Document CE54/4, Rev. 1, which contains the report of the Director on the Fourth Annual Meetings of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council at the Expert and Ministerial Level, held in Buenos Aires from 15 to 31 March 1966; the Second Extraordinary Inter-American Conference which was held in Rio de Janeiro from 17 to 30 November 1965; and the Meeting of the Special Committee for the Preparation of Draft Amendments to the Charter of the Organization of American States, which met in Panama from 26 February to 1 April 1966.

3. To transmit the above-mentioned document to the XVII Pan American Sanitary Conference, XVIII Meeting of the Regional Committee for the Americas of the World Health Organization, together with the Resolution.

4. To point out the importance which the Fourth Annual Meetings of IA-ECOSOC gave to health in the context of economic and social development of the Americas as shown in the Resolutions approved at the Ministerial Level concerning health and development planning, population; coordination of Planning Offices and improvement of planning techniques; improvement of statistics of Latin American countries; social security in the framework of the Alliance for Progress; Statutes of the Inter-American Emergency Fund; Study of the future financing of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center.

5. To recommend to the Director that he continue to develop and strengthen the relations between IA-ECOSOC, the Inter-American Committee

of the Alliance for Progress (CIAP) and the Organization, with a view to strengthening the incorporation of health activities into programs of economic and social development.

6. To instruct the Director to continue his efforts in the manner he considers it most efficient to ensure that items relating to the health of the peoples of the Western Hemisphere are included in the agenda of the meetings of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council and that in the notices of the meeting sent to the Governments he draw attention to the advisability of the delegations of the countries including technicians from the health services who can bring their knowledge and experience to the examination of the above-mentioned items.

7. To recommend to the Director that he continues to pay particular attention to the meetings in which amendments to the Charter of the Organization of American States are dealt with so as to ensure that health receives proper recognition among the principles which inspire the action of the OAS and, so that, in any amendments which may be made other charter of the OAS, the rights which the Organization of American States has already granted to the Pan American Health Organization will be respected.

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Recommends to the XVII Pan American Sanitary Conference that it approves a resolution along the following lines:

"THE XVII PAN AMERICAN SANITARY CONFERENCE,

Recognizing the importance in the economic development and the nutritional status of the Americas of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center which receives assistance and support from the Government of Brazil as the host country, is administered by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, and financed by the Technical Cooperation Program of the Organization of American States;

Recognizing the important work that the Center has carried out in the field of education and training, advisory services to Governments, and research on various problems with a view to reducing the incidence of the disease;

Bearing in mind the serious financial problem which has arisen from the fact that the budget covering the period of 1 April 1966 to 30 June 1967 recently approved for the Center by the Inter-American Economic and Social Council at its Fourth Annual Meetings in March 1966 is insufficient to permit the activities to be continued even at the 1965 level;

Believing that the Center has reached a stage in which the expansion of services is urgently necessary to allow it to assist the Governments in the planning and execution of national immunization programs;

Bearing in mind the resolution of the Fourth Annual Meetings of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council in March 1966 which recommends that the Organization of American States and the Pan American Health Organization take joint measures to study how to establish a system of payments by the countries with a view to ensuring the permanent and stable financing of the Center; and

Considering that both the Inter-American Development Bank and the World Bank have both recognized the economic importance of the programs and have informed the Inter-American Committee on the Alliance for Progress of its intention to grant loans to Governments to finance national control programs,

RESOLVES:

1. To emphasize the importance of maintaining the activities of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center, administered by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, at a sufficient level to allow it to provide Governments with scientific cooperation and technical advice in the planning and execution of national Foot-and-Mouth Disease control programs.

2. To express its concern about the immediate financial situation arising from the inadequate budget approved by the Inter-American Economic and Social Council which would not even allow activities to be maintained at the present level, and to instruct the Director to examine all possible means of obtaining greater financial support so as to avoid a reduction in present activities and obtain a gradual increase of that support according to the needs of the program.

3. To express its satisfaction with the fact that as far as long-term needs are concerned, and in accordance with the provisions of the pertinent resolution of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council, the Director has begun a study in collaboration with the competent officials of the Organization of American States to draw up a plan for the continuing and stable financing of the Center.

4. To instruct the Director to report to the Executive Committee at its 56th Meeting on the progress made in this regard.