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FINAL REPORT

Under the Chairmanship of Dr. Alberto E. Calvo (Panama) and the Vice-Chairmanship of Dr. Daniel Orellana (Venezuela), the 56th Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Pan American Health Organization was held in the Headquarters building at Washington, D. C., from 26 April to 3 May 1967, as convened by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

The following Members of the Committee, Observers, and officials of the Bureau attended the Meeting:

Members:

Dr. Roberto Acosta Borrero COLOMBIA

Dr. Alfredo Pérez Rueda ECUADOR

Dr. José Joaquín Carvajal Aragundi

Dr. Orlando Aguilar Herrera GUATEMALA

Dr. Charles C. Wedderburn JAMAICA

Mr. H. Dale Anderson

Dr. Alberto E. Calvo PANAMA

Dr. Benjamin D. Blood UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Dr. James E. Banta

Mr. Howard B. Calderwood

Mr. Edward Betzig

Mr. Simon N. Wilson

Dr. Daniel Orellana VENEZUELA

Member and Secretary ex officio of the Committee:

Dr. Abraham Horwitz, Director

PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

Observers:

Dr. Julio Santa Maria

CHILE

Mr. André Cira

FRANCE

Mr. W. Roosdorp

KINGDOM OF THE NETHERLANDS

Mr. J. B. Hoekman

Organization of American States:

Mr. O. Howard Salzman

Mrs. Alzora H. Eldridge

Advisers to the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau

Dr. John C. Cutler, Deputy Director

Dr. Victor A. Sutter, Assistant Director

Dr. Stuart Portner, Chief of Administration

Dr. Pedro N. Acha, Regional Adviser on Veterinary Public Health

Dr. Alfredo N. Bica, Chief, Communicable Diseases Branch

Dr. Bichat Rodrigues, Regional Adviser on Smallpox

Dr. Alfredo Leonardo Bravo, Chief, Medical Care Branch

Mr. Earl D. Brooks, Chief, Management and Personnel Branch

Dr. Emilio Budnik, International Liaison Officer

Miss Margaret C. Cammaert, Regional Adviser on Nursing Services

Advisers to the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau (continuation)

- Dr. Marcos Charnes, Chief, Fellowships Branch
- Dr. Carlos Diaz-Coller, Chief, Professional Education Branch
- Dr. Abraham Drobny, Chief, Health Promotion Branch
- Dr. René González, Regional Adviser on Mental Health
- Dr. Mark D. Hollis, Chief, Environmental Sanitation Branch
- Dr. M. Martins da Silva, Chief, Office of Research Coordination
- Dr. James S. McKenzie-Pollock, Chief, Office of National Health Planning
- Mr. Clarence H. Moore, Chief, Budget and Finance Branch
- Dr. Vicente P. Musa, Regional Adviser on <u>Aedes aegypti</u> Eradication
- Dr. Ruth R. Puffer, Chief, Health Statistics Branch
- Dr. José Quero Molares, External Relations Officer
- Dr. Oswaldo J. da Silva, Chief, Malaria Eradication Branch
- Dr. Nilo Vallejo, Health Educator
- Dr. Ramon Villarreal, Chief, Medical Education Branch

Chief, Secretariat Services

Mr. José Rodríguez Olazábal

Public Information

Mr. Peter Ozorio

AGENDA

At the first plenary session held on 26 April 1967, the agenda contained in Document CE56/1, Rev. 3, was approved.

DRAFTING COMMITTEE

Pursuant to Rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Committee, a Drafting Committee composed of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and the Secretary was established.

PLENARY SESSIONS

Twelve plenary sessions and a closing session were held. "Seven sessions were devoted to a detailed and exhaustive examination of the Proposed Program and Budget of the Organization, prepared by the Director pursuant to Article 14-C of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization. This examination was not limited to the budgetary items but covered specific projects and general questions related to the policy and program of the Organization. In its work the Executive Committee was assisted by the Director and the technical staff of the Bureau.

RESOLUTIONS APPROVED

In the course of the Meeting of the Committee, the following resolutions were approved:

RESOLUTION I

CE56 R1

APPLICATION BY THE GOVERNMENT OF GUYANA FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having examined the application of the Government of Guyana for membership in the Pan American Health Organization, contained in a letter dated 20 September 1966 from Mr. P.H. Ceid, Acting Prime Minister and Minister of External Affairs, to the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To take note of the application of the Government of Guyana for membership in the Pan American Health Organization, which it instructs the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to transmit to the Directing Council.
- 2. To recommend to the Directing Council that it give favorable consideration to the application of the Government of Guyana for membership in the Pan American Health Organization.

(Approved at the first plenary session, 26 April 1967)

RESOLUTION II

CE56 R2

APPLICATION BY THE GOVERNMENT OF BARBADOS FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having examined the application of the Government of Barbados for membership in the Pan American Health Organization, contained in a letter dated 5 April 1967 from Mr. F.L. Cozier, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs, to the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To take note of the application of the Government of Barbados for membership in the Pan American Health Organization, which it instructs the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to transmit to the Directing Council.
- 2. To recommend to the Directing Council that it give favorable consideration to the application of the Government of Barbados for membership in the Pan American Health Organization.

(Approved at the eighth plenary session, 1 May 1967)

RESOLUTION III

CE56.R3

AMENDMENT TO THE RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having considered the amendment to the Rules of Procedure proposed by the Director and contained in the Annex to Document CE56/7; and

Considering that the adoption of the rules proposed in that document would facilitate the conduct of business,

RESOLVES:

To incorporate the amendments proposed by the Director into the Rules of Procedure; which will then read as shown in the Addendum to Document CE56/7.

RESOLUTION IV

CE56.R4

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR AND REPORT OF THE EXTERNAL AUDITOR FOR THE YEAR 1966

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having examined the Financial Report of the Director and the Report of the External Auditor for the fiscal year 1966 (Official Document No. 75);

Noting that the Organization continues to be in sound financial condition, and that during 1966 quota collections were higher, the level of the Working Capital Fund was increased and there were increases in the Reserves for Termination Costs;

Recognizing that, although the number of Governments in arrears more than two years had dropped to two at the date of the Pan American Sanitary Conference, this group had increased to five when on 31 December the unpaid quotas for 1966 became classified as "arrears", and

Observing that the expenditures for program recommended in the authorized budget are necessary in order to attain the established objectives of improving the health of the people of the Americas and promoting economic and social development.

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the Financial Report of the Director and the Report of the External Auditor for the fiscal year 1966 (Official Document No. 75) and transmit them to the XVII Directing Council.

- 2. To again draw the attention of the governments to the need for quotas to be paid as soon as possible, within the course of each financial year.
- 3. To commend the Director for having achieved a sound financial condition through the consistent application over the years of the policies for maintaining budgetary expenditures within income, building up the WCF, and creating reserves for termination costs.

RESOLUTION V

CE56 R5

AMENDMENT TO THE FINANCIAL RULES OF THE PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Recognizing the importance of assuring that short-term consultant services planned as a part of the program of the Organization should be provided in full, even when the period of assignment has not been completed by the end of the financial year; and

Desiring to follow WHO practice with respect to obligations for short-term consultants,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To confirm the amendment to the Financial Rules of the Pan American Health Organization which adds the following sub-paragraph to Article III, paragraph 103.2:
 - (c) the entire costs relating to short-term consultants whose period of assignment may not have been completed by the end of the financial year.
- 2. To request the Director to report this amendment to the XVII Meeting of the Directing Council.

(Approved at the eighth plenary session, 1 May 1967)

RESOLUTION VI

CE56.R6

RESIGNATION OF THE EXTERNAL AUDITOR

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having been informed of the resignation of the External Auditor, Mr. Uno Brunskog, to be effective 1 January 1968; and

Bearing in mind that it has been the practice of the Pan American Health Organization and the World Health Organization to have the same External Auditor and that Mr. Lars Breie, the External Auditor of the World Health Organization has expressed his willingness to serve as the External Auditor of PAHO,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To note with regret the resignation of Mr. Uno Brunskog, for reasons of age.
- 2. To express its thanks for his conscientious services and his many valuable recommendations on financial policy.
- 3. To recommend to the Directing Council that it appoint the External Auditor of the World Health Organization to be the External Auditor of the Pan American Health Organization.

(Approved at the eighth plenary session, 1 May 1967)

RESOLUTION VII

CE56 R7

AMENDMENTS TO THE STAFF RULES OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having considered the amendments to the Staff Rules of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau contained in Annex to Document CE56/6 submitted by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau; and

Bearing in mind the provisions of Staff Rule 030,

RESOLVES:

To approve the amendments to the staff rules of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau submitted by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau in Annex to Document CE56/6, to be effective as from 1 January 1967.

RESOLUTION VIII

CE56.R8

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE XVII MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL, XIX MEETING OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION FOR THE AMERICAS

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having considered the report submitted by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau (Document CE56/10) on the arrangements for the XVII Meeting of the Directing Council, XIX Meeting of the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization for the Americas and the 57th Meeting of the Executive Committee,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To take note of the report submitted by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau on the arrangements made for the XVII Meeting of the Directing Council, XIX Meeting of the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization for the Americas, and the 57th Meeting of the Executive Committee.
- 2. To approve the arrangements made by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and to authorize him to convene a meeting of the Committee to be held this year in Port of Spain, Trinidad from 2 to 13 October.

(Approved at the eighth plenary session, 1 May 1967)

RESOLUTION IX

CE56 R9

APPOINTMENT OF THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND OF THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Considering that, for professional and personal reasons, Dr. John C. Cutler, Deputy Director, and Dr. Victor A. Sutter, Assistant Director, are unable to continue the valuable services they have performed in those posts for several years at the Pan American Sanitary Bureau;

Having been informed that the Director of the Pan American Sanitary
Bureau, using the powers conferred on him by Article 21-B of the Constitution
has appointed Dr. Charles L. Williams to the post of Deputy Director, and
Dr. Alfredo Arreaza Guzmán to the post of Assistant Director;

Considering that, in accordance with the above-mentioned Article 21-B of the Constitution, the appointments of officials to these posts must be approved by the Executive Committee; and

Considering that, in the opinion of the Committee, the persons appointed are suitable to discharge the functions assigned to them,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve the appointment of Dr. Charles L. Williams to the post of Deputy Director, and that of Dr. Alfredo Arreaza Guzmán to the post of Assistant Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

2. To express their profound thanks to Dr. John C. Cutler and Dr. Victor A. Sutter for the work they have carried out so zealously and competently for the benefit of the health of the peoples of the Americas.

RESOLUTION X

CE56 R10

REPRESENTATION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AT THE XVII MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL XIX MEETING OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION FOR THE AMERICAS

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Considering that the Directing Council in Resolution XXIII adopted at its XVI Meeting, decided that the Executive Committee should be officially represented by its Chairman or by any other member that the Committee might designate at future meetings of the Directing Council and the Pan American Sanitary Conference,

RESOLVES:

To appoint Dr. Alberto E. Calvo, Chairman of the Executive Committee to officially represent it at the XVII Meeting of the Directing Council.

RESOLUTION XI

CE56 R11

REPORT ON THE COLLECTION OF QUOTA CONTRIBUTIONS

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having considered the report of the Director on the collection of quota contributions (Document CE56/17);

Having noted the information and comments on quotas contained in the Financial Report of the Director and the Report of the External Auditor (Official Document No. 75);

Considering that the collection of quotas, although it has improved is still a problem, in that arrears are still unpaid; and

Considering the importance of prompt and full payment of quota contributions to assure financial support for the entire approved program,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To take note of the Report on the Collection of Quota Contributions (Document CE56/17).
- 2. To commend the Director for his efforts to solve the problem of quotas in arrears.
- 3. To commend the Governments for the efforts they made in 1966 to paying quotas in arrears and to increase the percentage of the current quotas paid.

- 4. Nevertheless, to express the concern of the Committee, in particular over quotas that are more than two years in arrears.
- 5. To request the Director to continue to submit full reports to the Governments on the status of the collection of quotas and the consequences that failure to pay them has on the execution of the PAHO program.
- 6. To recommend to the Governments whose quotas are in arrears to pay them as soon as possible and those whose quotas are two or more years in arrears, to put into operation their financial plans for the payment of those arrears within a definite period.

RESOLUTION XII

CE56 R12

PROVISIONAL AGENDA FOR THE XVII MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,
XIX MEETING OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE WORLD HEALTH
ORGANIZATION FOR THE AMERICAS

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having considered the provisional agenda (Document CD17/1) prepared by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for the XVII Meeting of the Directing Council, XIX Meeting of the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization for the Americas; and

Considering that Article 12-C of the Constitution provides that: "the provisional agenda of the Council shall be prepared by the Director of the Bureau and submitted to the Executive Committee for approval", and that, pursuant to the rules of procedure in force the Governments may propose such items as in their opinion should be considered by the Council,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve the provisional agenda prepared by the Director (Document CD17/1) for the XVII Meeting of the Directing Council, XIX Meeting of the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization for the Americas.

2. To authorize the Director to include in the above-mentioned agenda the additional items derived from this meeting and those that may be proposed in good time by the Governments, or by organizations entitle to propose agenda items.

RESOLUTION XIII

CE56 R13

REPORT ON BUILDINGS AND INSTALLATIONS

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTE,

Having considered the report of the Director on buildings and installations (Document CE56/12);

Noting the developments in the utilization of the Headquarters building and in housing PAHO/WHO staff at the Zone Offices; and

Noting the need for prudent advance planning of future buildings and installations,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To take note of the report of the Director on Buildings and Installations.
- 2. To express its appreciation to the Members of the

 Permanent Subcommittee on Buildings and Installations for their

 continued assistance in safeguarding the interests of the Organization
 in these matters.
- 3. To instruct the Director to continue his efforts to obtain on favorable terms financial support to enable adequate installations to be acquired for the Zone Offices.

- 4. To request the Director of the Pan American Sanitary
 Bureau to report to the XVII Directing Council on short and long
 range plans for buildings and installations.
- 5. To thank the Government of Jamaica for the works of art it has donated to the Headquarters building.
- 6. To request the Governments to continue to contribute works of art to the Headquarters building.

RESOLUTION XIV

CE56 R14

STATUS OF AEDES AEGYPTI ERADICATION IN THE AMERICAS

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having considered the report of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau on the <u>Aedes aegypti</u> eradication program in the Americas (Document CE56/8);

Having also considered the reports of the Conference and the Study Group on the eradication of <u>Aedes aegypti</u> in the Americas which were held under the auspices of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau in Washington, D.C., from 3 to 5 and from 6 to 12 April 1967, respectively;

Considering that the vast areas still infested by Aedes aegypti in the Hemisphere constitute dangerous sources of reinfestation for the countries which have already eradicated the mosquito;

Recognizing that the frequent reinfestations which have been occurring in various areas jeopardize the success of the continental campaign;

Convinced that the success of that campaign can only be ensured if the above-mentioned sources of reinfestation are speedily eliminated;

Considering that administrative and financial difficulties are at present the sole obstacles impeding the satisfactory conduct of the campaign in almost all the countries still infested by the vector; and

Bearing in mind that the XVII Pan American Sanitary Conference in Resolution XIX authorized the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to obtain funds to finance the prompt eradication of Aedes aegypti,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To take note of the report of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and of the report of the Conference and Study Group on the eradication of Aedes aegypti in the Americas.
- 2. To reaffirm the recommendation of the XVII Pan American Sanitary Conference to the Governments of the countries still infested by the vector that they take the necessary measures to overcome any administrative difficulties that may be hampering the progress of their campaigns, and that they give the highest priority to the provision of the funds, personnel and supplies needed to complete those campaigns as soon as possible.
- 3. To congratulate the Director on the success of the Conference and the Meeting of the Study Group on eradication of Aedes aegypti and to recommend to him that he continue his efforts to ensure that Aedes aegypti eradication is carried out simultaneously and in a coordinated manner in all countries in which the problem still exists.
- 4. To recommend to the Member Governments that they bring their influence to bear in international credit agencies to ensure the inclusion in their credit policy of the provision of loans for <u>Aedes aegypti</u> eradication.

- 5. To recommend to the Member Countries that they give one another reciprocal assistance either directly or through the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, such as the provision of loans or bilateral grants as well as supplies and equipment for <u>Aedes aegypti</u> eradication campaign.
- 6. To request the Director to provide the Member Countries with such assistance as they may need in order to put into effect the recommendations contained in paragraphs 4 and 5 of this resolution.
- 7. To recommend to the Director that he include in the budget of the Pan American Health Organization such supplementary allotments as are considered necessary for strengthening the assistance that the Pan American Sanitary Bureau has been giving to the Governments for Aedes aegypti eradication.
- 8. To recommend to the Director that he explore the possibility of establishing within the budget of the Pan American Health Organization a special Aedes aegypti eradication campaign account.

RESOLUTION XV

CE56 R15

FELLOWSHIPS PROGRAM

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having considered the Report of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau on the Fellowships Program (Document CE56/13) and the comments of the Members of the Executive Committee thereon,

RESOLVES:

To take note of the above-mentioned report with satisfaction and interest and to recommend to the XVII Meeting of the Directing Council that it consider and approve the following draft resolution:

"THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Bearing in mind the importance of the Fellowships Program for the education and training of the professional and the auxiliary staff of national health services and for the faculty of schools of medicine and of related sciences;

Bearing in mind that full cooperation by the Governments at all stages is essential to the success of the Fellowships Program;

Being of the opinion that it is highly advisable to maintain the existing coordination between the PAHO and the WHO Fellowships Program and those of other United Nations Specialized Agencies and the procedures common thereto, since a considerable number of fellowships are financed by funds from the World Health Organization and the United Nations Development Programme; and

Bearing in mind the scope acquired by the Fellowships Program in recent years which makes it necessary to intensify efforts to evaluate the results obtained.

RESOLVES:

- 1. To approve the Report of the Director on the Fellowships Program.
- 2. To recommend to the Governments that they continue their efforts to improve their procedures for the selection of fellowship applicants, including, inter alia, the establishment of special selection committees.
- 3. To emphasize to the Governments the importance on making full use of the services of fellows when they complete their studies in their specialized field and in close relationship with national health plans.
- 4. To draw to the attention of Governments on Resolution XIX of the X Meeting of the Directing Council which recommends that they continue to pay the salary and safeguard the seniority and other rights of officials pursuing fellowship studies abroad since failure

to do so is harmful to the selection of the best applicants, to the pursuit of their studies, and to the efficient conduct of the fellowships program.

- 5. To recommend to the Director that he continue to coordinate the Fellowships Program with those of the specialized agencies of the United Nations, the Inter-American System, and other agencies because of the satisfactory results obtained so far.
- 6. To instruct the Director to continue his efforts, in the way he considers most effective and in cooperation with the Governments to make a complete evaluation of the fellowships program and to report his findings at a later date."

RESOLUTION XVI

CE56 R16

STATUS OF SMALLPOX ERADICATION IN THE AMERICAS

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having considered the report of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau on the status of smallpox eradication in the Americas (Document CE56/14);

Bearing in mind the importance of the smallpox problem in the Americas and the repeatedly expressed wish of the Governments of the Americas that this disease be eradicated;

Bearing in mind that the smallpox eradication program in the Americas is a pressing need that demands the attention of all the countries in the Americas;

Considering that the World Health Organization has assigned for 1967 the amount of US\$670,000 for the smallpox eradication program in the Americas; and that for 1968 the Director-General of the World Health Organization has requested US\$695,000 for the Region of the Americas for the same purpose; and

Considering that the XVII Pan American Sanitary Conference has approved the continental plan for smallpox eradication proposed by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To recommend to the countries where smallpox still exists that they prepare national plans for the eradication of the disease:
- 2. To urge the Governments of the countries whose eradication programs are progressing slowly to adopt prompt measures to eliminate any administrative difficulties that may be hampering their campaigns, and to give the highest possible priority to the provision of funds, personnel, and supplies needed to complete those campaigns as soon as possible.
- 3. To recommend to the Governments that special care is taken in the preparation of smallpox vaccine to ensure that it meets the purity and potency requirements established by WHO and to urge them to make use of the reference laboratory services which PASB has established.
- 4. To recommend to the countries where the disease has been eliminated that until such time as smallpox is no longer a continental problem they try to establish maintenance programs and epidemiological vigilance services.
- 5. To recommend to the Director of the Pan American Sanitary
 Bureau that he take necessary measures to intensify and accelerate the
 smallpox eradication plan approved by the XVII Pan American Sanitary
 Conference and that the countries be given the technical advisory
 services and material assistance they need, subject to the availability

of budgetary funds, and that the Governments that require it be provided with it in accordance with the progress of their programs and the need of each of the program stages, and the plans of operation established with the assistance of PASB.

6. To urge the Governments of the countries that are free of smallpox but where the immunity level of the population is low, to initiate programs designed to rapidly raise the immunity level of the population.

RESOLUTION XVII

CE56 R17

PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET OF THE PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION FOR 1968

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having studied in detail the provisional draft of the Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Health Organization for 1968 (Official Document No. 67) and the modifications thereto appearing in Document CE56/5 prepared by the Director;

Considering that the XVII Pan American Sanitary Conference, in Resolution IX noted that the provisional draft of the Proposed Program and Budget for 1968 (Official Document No. 67) contained well-conceived and much-needed public health projects;

Considering that the program modifications appearing in Document CE56/5 were made after consultation with each Government and reflect the latest known desires and requirements of Governments, with due regard to priorities of needs; and

Bearing in mind Article 14-C of the Constitution of the PAHO and Financial Regulations 3.5 and 3.6,

RESOLVES:

To commend to the XVII Meeting of the Directing Council for its favorable consideration the Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan

American Health Organization for 1968 (Official Document No. 67) and the modifications thereto appearing in Document CE56/5 prepared by the Director, at the level of \$10,190,000.

(Approved at the twelfth plenary session, 3 May 1967)

RESOLUTION XVIII

CE56 R18

PAN AMERICAN FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE CENTER

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Being aware of the significance of foot-and-mouth disease with respect to both nutrition and economic development of the Americas and recognizing the valuable services of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center, under the direction of the Pan American Health Organization and supported by the Program of Technical Cooperation of the Organization of American States;

Having noted the declaration of CIAP, at its meeting in March 1967, which recommends that countries contribute to the stable and permanent financing of the Center;

Having further noted the Resolution 24-E/66, CIES/966, Rev. 2, ll April 1966, with respect to future program and financing and the action taken pursuant to the instruction that the Pan American Health Organization and the Organization of American States submit a joint report to the Ninth Meeting of CIAP with respect to the status of the foot-and-mouth disease problems in the Americas, the functions and activities of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center and its needs to accomplish its task;

Having noted that in fulfillment of the IA-ECOSOC resolution the Secretary-General of the Organization of American States and the Director

of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau appointed as Special Representative of these Organizations His Excellency the Vice-President of Peru,

Mr. Edgardo Seoane, to visit the countries of the Hemisphere accompanied by the Director of the Center, Dr. Carlos Palacios, to discuss with the Gobernments the foot-and-mouth disease problem, and to recommend a program of action;

Having been informed of actions already taken by both the InterAmerican Development Bank and the International Bank for Reconstruction
and Development to support pre-investment studies which are expected to
lead to national and multinational programs, with external financial resources and requiring continuing technical services from the Center;

Having learned of the additional support of the Government of the United States of America to finance promising research on new control techniques;

Recognizing the need for and favorable possibilities of expansion of national and regional programs to cope with this problem and the necessary technical and coordinating role of the Center, in association with national programs or the international agencies, such as the Inter-American Development Bank which may be expected to provide financial support; and

Taking note of the XX Resolution of the XIII Pan American Sanitary

Conference regarding the operations of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth

Disease Center.

RESOLVES:

- 1. To reaffirm the importance of continuing the international and national efforts to control foot-and-mouth disease in the Americas.
- 2. To reiterate the great value of maintaining the activities of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center at a sufficient level and with stable long-term financing, to enable it to provide Governments with scientific cooperation and technical advice in planning and executing international and national foot-and-mouth disease programs.
- 3. To support the Director in his efforts to obtain funds from all possible sources to provide adequate financial support to enable the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center to cooperate with Governments in their national programs.
- 4. To request the Inter-American Social and Economic Council to make provision for financing the activities of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center at an effective level during the period through 30 June 1969, in order to permit operation of the current program of the Center.
- 5. To note with satisfaction and to endorse the recommendations concerning the program and financing arrangements contained in the report of the mission of His Excellency, the Vice-President of Peru and the Director of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center.

- 6. To request the Director to submit the report mentioned in paragraph 5 above and the Joint Report to the IV Meeting of CIAP (CIAP/18) to the XVII Meeting of the Directing Council with the recommendation that it consider the proposals therein and that it provide for the continuation of the operations of the Center under the administration of PAHO at an effective level.
- 7. To authorize the Director to maintain the present level of operations of the Center by continuing to advance funds from the Working Capital Fund against reimbursement from contributions from Governments for this purpose and/or additional support from the IA-ECOSOC subject to the decision of the XVII Directing Council Meeting on the operation of the Center.
- 8. To express its thanks to the Organization of American States for the financial assistance it has been giving the Pan American Footand-Mouth Disease Center, through the Program of Technical Assistance.
- 9. To instruct the Director to report to the XVII Meeting of the Directing Council on the progress of the program of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center and of the efforts to arrange both long-term and short-term financing of the Center.

RESOLUTION XIX

CE56 R19

SUPPLY OF TEXTBOOKS FOR MEDICAL STUDENTS

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having considered the report of the Director on the program for the supply of textbooks for medical students (Document CE56/11);

Bearing in mind that Resolution XV of the XVII Pan American
Sanitary Conference acknowledged the urgent need for the program whose
purpose is to improve the quality of medical education and provide
medical schools in Latin America with modern textbooks on terms suited
to financial possibilities of their students;

Considering that negotiations to obtain financial support for the program from international credit agencies are still pending;

Bearing in mind that any delay is contrary to the interest expressed in and urgent need for this program repeatedly expressed by the Governments and the universities and medical schools, and by the Pan American Federation of Associations of Medical Schools; and

Mindful of Resolution XVII of the 54th Meeting of the Executive Committee and Resolution XV of the XVII Pan American Sanitary Conference,

RESOLVES:

1. To reaffirm the importance, the interest and the urgent need of the project for medical education programs, and to approve the steps taken so far.

- 2. To instruct the Director to continue negotiations with the IDB and other possible sources of financing for the program.
- 3. To take note of the fact that the IDB would be prepared to reimburse the funds invested in this program from 1 January 1967 as part of the loan, should the loan be approved by the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Development Bank.
- 4. To request the Director to continue to confer with those in the field of textbook producing and distributing, especially textbooks in the scientific field, for the countries of the Americas with a view to obtaining cooperation in the effort to provide medical students with textbooks at low cost.
- 5. To recommend to the Director that he gradually implement the Program using existing funds particularly those available in the Special Health Promotion Fund.
- 6. To transmit the above-mentioned report (Document CE56/11) and this resolution to the next Meeting of the Directing Council and to instruct the Director to supplement the information contained in it with a further report on such activities as may be undertaken up to date of the meeting.

RESOLUTION XX

CE56.R20

INTENSIFICATION OF HEALTH PROGRAMS - DECISIONS TAKEN AT THE MEETING OF AMERICAN HEADS OF STATE

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Bearing in mind that the XVII Pan American Sanitary Conference instructed the Director to take steps to ensure that certain health problems, which because of their characteristics and scope call for solutions at the highest level, be placed on the Agenda of the Meeting of the American Heads of State;

Considering that the Director took the appropriate steps as instructed, got into touch with the Secretary General of the OAS, the Preparatory Commission of the Meeting of the Heads of State and the Group of Special Advisers appointed by it, the XI Meeting of Consultation of the Ministers of External Affairs (Second and Third Sessions), the Special Commission of Personal Representatives of the Heads of State, and attended the Meeting of the American Heads of State at Punta del Este;

Bearing in mind the Report of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau on the Meeting of the American Heads of State (Document CE56/19) and the comments the Representatives made on it during the discussion;

Mindful that the Heads of State at the Punta del Este Meeting took decisions on the improvement of health conditions in the Hemisphere and its fundamental role in the economic and social development of Latin America; and

Bearing in mind that the decisions on health matters contained in the "Declaration of the American Presidents" endorse the policy of the Pan American Health Organization, a fact which lightens the responsibility assigned to the Organization of cooperating with the Governments in the preparation of specific programs,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To take note of the Report of the Director of the Bureau (Document CE56/19) and to commend him for carrying out the task he was charged with by Resolution XXX of the XVII Pan American Sanitary Conference.
- 2. To emphasize the importance of the decisions taken at Punta del Este for the public health and the development of the countries of the Americas.
- 3. To recommend to the Director that subject to the availability of funds, he take such technical, administrative, and financial steps as may be necessary to carry out the instructions of the American Heads of State to the Pan American Health Organization, namely to cooperate with the Governments in the preparation of specific programs relating to the health objectives approved at Punta del Este.
- 4. To recommend to the Director that he consider the advisability of convening a meeting of Ministers of Health to draw up an action program for implementing the decisions of the American Heads of State.

5. To transmit this resolution and the report of the Director (Document CE56/19) to the next meeting of the Directing Council.

RESOLUTION XXI

CE56 R21

MEETINGS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Bearing in mind that, pursuant to Article 14-C of the Constitution, the Executive Committee is required to consider and submit to the Conference or to the Council the proposed program and budget prepared by the Director of the Bureau, with such recommendations as it deems advisable;

Considering that the proposed program and budget could be more appropriately considered after the World Health Assembly has approved the WHO Budget for the following financial year;

Considering that a detailed examination by the Executive Committee of the agenda items to be submitted to the Directing Council or the Conference, as the case may be, would facilitate the work of those Governing Bodies; and

Mindful of Article 17 of the Constitution,

RESOLVES:

1. To hold one regular meeting each year at the Headquarters of the Organization, subsequent to the meeting of the World Health Assembly and at a date to be fixed by the Chairman of the Executive Committee in agreement with the Director of the Bureau.

2. To authorize the Director of the Bureau to convene a meeting of the Executive Committee immediately prior to the XVII Meeting of the Directing Council.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Chairman of the Executive Committee and the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, Secretary ex officio, sign the present Final Report in the English and the Spanish languages, both texts being equally authentic.

DONE in Washington, D. C., United States of America, this third day of May, nineteen sixty-seven. The Secretary shall deposit the original texts in the archives of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and shall send copies thereof to the Governments of the Organization.

Chairman of the Executive Committee Representative of Panama

Director of the
Pan American Sanitary Bureau,
Secretary ex officio of the
Executive Committee