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CD30/7 (Eng.) 13 July 1984 ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

REPORT ON THE PAHO AWARD FOR ADMINISTRATION, 1984

The Award Committee of the PAHO Award for Administration, 1984 met on 26 June during the 92nd Meeting of the Executive Committee. After reviewing the documentation submitted by six Member Governments, the Award Committee recommended that the 1984 Award be granted to Dr. Manuel Barquín. Dr. Barquín was nominated by the Government of Mexico for his outstanding contribution to health development in Mexico and the other countries of Latin America.

After hearing the presentation of the Report of the Award Committee (Document CD92/9, ADD. I) (Annex I), the Executive Committee took note of the recommendation and adopted Resolution VII (Annex II).

Proposed Resolution

THE XXX MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having reviewed the report of the Award Committee of the PAHO Award for Administration, 1984 and Resolution VIII of the 92nd Meeting of the Executive Committee (Document CD30/7 and Annexes); and

Bearing in mind the regulations set forth in the procedures and guidelines governing the PAHO Award for Administration,

. RESOLVES:

To declare Dr. Manuel Barquín, of Mexico, winner of the PAHO Award for Administration, 1984.

Annexes



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Agenda Item 7

CE92/9, ADD. I (Eng.) 26 June 1984 ORIGINAL: SPANISH

PAHO AWARD FOR ADMINISTRATION, 1984

Report of the Award Committee

The Award Committee of the PAHO Award for Administration, 1984, consisted of Dr. Fidel Endara (Ecuador), Mr. Juan Pardo García (Uruguay), and Dr. Harold P. Thompson (United States of America). Dr. Ramón Alvarez Gutiérrez (PASB) served as Secretary.

The Award Committee met on 24 June and, having heard a report on its terms of reference and on the work done by the Secretariat of PAHO in connection with the Award, noted that seven candidates had been nominated for it in 1984, as follows:

Dr. Rosa María Novygrodt de Campos, Costa Rica

Dr. Emilia María León Vargas de Coto, Costa Rica

Dr. Alberto Aguilar Rivas, El Salvador

Dr. Méjico Angeles Suárez, Dominican Republic

Dr. Christine Moody, Jamaica

Dr. Manuel Barquin, Mexico

Dr. Norma Andrews, Trinidad and Tobago

This is the fifth consecutive year since the PAHO Award for Administration was instituted in 1969 that five or more candidates have been nominated. The Award Committee took great satisfaction in this fact, which it regarded on the one hand as the fruit of effective work by the PAHO Secretariat to publicize and promote the Award, and on the other hand as reflecting the renewed interest of the Member Governments of PAHO in giving recognition to those who have contributed to improve the administration of their health systems and services.

The Award Committee examined the guidelines in effect for conferring the Award as set forth in the booklet PAHO Award for Administration, 1984, and adopted the following criteria for its evaluation of the candidates: a) priority of the specific problem area or discipline (low, intermediate, or high); b) originality of the contribution (an application of existing knowledge or an application of new procedures); c) scope of the accomplishment (local, national or international); d) duration of the effect (short, medium or long term); e) continuity and consistency of the work in the course of the candidate's professional career (occasional, intermittent or permanent); f) operating level (methods and procedures, program or policy); g) personal traits, particularly in regard to leadership, communication, drive and teamwork; and h) recognition of a long and fruitful career in administration.

The Award Committee examined the wealth of documentation presented and noted with satisfaction the brilliancy of the careers and extraordinary humaneness of all the candidates for the Award. It felt, however, that the countries should be urged, when nominating their candidates to PAHO, to stress the extent to which, in the Government's view, the work done by the candidate in the field of health administration has been effective and of major value.

Following a thorough study of the backgrounds of all the candidates, it was the consensus of the Committee to recommend that the PAHO Award for Administration, 1984, be conferred on Dr. Manual Barquín of Mexico, in recognition of his brilliant contribution to health development in Mexico and the other countries of Latin America.

Dr. Barquín's uninterrupted leadership in more than 30 years of professional efforts for the development of health services, in which time he held important high-level administrative posts, his ongoing and most productive academic work as a thesis and research director, and a voluminous corpus of published work in the fields of teaching and research, make him, in the view of this Committee, amply deserving of the Award for Administration, 1984, of the Pan American Health Organization.

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RESOLUTION VITT

PAHO AWARD FOR ADMINISTRATION, 1984

THE 92nd MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having examined the report of the Award Committee of the PAHO Award for Administration (Document CE92/9, ADD. I);

Bearing in mind the provisions of the Procedure and Guidelines for conferring the PAHO Award for Administration; and

Considering the importance of encouraging a higher level of competence in the administration of health services,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To note the decision of the Award Committee to confer the PAHO Award for Administration, 1984, on Dr. Manuel Barquín, of Mexico.
- 2. To transmit the report of the Award Committee of the PAHO Award for Administration (Document CE92/9, ADD. I) to the XXX Meeting of the Directing Council.

(Approved at the fifth plenary session, 27 June 1984)