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WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION



15th DIRECTING COUNCIL

16th SESSION OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE

Washington D.C., August 31 – 11 September 1964

RESOLUTION

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EPILEPSY IN THE AMERICAS

THE 15th DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having noted the section of the Annual Report of the Director (Official Document 56) relating to mental health;

Considering that this document reports the establishment, within the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, of a Mental Health Information Center on Latin America, which is providing a useful service in the collection, analysis, and distribution of information on mental health;

Bearing in mind that epilepsy constitutes a health problem of appreciable significance in many areas; and

Recognizing that in virtually every part of the Hemisphere there exist burdens of misunderstanding and legal and other types of discrimination that are contrary to an enlightened, human approach to programs for the management of this condition,

RESOLVES

To request the Director to study the incidence and distribution of epilepsy in the Americas, and the legal and other types of discrimination to which sufferers from this condition are subject and which impede programs directed toward the solution of the problem of epilepsy.

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