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## COMMITTEE I (PROGRAM AND BUDGET)

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## SECOND REPORT OF THE RAPPORTEUR

During its Fifth Session Committee I examined the Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1954 (Topic 11 - Document CD6/5) and the Proposed Program and Budget of the Region of the Americas, World Health Organization, for 1954 (Topic 18 - Document CD6/6).

It also examined a proposal by the undersigned Representative on the payment of per diem and traveling expenses, by the interested countries, to Technical Assistance employees, and another proposal by the Representatives of Mexico and El Salvador (Document CD6/31) regarding remuneration of the international staff of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

During the Sixth Session it examined Topic 12, Plan of Long-Range Public Health Programs (Document CD6/12); Topic 15, Preliminary Report on Evaluation of the Activities of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau (Document CD6/18); Topic 21, Study of the Fundamental Principles of Pan American Health (Document CD6/7); and Topic 22, Annual Reports from Member States of the World Health Organization (Document CD6/21); as well as a proposal by the Representative of Mexico in regard to the creation of a Committee of the Council to study a program of economies and decentralization in the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

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Nine resolutions have been approved in connection with the Topics and proposals discussed during the Fifth and Sixth Sessions, and their text appears as an Annex to the present report. Since the General Committee has seen these resolutions, I have the honor to submit them, in the name of Committee I, to the Directing Council, for approval.

Annex

Topic 11: SUMMARY OF PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU FOR 1954.

## WHEREAS:

Document CD6/5, Summary of Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1954, has been presented to the Directing Council; and

In the course of the discussion to which that document gave rise, the majority of the Representatives expressed the opinion that the Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1954 could not be approved at this Meeting,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

## RESOLVES:

To instruct the Director to transmit the Summary of Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1954 to the Governments, requesting them to make known their observations thereon before the 19th Meeting of the Executive Committee, which will be held in 1953.

Topic 18: PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET OF THE REGION OF THE AMERICAS, WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION, FOR 1954

## WHEREAS:

The Proposed Program and Budget of the Region of the Americas, World Health Organization, for 1954, prepared by the Director, has been presented to the Directing Council,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

### RESOLVES:

To transmit this Proposed Program and Budget of the Region of the Americas for 1954 (Document CD6/6) to the Director-General of the World Health Organization, so that he may take it into consideration in the preparation of the Budget of the World Health Organization and so that the Executive Board may formulate its observations and the Sixth World Health Assembly take action thereon.

# · PER DIEM AND TRAVEL EXPENSES OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE EMPLOYEES

## WHEREAS:

The payment of per diem and travel expenses to Technical Assistance employees, under the policies of the Economic and Social Council, for the performance of technical services, has created financial and constitutional difficulties; and

These requirements, with regard to foreign specialists, not only represent an additional expense, but also encumber the procedures for engaging experts needed in essential programs,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

- l. To express the desire of the American public health organizations that negotiations be undertaken in the United Nations to obtain the elimination of the payment of per diem and travel expenses, by the interested countries, to employees sent on Technical Assistance missions.
- 2. To request the Director of the Bureau to call this resolution to the special attention of the Ministries of Public Health and Foreign Affairs of the Member Countries.

# PROGRAM OF ECONOMIES AND DECENTRALIZATION OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

## WHEREAS:

The members of the Directing Council and the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau have expressed their desire that a program of economies and decentralization be carried out in the Pan American Sanitary Bureau; and

It is desirable that this purpose be achieved promptly, without affecting the fundamental activities of the Bureau,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

- l. To establish a Committee of three members of the Directing Council, charged with studying the measures it would be appropriate to take in order to effect economies and decentralize the activities of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, and submitting a report thereon.
- 2. To recommend to the said Committee that it also suggest economies in the Budget of the Regional Office of the World Health Organization.
- 3. To authorize the Director to defray the expenses of the said Committee.
- 4. To authorize the Committee to utilize, if necessary, the services of advisers or experts, and to take into consideration the suggestions made.

# Topic 12: PLAN OF LONG-RANGE PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS

## WHEREAS:

The Executive Committee and the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau have complied with paragraph 4 of Resolution VI on Program and Budget Policy of the Pan American Sanitary Organization, adopted by the Directing Council at its V Meeting;

The Executive Committee at its 16th Meeting adopted Resolution V approving the development of a long-range program; and

The Executive Committee has submitted to the Directing Council for approval certain guiding principles for continuous planning, requesting at the same time that the Director be entrusted with the preparation of budgets in harmony with this program,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

- l. To approve the development of a long-range public health program, based on continuous survey and evaluation of the needs and the resources of the Member Countries, in conformity with Resolution V approved by the Executive Committee at its 16th Meeting, designed to:
  - a. Strengthen the fundamental services for the promotion and preservation of the health of the peoples of all the countries.
  - b. Provide means for the training of professional and sub-professional personnel for the health services of the Member Countries, and develop local and regional resources to this end.
  - c. Coordinate and assist in the planning and operation of individual or regional programs for the eradication of widely distributed communicable diseases,

such as urban yellow fever, malaria, smallpox, syphilis, and yaws, which constitute a potential threat to the Hemisphere and for which there are suitable means of eradication.

2. Instruct the Director to prepare future budgets in harmony with this program.

# REMUNERATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF MEMBERS OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

## WHEREAS:

The Directing Council has taken into consideration Resolution II, adopted at the 17th Meeting of the Executive Committee;

It is convinced of the need to promote administrative measures that will benefit equally the international staff members of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau who work at Headquarters and those who work away from Headquarters;

It has been recognized that there are obvious advantages in having the staff rules and salary schedules of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau uniform with those of the World Health Organization; and

The adoption of administrative policies identical with those already adopted or which may be adopted by the World Health Organization might, in certain cases, make it difficult to institute provisions that would be equitable and just for the entire staff of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau wherever employed,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

- 1. To request the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to study the principles that govern the remuneration of the staff members and to transmit his recommendations on the matter to the Executive Committee.
- 2. To request the Director and the Executive Committee to inform the Directing Council at its VII Meeting of the results of that study.

Topic 21: STUDY OF THE FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES OF PAN AMERICAN HEALTH

## WHEREAS:

In the course of the discussion on Document CD6/7 (Study of the Fundamental Principles of Pan American Health), various Representatives expressed the view that it was not advisable to continue the discussion,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

## RESOLVES:

To suspend the studies begun on the Fundamental Principles of Pan American Health

Topic 22:

ANNUAL REPORTS FROM MEMBER STATES OF THE WORLD
HEALTH ORGANIZATION: RECOMMENDATIONS ON FORM
AND CONTENT TO ENSURE UNIFORMITY AND COMPARABILITY

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

- 1. To take note of the resolutions of the Ninth Meeting of the Executive Board of the World Health Organization and of the Fifth World Health Assembly in regard to the Annual Reports from the Member States under Articles 61 and 62 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization.
- 2. To consider that the Annual Reports from the Member States will fulfill both the obligations under Articles 61 and 62 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization and those under Resolution VII of the XIII Pan American Sanitary Conference.
- 3. To invite and urge the Member States to request and utilize the consulting services of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau in reviewing the form and content of their annual reports.
- 4. To request the Director to use the information contained in such reports in answering inquiries from Member States.
- 5. To request the Executive Committee to consider further the form of the annual reports from the Member States in order to improve their usefulness to the Organization and to the Member States themselves.

Topic 15: PRELIMINARY REPORT ON EVALUATION OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

## WHEREAS:

A Committee of the Directing Council has been named to study and report on the measures it would be appropriate to take in order to effect economies and decentralize the activities of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

### RESOLVES:

To postpone examination of Topic 15 on the Agenda of the VI Meeting (Preliminary Report on Evaluation of the Activities of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau) (Document CD6/18) until the VII Meeting of the Directing Council.