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XII MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL OF THE  
PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION  
XII MEETING OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE  
WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

FINAL REPORT

The XII Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Health Organization, XII Meeting of the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization, took place in the city of Havana, Republic of Cuba, from 14 to 26 August 1960, inclusive, as convoked by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, in compliance with Resolution I adopted by the Executive Committee at its 39th Meeting.

PARTICIPANTS

The meeting opened under the provisional chairmanship of Dr. Luis Patiño-Camargo, Representative of Colombia. The following Governments were represented, as they appear in the List of Participants (Annex I): Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, France, Haiti, Honduras, Kingdom of the Netherlands, Mexico, Panama, Peru, United Kingdom, United States of America, Uruguay, and Venezuela. The Government of Canada designated an observer. The meeting was also attended by observers from the Organization of American States, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the International Committee of Military Medicine and Pharmacy, and various nongovernmental organizations and other interested institutions.

#### OFFICERS

The election of the Chairman and two Vice-Chairmen of the Council took place pursuant to Article 3 of the Rules of Procedure, the officers of the meeting being:

<u>Chairman:</u>	Dr. José R. Machado Ventura	Cuba
<u>Vice-Chairmen:</u>	Dr. H. van Zile Hyde	United States of America
	Dr. Lisandro Lattuf	Venezuela
<u>Secretary ex officio:</u>	Dr. Abraham Horwitz	Director, Pan American Sanitary Bureau

#### COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

Pursuant to Article 22 of the Rules of Procedure, the Committee on Credentials was elected with the following members:

<u>Chairman:</u>	Dr. Félix Buteau	Haiti
<u>Rapporteur:</u>	Dr. Arturo Zelaya	Honduras
<u>Member:</u>	Dr. Julio Alvarez	Ecuador

#### GENERAL COMMITTEE

Upon election of the Representatives of Chile, Costa Rica, El Salvador, and Mexico, in accordance with Article 24 of the Rules of Procedure, the General Committee was composed of the following members:

Dr. José R. Machado Ventura Chairman of the Council	Cuba
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Dr. H. van Zile Hyde Vice-Chairman of the Council	United States of America
Dr. Lisandro Lattuf Vice-Chairman of the Council	Venezuela
Dr. Gustavo Fricke Representative	Chile
Dr. Rodrigo Jiménez Monge Representative	Costa Rica
Dr. Francisco Monterrosa Representative	El Salvador
Dr. Felipe García Sánchez Representative	Mexico
Dr. Abraham Horwitz (Secretary ex officio)	Director, Pan American Sanitary Bureau

#### AGENDA

Pursuant to Article 10-B of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization, the Director of the Bureau submitted to the 40th Meeting of the Executive Committee, for approval, the preliminary draft agenda of the XII Meeting of the Directing Council. The Executive Committee approved the preliminary draft and authorized the Director to include therein any additional topics proposed in due time by the Member Governments and by organizations entitled to propose topics.

The Directing Council, in accordance with Article 18 of its Rules of Procedure, approved the agenda (Document CD12/1, Rev.1) at the first plenary session.

At the sixth plenary session the topic "Secondment of Staff from Member Governments" was added to the agenda at the proposal of the Representative of Colombia, and at the tenth plenary session the topic

"Economic Aspects of Health Activities" was added at the proposal of the Representative of Argentina.

The General Committee, in accordance with Article 25-B of the Rules of Procedure, determined the order in which the topics of the agenda were submitted to the Directing Council for consideration in plenary session.

#### INAUGURAL SESSION

The formal inaugural session was held in the "Camilo Cienfuegos" Hemicycle at the National Capitol, city of Havana, on 14 August 1960, at 9:30 p.m.

Addresses were delivered by the Minister of Public Health of Cuba, Dr. José R. Machado Ventura; by the Representative of Colombia, Dr. Luis Patiño-Camargo, who spoke on behalf of the delegations to the meeting; by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, Dr. Abraham Horwitz; and, finally, by His Excellency the President of the Republic of Cuba, Dr. Osvaldo Dorticós Torrado, who officially opened the XII Meeting of the Directing Council.

#### TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS

The Directing Council devoted 19 August to the Technical Discussions, which were held with Dr. Gustavo Fricke (Chile) as Moderator, assisted by the Rapporteur, Mr. Juan L. Radelat (Cuba), and by the Technical Secretary, Mr. Harold R. Shipman, Chief of the Environmental Sanitation Branch, Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

The topic examined in the Technical Discussions was "Technical, Administrative, Legal, and Financial Aspects of Garbage and Refuse Disposal." At the first session, after a preliminary statement by the Moderator, Mr. William Xanten and Mr. Abraham Michaels, whom the Director of the Bureau had designated to prepare preliminary studies, presented their papers.

A special panel established for the discussions included, in addition to the Moderator, the Rapporteur, and the two experts appointed by the Director, the following members: Dr. Francisco Monterrosa, Representative of El Salvador to the meeting of the Council, and Dr. Nicolás Quinto, Dr. Eude Brocco, and Mr. Juan A. Cova Marín, of the Division of Malariology of the Ministry of Public Health and Welfare of Venezuela.

The Directing Council considered the report on the Technical Discussions at the ninth plenary session and adopted a resolution on the subject at the twelfth session.

#### RESOLUTIONS APPROVED

As a result of its deliberations, the Directing Council approved the following resolutions:



RESOLUTION I

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

The Directing Council,

Having examined the Annual Report of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, Regional Office of the World Health Organization for the Americas, for 1959 (Official Document No. 34),

RESOLVES:

To take note of the Annual Report of the Director, congratulating him and the staff of the Bureau on the brilliance and comprehensiveness of that report, which not only clearly outlined the work of the Organization but also enunciated the health problems of the Hemisphere and indicated the path to their solution in a most commendable manner.

(Approved at the third plenary session,  
16 August 1960)

RESOLUTION II

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR AND REPORT OF THE  
EXTERNAL AUDITOR FOR 1959

The Directing Council,

Having examined the Financial Report of the Director and the  
Report of the External Auditor for 1959 (Official Document No. 33); and

Bearing in mind the decision taken by the Executive Committee at  
its 40th Meeting with respect to the aforesaid reports (Resolution XI),

RESOLVES:

To approve the Financial Report of the Director and the Report of  
the External Auditor for 1959.

(Approved at the fourth plenary session,  
16 August 1960)

RESOLUTION III

EMERGENCY REVOLVING FUND

The Directing Council,

Having examined the report of the Director on the use of the Emergency Revolving Fund (Document CD12/11); and

Considering that, if the Fund is to serve its important purpose of collaboration with the Governments, it is essential that it be maintained at the established level,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the report on the use of the Emergency Revolving Fund, presented by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

2. To recommend that the Governments, when they request assistance from the Fund, reimburse as soon as possible the amounts advanced from the Fund.

(Approved at the fourth plenary session, 16 August 1960)

RESOLUTION IV

STATUS OF Aedes Aegypti ERADICATION IN THE AMERICAS

The Directing Council,

Taking into account the Final Report on the Activities of the Aedes aegypti Eradication Program in El Salvador, presented at this meeting, according to which that country declared itself to be free of Aedes aegypti, after having satisfactorily met the standards on which the criteria established by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for the purpose are based,

RESOLVES:

1. To accept the Final Report presented by the Republic of El Salvador and to declare its territory free of Aedes aegypti.
2. To call upon the countries and territories that are still infested to take action, so that countries that have not yet initiated eradication activities may undertake them, and those that have such activities underway may intensify them, in accordance with the decisions taken at the XI Pan American Sanitary Conference.
3. To remind the countries in which the vector has already been eradicated, of the necessity for maintaining strict vigilance in land, air, and sea ports in order to prevent reinfestation.

(Approved at the sixth plenary session  
17 August 1960)

RESOLUTION V

AMENDMENTS TO THE STAFF RULES OF THE  
PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

The Directing Council,

Acting pursuant to Article 12.2 of the Staff Regulations of the  
Pan American Sanitary Bureau,

RESOLVES:

To take note of the amendments to the Staff Rules of the  
Pan American Sanitary Bureau, approved by the Director and confirmed by  
the Executive Committee at its 40th Meeting, which appear in  
Document CE40/2, Annex I.

(Approved at the seventh plenary session,  
18 August 1960)

RESOLUTION VI

REPORT OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON BASIC DOCUMENTS OF THE  
PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION

The Directing Council,

Having examined the report of the Subcommittee on Basic Documents of the Pan American Health Organization (Document CE40/10); and

Taking into account Resolution IV adopted by the Executive Committee at its 40th Meeting,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the report of the Subcommittee on Basic Documents of the Pan American Health Organization, contained in Document CE40/10, and to thank the Subcommittee members for the work they are performing.

2. To request the Executive Committee to report further on the Subcommittee's activities to the XIII Meeting of the Directing Council.

(Approved at the seventh plenary session,  
18 August 1960)

RESOLUTION VII

REPORT ON THE DEVELOPMENT AND UTILIZATION OF INCAPARINA

The Directing Council,

Having carefully studied Document CD12/20 on the development and utilization of INCAPARINA;

Considering that the utilization of INCAPARINA by certain countries will contribute greatly to the success of the campaign against malnutrition, especially in children; and

Considering that, in accordance with Resolution VIII adopted by the Council of INCAP at its XI Meeting, Panama City, 8-10 August 1960, INCAP will "advise the Governments on all aspects of the industrial production and control of products developed by INCAP,"

RESOLVES:

To recommend to the Member Governments that, through their respective public health and related departments, they carefully study the potential value and the possibilities of producing INCAPARINA or similar local products, and the means of promoting the consumption of these products by the public.

(Approved at the eighth plenary session,  
18 August 1960)

RESOLUTION VIII

PROGRAM AND BUDGET OF THE PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION FOR 1961

The Directing Council

RESOLVES:

1. To appropriate for the financial year 1961 an amount of \$4,800,000 as follows:

<u>Purpose of Appropriation</u>		
Part I	Pan American Health Organization	\$ 231,484
Part II	Pan American Health Organization - Headquarters	1,406,960
Part III	Pan American Health Organization Field and Other Programs	2,361,556
Part IV	Amount for Increasing the Working Capital Fund	<u>300,000</u>
Total - All Parts		\$4,800,000
<u>Less:</u>		
	Estimated Miscellaneous Income	\$53,154
	Contributions on behalf of France, the Netherlands, and the United Kingdom	<u>46,846</u>
Total		<u>\$ 100,000</u>
TOTAL FOR ASSESSMENT		<u>\$4,700,000</u>

2. Amounts not exceeding the appropriations noted under Paragraph 1 shall be available for the payment of obligations in accordance with the Financial Regulations of the Organization incurred during the period 1 January to 31 December 1961, inclusive.



3. The appropriations as noted above shall be financed by contributions from Member Governments according to Article LX of the Pan American Sanitary Code; from contributions on behalf of France, the Netherlands, and the United Kingdom according to Resolutions XV and XL of the V Meeting of the Directing Council, and miscellaneous income accruing to the Pan American Health Organization.

4. The Director is authorized to transfer credits between parts of the budget, provided that such transfers of credits between parts as are made do not exceed 10% of the part from which the credit is transferred. Transfers of credits between parts of the budget in excess of 10% may be made with the concurrence of the Executive Committee. All transfers of budget credits shall be reported to the Directing Council.

(Approved at the eighth plenary session,  
18 August 1960)

RESOLUTION IX

AMENDMENT OF ARTICLE 44 OF THE RULES OF  
PROCEDURE OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

The Directing Council,

Considering that both the Pan American Sanitary Conference and the Executive Committee of the Pan American Health Organization have adopted, in Articles 55 and 28 of their respective Rules of Procedure, the procedure of having the Final Reports signed only by the Chairman and the Secretary *ex officio* of the meetings; and

Bearing in mind that the adoption of this same procedure by the Directing Council would enable the Representatives, at the close of the working sessions, to return without delay to the duties they perform in their respective countries,

RESOLVES:

To amend Article 44 of the Rules of Procedure of the Directing Council, to read as follows: "Article 44 - The Chairman and the Secretary *ex officio* shall sign the Final Report."

(Approved at the tenth plenary session,  
22 August 1960)

RESOLUTION X

PROVISIONAL DRAFT OF THE PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET  
OF THE PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION FOR 1962

The Directing Council,

Having examined Official Document No. 31, submitted by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and containing a provisional draft to be considered as the preliminary basis for the 1962 Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Health Organization that will be submitted to the 43rd Meeting of the Executive Committee and to the XIII Meeting of the Directing Council;

Recognizing that the provisional draft of the Proposed Program and Budget comprises well-conceived and much-needed health projects; and

Taking into account the recommendations and comments made by various delegations during the discussion of the provisional draft,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the provisional draft of the Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Health Organization for 1962.

2. To instruct the Director, in preparing his Proposed Program and Budget for 1962, and in his consultations with the Governments on this matter, to give due consideration to the recommendations and comments made by several delegations.

(Approved at the tenth plenary session,  
22 August 1960)

RESOLUTION XI

PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION FOR THE  
REGION OF THE AMERICAS FOR 1962

The Directing Council,

Having examined Official Document No. 31, submitted by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and containing the Proposed Program and Budget of the World Health Organization for the Region of the Americas for 1962; and

Bearing in mind that the aforesaid Proposed Program and Budget is submitted to the Directing Council as Regional Committee of the World Health Organization, for review and transmittal to the Director-General of that Organization so that he may take it into consideration in the preparation of the proposed budget of the WHO for 1962,

RESOLVES:

To approve the transmittal of the Proposed Program and Budget of the World Health Organization for the Region of the Americas for 1962, and to request the Regional Director to transmit it to the Director-General of that Organization so that he may take it into consideration when preparing the WHO budget for 1962.

(Approved at the tenth plenary session,  
22 August 1960)

RESOLUTION XII

COLLABORATION OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU IN  
ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTICES OF NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICES

The Directing Council,

Having examined the report of the Director on the collaboration  
of PASB in administrative practices of national health services;

Bearing in mind Resolution XXXV of the X Meeting of the  
Directing Council; and

Considering the developments of the survey currently in progress,  
and the efforts being extended to give assistance to Governments both  
through fellowships and advisory services,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the report presented by the Director.
2. To request the Director to report on the results of the  
survey and the progress in this program to the XIII Meeting of the  
Directing Council.

(Approved at the eleventh plenary session,  
23 August 1960)

RESOLUTION XIII

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Directing Council,

Having examined the annual report of the Executive Committee, presented by its Chairman, Dr. Bichat Rodrigues, Representative of Brazil; and

Considering the terms of Article 8-C of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization,

RESOLVES:

To approve the annual report of the Chairman of the Executive Committee and to congratulate the Chairman, Dr. Bichat Rodrigues, and all members of the Committee on the work accomplished.

(Approved at the twelfth plenary session  
23 August 1960)

RESOLUTION XIV

BUILDINGS AND INSTALLATIONS FOR HEADQUARTERS

The Directing Council,

Having noted Resolution II of the 41st Meeting of the Executive Committee;

Considering that the Executive Committee at its 40th Meeting resolved, inter alia (Resolution I), to recommend that the Directing Council authorize the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to accept title to the land to be donated by the Government of the United States of America, on behalf of the Pan American Health Organization;

Bearing in mind that the Executive Committee at its 40th Meeting resolved, inter alia (Resolution II), to recommend to the Directing Council that any balance remaining from the fire insurance settlement be transferred to the Building Reserve Fund; and

Wishing to implement a building program which will avoid unnecessary delays,

RESOLVES:

1. To express again its deep appreciation to the Government of the United States of America for the measures it has taken with respect to the donation of the site for the construction of the headquarters building of the Pan American Health Organization.

2. To authorize the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to accept title to the land to be donated by the Government of the United States of America, on behalf of the Pan American Health Organization.

3. To approve the proposals of the Subcommittee regarding:  
(a) methods of selecting architects, engineers, and contractors;  
(b) estimated space requirements; (c) facilities to be included in the building; (d) estimated cost; and (e) methods of financing, as outlined in the Subcommittee's report (Document CD12/21).

4. To authorize the Director, with the concurrence of the Permanent Subcommittee on Buildings and Installations, to arrange financing for the construction of the headquarters building by means of a twenty-year loan, if possible interest free, and to provide in the regular annual budgets of the Organization the funds necessary to repay the loan in annual installments.

5. To authorize the Executive Committee to act on behalf of the Pan American Health Organization regarding the construction of the headquarters building, and to authorize the Executive Committee to redelegate this authorization, to the extent that it deems appropriate, to the Permanent Subcommittee on Buildings and Installations.

6. To approve the transfer to the Building Reserve Fund of the balance remaining from the insurance settlement following the fire which occurred in the headquarters building on 5 November 1959.

(Approved at the twelfth plenary session, 23 August 1960)



RESOLUTION XV

STATUS OF MALARIA ERADICATION IN THE AMERICAS

The Directing Council,

Having examined the report on the status of malaria eradication in the Americas (Document CD12/6);

Taking into account that the XIV Pan American Sanitary Conference, meeting in Santiago, Chile, in October 1954, took the initiative in establishing the program to eradicate malaria in the Americas (Resolution XLII);

Taking into account that the Eighth World Health Assembly, held in Mexico City in May 1955, adopted a resolution that malaria should be eradicated not only in the Americas but throughout the world, and to this effect initiated pertinent measures (WHA 8.30); and

Considering that malaria constitutes a serious obstacle to the economic development of vast fertile regions of the Hemisphere,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the aforesaid report and of the progress that the Governments have achieved.
2. To express its satisfaction with the measures being taken by Governments and by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to solve the epidemiological and entomological problems encountered in the course of the campaign.

3. To reaffirm its interest in the program and to request that the Member Governments continue their efforts to complete the eradication campaigns in their respective territories, thereby contributing toward the attainment of the goal of world-wide eradication.

4. To express again its appreciation to the Governments that have generously contributed to the Special Malaria Fund of the Pan American Health Organization, and to invite all the Governments to contribute to this fund.

5. To convey its appreciation to the United Nations Children's Fund and to the International Cooperation Administration of the United States of America for the collaboration they are rendering to the countries, and to express the hope that this collaboration will continue.

(Approved at the twelfth plenary session  
23 August 1960)

RESOLUTION XVI

ECONOMIC ASPECTS OF MALARIA ERADICATION

The Directing Council,

Taking into account the unfavorable effects on the countries' economies of the prevalence of malaria;

Considering that the technical and economic measures that should be taken by the Governments require, for the fullest achievement of their purposes, a better knowledge of the problems of malaria in each country; and

Considering that the lack of knowledge by economists constitutes a gap that must be filled in order to break the vicious circle of poverty and illness,

RESOLVES:

1. To suggest to the Member Governments that, in their respective economic plans, recognition be given to the importance of the eradication of malaria in their territories and its significance for improvement in the standard of living, especially that of rural people who live in areas having a high incidence of this disease.

2. To request the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to study, insofar as budgetary limitations permit, the possibility of devising methods for the evaluation, by the Member Governments, of the economic and social significance implicit in the speedy elimination of malaria.

3. To recommend that the Member Governments consider the possibility of extending such evaluation services to include all the programs conducted by their respective public health administrations.

(Approved at the twelfth plenary session, 23 August 1960)

RESOLUTION XVII

STATUS OF SMALLPOX ERADICATION IN THE AMERICAS

The Directing Council,

Having examined the report presented by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau (Document CD12/8); and

Considering that, although smallpox has already disappeared in various countries of the Americas and is being eliminated in others through intensive vaccination programs, there are still some countries in which the disease persists and where intensive vaccination programs have not been undertaken, a situation that represents a serious public health problem for the entire Hemisphere,

RESOLVES:

1. To express its satisfaction with the success achieved by various Member Governments in eradicating smallpox from their territories, and with the development of nation-wide vaccination campaigns in other countries, which makes it possible to foresee the disappearance of the disease in the not-too-distant future.

2. To urge once again that the Governments of countries where smallpox still exists and where no nation-wide eradication campaigns have been undertaken, intensify their efforts to implement such programs as soon as possible.

3. To recommend that the Member Governments give special attention to the maintenance of adequate levels of immunity in the population, in order to consolidate the gains already achieved.

4. To recommend that the Member Governments provide the public health services with the facilities necessary for the laboratory diagnosis of suspect cases of smallpox, a measure that becomes increasingly important as the eradication programs progress.

5. To call the attention of the Member Governments to the importance of the correct application of the special measures concerning smallpox set forth in the International Sanitary Regulations.

(Approved at the twelfth plenary session, 23 August 1960)

RESOLUTION XVIII

ELECTION OF TWO MEMBER COUNTRIES TO THE EXECUTIVE  
COMMITTEE ON THE TERMINATION OF THE PERIODS OF  
OFFICE OF MEXICO AND VENEZUELA

The Directing Council,

Considering the provisions of Article 13-A of the Constitution  
of the Pan American Health Organization; and

Considering that the Governments of Argentina and Chile were  
elected to the ~~Executive~~ Committee on the ~~termination~~ of the ~~periods~~ of  
office of Mexico and Venezuela,

RESOLVES:

1. To declare the Governments of Argentina and Chile elected to  
membership on the Executive Committee for a period of three years.

2. To extend its thanks to the Governments of Mexico and Venezuela  
for the services rendered to the Organization by their Representatives  
on the Executive Committee.

(Approved at the thirteenth plenary  
session, 24 August 1960)

RESOLUTION XIX

REPORT ON THE COLLECTION OF QUOTA CONTRIBUTIONS

The Directing Council,

Having examined the report on the collection of quota contributions (Document CD12/10);

Considering that some countries may encounter difficulties in the payment of the assessed quotas to the Pan American Health Organization, as the result of various factors -- among them, regulations connected with monetary controls and, particularly, foreign exchange controls; and

Considering that the timely payment of their contributions by the Governments is fundamental to the development of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau programs approved by the Member Countries,

RESOLVES:

1. To request the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to study the possibility of having the Member Countries pay part of the assessed quotas in their respective national currencies.

2. That consideration be given to the possibility of having part of the aforesaid payments made in the form of services such as fellowships of the Organization offered by countries that are in a technical position to do so.



3. That the possibility be studied of paying in the currency of the Member Country a proportion of the expenses incurred in implementing programs in its territory.

4. To request the Bureau to study formulas that will enable countries in arrears to make payment of the amounts necessary to amortize their obligations, applying, wherever possible and in each case, those measures that will make feasible the settlement of these obligations by means of the payment of a portion of these arrears in their respective national currencies.

5. To recommend to the Director that he convey the information herein requested to the 43rd Meeting of the Executive Committee for its consideration.

(Approved at the thirteenth plenary session, 24 August 1960)

RESOLUTION XX

PROGRESS REPORT ON COMMUNITY  
WATER SUPPLY PROGRAMS

The Directing Council,

Having studied in detail the report on the status of community water supply programs (Document CD12/12), presented by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau;

Considering the urgent need for intensifying those programs in many areas of Latin America as an indispensable measure for the economic and social development of the populations concerned; and

Bearing in mind the collaboration that is being given by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau in the form of advisory services, orientation, and training of personnel, in pursuit of the goals established in Resolution XVI of the XI Meeting of the Council,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of, and express its satisfaction with, the report presented by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau on the progress made in the development of the community water supply programs and to urge that the Member Governments and the Director continue the intensification of efforts for the improvement of these programs.

2. To thank the Governments of the United States of America and of Venezuela for their generous contributions to the Special Community Water Supply Fund.

3. To request the Director to continue his efforts to obtain additional voluntary contributions from all sources, public and private, national and international.

4. To authorize the Director to continue collaborating with Member Governments in order to obtain funds for the development of water supply programs.

5. To request the Director to continue his efforts with national and international financial institutions to accord high priority to requests for loans to carry out water supply programs.

6. To recommend to Member Governments the need to include rural water programs as a part of the over-all public health programs, integrating this activity into existing local organizations, with full participation of the community in all stages of each program.

7. To recommend to Member Governments that when distributing funds for water supply works in rural areas, they consider, as an important factor, the sanitary conditions of such areas.

8. To request the Organization to study and advise on the types of equipment best suited to the needs of the various countries, with particular reference to the long-range economic implications.

(Approved at the thirteenth plenary session, 24 August 1960)

RESOLUTION XXI

TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS

The Directing Council,

Having received the report of the Technical Discussions on the subject "Technical, Administrative, Legal, and Financial Aspects of Garbage and Refuse Disposal," presented by the Moderator, Dr. Gustavo Fricke (Chile), and prepared by the Rapporteur, Mr. Luis Radelat (Cuba); and

Recognizing the importance of efficient refuse disposal services to public health and the responsibility that public health officials have for the improvement of these services,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the report (Document CD12/DT/2).
2. To express its satisfaction with the manner in which the discussions were conducted, and to thank the Moderator, the Rapporteur, the consultants, and the members of the panel for their valuable contribution to the success of the discussions.
3. To recommend to Ministries of Health that they adopt measures for the promotion and strengthening of sound refuse disposal practice throughout their countries.

4. To urge the Governments to give more attention to the provision of adequately trained personnel for the management and operation of such services.

5. To instruct the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to provide technical advice on refuse disposal and give all assistance practicable, within budgetary limitations, to the requests of the Governments for collaborative programs in this field.

(Approved at the fourteenth plenary session, 24 August 1960)

RESOLUTION XXII

ADVERTISING OF MEDICINAL PRODUCTS

The Directing Council,

Having examined Document CD12/16 on the advertising of medicinal products, presented by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of Document CD12/16,
2. To instruct the Director of PASB to continue the study of the present situation with respect to the control of advertising of medicinal products, in accordance with Resolution XXX of the XI Meeting, and to report the results to the XIII Meeting of the Directing Council.
3. To reiterate its recommendation that the Governments of the Member Countries adopt measures to prohibit false or misleading advertising of medicinal products.

(Approved at the fifteenth plenary session, 24 August 1960)

RESOLUTION XXIII

ECONOMIC ASPECTS OF HEALTH ACTIVITIES

The Directing Council,

Taking into account the significance of the economic aspects of public health activities, recognized during the examination of the various topics of its XII Meeting;

Considering that a more active participation by the Governing Bodies of the Pan American Health Organization with other international organizations would facilitate the integrated development of the activities with which this Organization is charged; and

Having taken note of the legal provisions established in the Basic Documents of the Organization,

RESOLVES:

1. To commend the valuable efforts carried out by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to emphasize the economic aspects of public health activities.
2. To request the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, in accordance with the terms of Article 23 of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization, to consult with the appropriate officers of the Organization of American States and other organizations interested in or connected with public health, in order to study how the joint interests of these organizations in the economic field can be further developed.

3. To request the Director to report on this matter to the 43rd Meeting of the Executive Committee, so that the Committee, after considering the report, may transmit it with such observations and recommendations as it deems pertinent, to the XIII Meeting of the Directing Council to be held in 1961.

(Approved at the fifteenth plenary session, 24 August 1960)



RESOLUTION XXIV

EDUCATIONAL NEEDS FOR HEALTH PERSONNEL IN THE AMERICAS

The Directing Council,

Having considered the report of the Director on the needs for adequately trained health personnel in the Americas;

Noting the data on serious shortages of health workers throughout the Region;

Recognizing the necessity for greatly expanded programs of aid to educational facilities in all the health sciences;

Aware of the recommendations of the Director's Advisory Committee on Education; and

Cognizant of the fact that even with regular expansion of the Pan American Health Organization and the World Health Organization budget, sufficient funds are not likely to be available for the size of program necessary in the field of education,

RESOLVES:

1. To emphasize the importance of all efforts to expand the Organization's work in the field of education, particularly in the provision of long and short-term consultants to educational institutions and in the provision of long and short-term fellowships for existent and prospective faculty members.

2. To urge the Director to intensify his efforts to find extra-budgetary funds in order to expand the educational program to the degree needed.

3. To recommend that the Member Countries further intensify their efforts for the education and training of public health personnel.

4. To recommend that the Member Countries expand their special programs of in-service training for public health personnel.

(Approved at the fifteenth plenary session, 24 August 1960)

RESOLUTION XXV

SECONDMENT OF STAFF FROM MEMBER GOVERNMENTS

The Directing Council,

Taking into account the difficulties at present encountered in the contracting of personnel for international public health work, and specifically in the secondment of staff from the public health services of the various countries;

Having taken note of the legislative measures adopted by the Republic of Colombia for the solution of this problem; and

Considering it urgently necessary that those countries which have not yet done so adopt provisions toward the same ends,

RESOLVES:

To request the Member Governments to introduce into their legislation the provisions necessary for the protection of the rights that have been acquired in their respective national services by officers who may be seconded to international public health organizations.

(Approved at the fifteenth plenary session, 24 August 1960)

RESOLUTION XXVI

GENERAL PROGRAM OF WORK OF PAHO/WHO  
COVERING THE PERIOD 1962-1965

The Directing Council,

Having studied the Third General Program of Work of the World Health Organization, as presented in Official Records No. 102; and

Considering the importance of long-range planning on a sound basis which will take into account the needs of the countries of the Hemisphere as well as the state of advancement of the art and science of public health in all its branches,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the Third General Program of Work adopted by the World Health Organization.

2. To instruct the Director to prepare and submit to the XIII Meeting of the Directing Council a General Program of Work for the Pan American Health Organization for the period 1962-1965, taking into account the comments made by the various delegations during the discussion of this topic.

(Approved at the fifteenth plenary session, 24 August 1960)

RESOLUTION XXVII

TOPIC FOR THE TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS DURING  
THE XIII MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

The Directing Council,

Bearing in mind the provisions of Articles 1, 2, and 7 of the  
Rules for Technical Discussions,

RESOLVES:

To select the topic "Methods of Evaluation of the Contribution of  
Health Programs to Economic Development" for the Technical Discussions that  
will take place during the XIII Meeting of the Directing Council.

(Approved at the sixteenth plenary  
session, 26 August 1960)

VOTES OF THANKS

The Directing Council

Expresses its appreciation to His Excellency the President of the Republic of Cuba, Dr. Osvaldo Dorticós Torrado, and to the Government, particularly the Minister of Public Health, Dr. José R. Machado Ventura, for the generous hospitality accorded the members of the Directing Council and the staff of its XII Meeting and for the facilities provided to ensure the success of the meeting;

To the other Cuban authorities and to the public institutions and private organizations that extended so many courtesies to all the delegations;

To the members of the Cuban committee designated to cooperate with the Pan American Sanitary Bureau in organizing the XII Meeting, for its excellent collaboration in the preparatory arrangements and in the course of the meeting; and to the Committee of Women for the hospitality accorded to the wives of the Representatives;

To the Director and officers of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, and to the interpreters, translators, précis writers, and other staff of the Secretariat for their effective work, which made it possible for the Council to perform its activities successfully.

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

DONE in the city of Havana, Republic of Cuba, this twenty-sixth day of August 1960. The Secretary shall deposit the original texts in the archives of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and shall send copies thereof to the Member Governments.

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Chairman of the Directing Council  
Representative of the Republic of Cuba

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Director of the  
Pan American Sanitary Bureau  
Secretary ex officio of the  
Directing Council