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The 29th Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Directing Council of the Pan American Sanitary Organization was held in the city of Antigua Guatemala, at the original site of the University of San Carlos Borromeo, from 11 to 13 September 1956, as convoked by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau. The following members of the Committee, observers, and officers of the Bureau were present:

Members Present:

Dr. Luis Siri
Dr. Gabriel Arze Quiroga
Dr. Jorge Jiménez Gandica
Dr. Félix Hurtado
Dr. Manuel A. Sánchez Vigil
Dr. Frederick J. Brady
Mr. Howard B. Calderwood
Dr. Charles L. Williams, Jr.

Absent Member:

Mr. Howard B. Calderwood

Member ex officio:

Dr. Fred L. Soper

Secretary:

Dr. Carlos L. González
Observers:

Dr. José Enrique Aybar  
Dr. Gilberto Morillo de Soto  
Dr. Raymond G. Hyronimus  
Mr. Humberto Olivero  
Dr. Alphonsus I. Faverey  
Dr. Nicolaas Hendrik Swellengrebel  
Sir Joseph Welsh Park Harkness  
Dr. Charles Courtney Wedderburn  
Dr. Frank Richard Kellett

Advisers to the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau:

Dr. Stanford F. Farnsworth  
Mr. Donald F. Simpson

Chief, Conference Services:

Mr. Guillermo A. Suro

Public Information Officer:

Mr. Harold Ballou
ELECTION OF OFFICERS

At the first plenary session, held on 11 September 1956 under the temporary chairmanship of Dr. Jorge Jiménez Gandica (Colombia), Chairman of the 28th Meeting of the Executive Committee, the election of officers took place in conformity with Article 3 of the Rules of Procedure. Dr. Jorge Jiménez Gandica (Colombia) and Dr. Manuel A. Sánchez Vigil (Nicaragua) were unanimously re-elected Chairman and Vice-Chairman, respectively.

In view of the vacancy in the post of Secretary General of the Bureau, whose incumbent acts as Secretary of the Executive Committee, it was agreed at the first session that during the present meeting the duties of Secretary of the Executive Committee would be performed by the Assistant Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, Dr. Carlos Luis González. This decision was reaffirmed at the fourth session, with the adoption of Resolution X.

AGENDA

The following agenda was approved:

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It was agreed to add to the agenda the topic "Modification of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Committee."

At the third session, it was decided that the study of Topic 9, "Amendments to the Staff Rules," would be postponed until a future meeting of the Executive Committee.

DRAFTING COMMITTEE

Pursuant to Article 17 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Committee, the Drafting Committee was composed of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman, and the Secretary. The Committee was entrusted with the preparation of the Final Report.
RESOLUTIONS APPROVED

The Executive Committee held four plenary sessions and, as the result of its deliberations, approved the following resolutions:
RESOLUTION I

MODIFICATION OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE
OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee

RESOLVES:

To modify Article 3 of the Rules of Procedure, the present text of which will be replaced by the following:

Article 3. The Executive Committee shall elect from among its members a Chairman and a Vice-Chairman, who shall hold office until their successors are elected. The election shall take place each year at the first meeting of the Executive Committee following the election of its new members by the Directing Council.

(Approved at the first plenary session, 11 September 1956)
REPLY TO THE ADDRESS OF HIS EXCELLENCY THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF GUATEMALA

The Executive Committee,

Bearing in mind that Resolution XXXI of the XIV Pan American Sanitary Conference authorized the Executive Committee to take such measures as are necessary in relation to the preparation of meetings of the Directing Council and the Conference, in situations not specifically provided for in the Constitution of the Pan American Sanitary Organization or in their respective rules of procedure, in order to facilitate the conduct and expedite the work of the meetings,

RESOLVES:

To designate the Representative of Colombia, Dr. Gabriel Velázquez Palau, Minister of Public Health of that country, to reply, on behalf of the representatives to the IX Meeting of the Directing Council, VIII Meeting of the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization, to the address that will be delivered at the inaugural session by His Excellency the President of the Republic of Guatemala, Colonel Carlos Castillo Armas.

(Approved at the first plenary session, 11 September 1956)
RESOLUTION III

PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION
FOR THE REGION OF THE AMERICAS FOR 1958

The Executive Committee,

Having examined the Proposed Program and Budget of the World Health Organization for the Region of the Americas for the year 1958 (Official Documents No. 17); and

Bearing in mind that the Executive Committee, in reviewing the Proposed Program and Budget of the World Health Organization for the Region of the Americas, is acting in the capacity of a working party for the Regional Committee,

RESOLVES:


2. To propose to the IX Meeting of the Directing Council, VIII Meeting of the WHO Regional Committee for the Americas, that it consider, if it deems it appropriate, the following:
Draft Resolution

The Directing Council,

Having examined Official Documents No. 17, 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 the year 1958; and

Bearing in mind that the Proposed Program and Budget of the Region of the Americas is submitted to the Directing Council, as Regional Committee of the World Health Organization, for review and transmittal to the Director-General of the World Health Organization for consideration in drafting the WHO budget for 1958,

RESolves:

To approve the transmittal of the Proposed Program and Budget of the World Health Organization for the Region of the Americas for 1958, and to request the Regional Director to transmit it to the Director-General of the World Health Organization, so that he may take it into consideration when preparing the WHO budget for 1958.

(Approved at the second plenary session, 11 September 1956)
RESOLUTION IV

PROVISIONAL DRAFT OF THE PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY ORGANIZATION FOR 1958

The Executive Committee,

Having examined the provisional draft of the Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Organization for the year 1958 (Official Documents No. 17); and

Taking into account the fact that the provisional draft, when approved, will serve as the basis for the preparation of the 1958 Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Organization to be submitted to the 31st Meeting of the Executive Committee, and to the X Meeting of the Directing Council in 1957 for final approval,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve, as a provisional draft, the Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Organization for 1958 (Official Documents No. 17).
2. To propose to the IX Meeting of the Directing Council that it consider, if it deems it appropriate, the following:

Draft Resolution

The Directing Council,

Having seen Official Documents No. 17, submitted by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and containing the provisional draft of the Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Organization for the year 1958; and

Taking into account the fact that the provisional draft, when approved, will serve as the basis for the preparation of the 1958 Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Organization to be submitted to the 31st Meeting of the Executive Committee, and to the X Meeting of the Directing Council in 1957 for final approval,

RESOLVES:

To take note of the provisional draft of the Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Organization for 1958.

(Approved at the second plenary session, 11 September 1956)
RESOLUTION V

REGIONAL PROGRAMS TO BE FINANCED WITH FUNDS OF THE UNITED NATIONS EXPANDED PROGRAM OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The Executive Committee

RESOLVES:

1. To express its support of the regional projects under the United Nations Expanded Program of Technical Assistance, as set forth in Official Documents No. 17.

2. To recommend to the Directing Council the approval of a resolution along the following lines:

Draft Resolution

The Directing Council,

Having studied the Proposed Program and Budget of the World Health Organization for the Region of the Americas for 1958 (Official Documents No. 17); and

Having noted that the proposed program includes certain activities to be financed by the United Nations Expanded Program of Technical Assistance,
RESOLVES:

To endorse the regional projects to be financed in 1957 and/or 1958 by the United Nations Expanded Program of Technical Assistance, as shown in Official Documents No. 17 of the Pan American Sanitary Organization, for submittal to the Technical Assistance Board.

(Approved at the second plenary session, 11 September 1956)
RESOLUTION VI

DRAFT AGENDA OF THE IX MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,
VIII MEETING OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE WORLD HEALTH
ORGANIZATION

The Executive Committee,

Having examined the draft agenda of the IX Meeting of the
Directing Council, VIII Meeting of the Regional Committee of the World
Health Organization, as approved by the Executive Committee at its 28th
Meeting and revised pursuant to Resolution XII of that meeting; and

Pursuant to Article 12-B of the Constitution of the Pan American
Sanitary Organization,

RESOLVES:

To approve the draft agenda of the IX Meeting of the Directing
Council, VIII Meeting of the Regional Committee of the World Health
Organization (Document CD9/1, Rev. 2), and to transmit it to the
Directing Council for consideration.

(Approved at the second plenary
session, 11 September 1956)
RESOLUTION VII

CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT OF REGULAR AND PROJECT PERSONNEL

The Executive Committee,

Having examined Document CE29/5 on the conditions of employment of regular and project personnel, in which a number of very different situations are considered,

RESOLVES:

To forward the complete document on the subject, with the annex and reference material, to the IX Meeting of the Directing Council, for inclusion in the working documents of that meeting.

(Approved at the third plenary session, 12 September 1956)
RESOLUTION VIII

STUDY WITH RESPECT TO THE PERSONNEL OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

The Executive Committee

RESOLVES:

That the Director make a comprehensive study of the conditions of employment, working conditions, compensation, etc., of the personnel of the Bureau, apart from the conditions existing in other international organizations, to be presented to the 31st Meeting of the Executive Committee.

(Approved at the third plenary session, 12 September 1956)
RESOLUTION IX

SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY ORGANIZATION AND THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

The Executive Committee

RESOLVES:

To appoint a special committee composed of Dr. Frederick J. Brady, Dr. Félix Hurtado, Dr. Jorge Jiménez Gandica, and Dr. Luis Siri, which, together with the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, will study the present state of the relations between the Pan American Sanitary Organization and the World Health Organization and submit a report to the 31st Meeting of the Executive Committee.

(Approved at the third plenary session, 12 September 1956)
RESOLUTION X

ASSIGNMENT OF THE DUTIES OF SECRETARY GENERAL

The Executive Committee

RESOLVES:

To approve the action taken by the Director of the Bureau in provisionally entrusting the duties of the Secretary General of the Bureau to the Assistant Director, Dr. Carlos Luis González.

(Approved at the fourth plenary session, 13 September 1956)
RESOLUTION XI

TRIBUTE TO THE MEMORY OF DOCTOR ROBERTO BERRO

The Executive Committee

RESOLVES:

To pay tribute to the memory of Doctor Roberto Berro, recently deceased in the city of Montevideo, who for many years rendered such valuable service as Director General of the American International Institute for the Protection of Childhood.

(Approved at the fourth plenary session, 13 September 1956)
RESOLUTION XII

VOTES OF THANKS

The Executive Committee

RESOLVES:

To express its appreciation:

1. To the Government of Guatemala for its courtesy in making available for the deliberation of the Committee the facilities of the original building of the University of San Carlos Borromeo in Antigua Guatemala;

2. To the Minister of Public Health and Welfare and other health authorities of Guatemala;

3. To the staff of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau; and

4. To all the personnel of the secretariat, particularly the staff of the précis writing, documents, translating, and interpreting services, for their efficient work, which has contributed to the success of this meeting.

(Approved at the fourth plenary session, 13 September 1956)
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Members of the Committee and the Secretary sign the present Final Report, in the English and Spanish languages, both texts being equally authentic.

DONE at the city of Antigua Guatemala, Republic of Guatemala, this thirteenth day of September 1956. The Secretary shall deposit the original texts in the archives of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and shall transmit copies thereof to the Member Governments.

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Representative of Argentina

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Representative of Bolivia

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Representative of Cuba

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Representative of Nicaragua

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Representative of the United States of America

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Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau

Assistant Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, Secretary of the Executive Committee