

*executive committee of
the directing council*

*working party of
the regional committee*

PAN AMERICAN
SANTARY
ORGANIZATION

WORLD
HEALTH
ORGANIZATION



20th Meeting
Washington, D. C.
5-7 October 1953

CE20/4 (Eng.)
17 August 1953
ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

Topic 6: PLAN OF LONG-RANGE PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS

At its 16th Meeting, the Executive Committee studied Document CE16/19, submitted by the Director on this subject in compliance with Resolution VI, adopted by the Directing Council at its Fifth Meeting.

At the same Meeting, the Executive Committee adopted Resolution V, which states:

"WHEREAS:

"The Director has submitted material, in accordance with Resolution VI of the V Meeting of the Directing Council, on a long-range program for the Pan American Sanitary Bureau,

"THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

"RESOLVES:

"1. To approve the development of a long-range program, based on continuous survey and evaluation of the needs and resources of the Member Countries, designed to:

- "a) Strengthen the fundamental services for the promotion and preservation of the health of the people of each country.
- "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, that constitute a potential threat to the Hemisphere and for which there are suitable means of eradication.

"2. To recommend to the Directing Council that:

"a) This type of continuous long-range planning be approved.

"b) It instruct the Director to prepare the future budgets in harmony with this program."

The Directing Council, at its VI Meeting, examined Document CD6/16 and adopted Resolution XVIII, which reads as follows:

"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

"RESOLVES:

"1. To postpone decision on this important matter in order to make possible a fuller exchange of information and opinions among the Member States, and between them and the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

"2. To request the Director to continue the studies on this topic and submit the documents he compiles to the Executive Committee for consideration and to the VII Meeting of the Directing Council for final decision."

In compliance with item 2 of Resolution XVIII above, the Director reports that no additional information or opinions have been received from the Member States regarding this subject, and that further studies on this topic have failed to bring forth additional points to be considered.

In view of the above, the Director submits the subject for final decision of the Directing Council.

The Executive Committee may wish to recommend that the Directing Council adopt a resolution along the following lines:

Proposed Resolution

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 a 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

RESOLVES:

1. 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 people of each country.
- 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 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. To instruct the Director to prepare the future budgets in harmony with this program.