REQUEST OF THE GOVERNMENT OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO FOR MEMBERSHIP IN PAHO

On 21 December 1962 the Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago applied to the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, on behalf of his Government, for membership in the Pan American Health Organization (Annex I).

The Director subsequently informed the Governments of the Organization, the Secretary-General of the Organization of American States, and the Director-General of the World Health Organization of the application he had received, and stated that the application would be submitted to the XIV Meeting of the Directing Council for appropriate action (Annex II).

Up to the time of the preparation of this document, replies have been received from the following Governments: Brazil, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, and Peru (Annexes III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XI, XII and XIII).

It should be pointed out that on 3 January 1963 the Government of Trinidad and Tobago deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, an instrument of acceptance of the Constitution of the World Health Organization, as a result of which it became a full member of that Organization.

In accordance with Resolution IV of the XVI Pan American Sanitary Conference it is incumbent on the Directing Council "to deal with questions of admission of States to membership in the Organization during the interval between meetings of the Conference..." Consequently, an item on the application of Trinidad and Tobago has been included in the Provisional Agenda of the XIV Meeting of the Directing Council, which also includes, pursuant to the above-mentioned resolution of the Conference, an item dealing with the procedures governing the admission of States to membership in the Pan American Health Organization (Item 18 and Item 11).

The Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau has the honor to submit this report to the Executive Committee in case it wishes to make any observations pursuant to the advisory functions attributed to it in Article 14, paragraph D, of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization.
Ref: EA/POL: 3/2/2.

Ministry of External Affairs,
St. Ann's,
Trinidad.

21 December, 1962.

Sir,

I have the honour to apply, on behalf of the Government of Trinidad and Tobago, for membership in the Pan American Health Organization in accordance with Article 2A of the Constitution of the Organization.

Trinidad and Tobago became an independent and sovereign state on 31st August, 1962. Before this date, Trinidad and Tobago was an associate member of the World Health Organization, to which the Pan American Health Organization is affiliated. This country now wishes to become a full member in its own right.

The Government of Trinidad and Tobago is willing to fulfil the financial and other obligations imposed on members in accordance with the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization, to comply with the provisions of the Pan American Sanitary Code as amended by the additional Protocol of 1952, and to co-operate fully with the other Member States in the work of the Organization.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

[Signature]

Prime Minister,
Trinidad and Tobago.

The Director,
Pan American Health Organization,
1501, New Hampshire Avenue, N.W.,
Washington, D.C.,
United States of America.
Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that I have received from His Excellency, the Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago, the letter of which a copy is enclosed, requesting the admission of Trinidad and Tobago as member of the Pan American Health Organization, and that I am apprising the Governments of the Organization of the receipt of that communication.

The request of the Government of Trinidad and Tobago will in due course be submitted to the consideration of the XIV Meeting of the Directing Council, XV Meeting of the Regional Committee of WHO for the Americas.

Sincerely yours,

Abraham Horwitz
Director

Enclosure
Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. CT-CL-2-63, transmitting a copy of the letter in which the Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago applied for the admission of his country to membership in the Pan American Health Organization.

Anticipating that there will, of course, be a unanimous vote at the XV Meeting of the WHO Regional Committee for the Americas I should like to express the satisfaction with which Brazil welcomes that request, which is another link in the communion of the American States, in their struggle for better health for the peoples of the Continent.

I am, Sir,
Yours truly,

(signed)
Paulo Pinheiro Chagas

Dr. Abraham Horwitz
Director of the Pan American Health Organization
1501 New Hampshire Avenue, N. W.
Washington 6, D. C.
U. S. A.
Dr. Abraham Horwitz  
Director  
Pan American Sanitary Bureau  
1501 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W.  
Washington 6, D.C. 

Sir:  

I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of your letter  
Nº CT-CL-2-63 of 21 January, transmitting a copy of the letter  
of the Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago in which he requests  
the admission of Trinidad and Tobago to membership in the  
Pan American Health Organization.  

I am, Sir,  
Yours truly,  

(signed)  
Dr. Max Terán Valls  
Minister  

San José, 28 January 1963
Sir:

I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of your letter No CT-CL-2-63 of 21 January 1963, concerning the application of Trinidad and Tobago for admission to membership in the Pan American Health Organization, the details of which have been duly informed to this Office.

I am, Sir,
Yours truly,

(signed)
Dr. Rafael Batlle Viñas
Secretary of State for Health and Social Welfare

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ANNEX V
Sir:

I am pleased to acknowledge your letter of 21 January under cover of which you were good enough to transmit the letter sent to the Organization by the Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago requesting the admission of his country to membership in the Pan American Health Organization.

I am, Sir,
Yours truly,

(signed)
Ernesto del Cid
Principal Officer, Ministry of Public Health and Social Welfare

Director
Pan American Health Organization
1501 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W.
Washington 6, D.C.
U.S.A.

CE48/3 (Eng.)
ANNEX VI
Dear Dr. Horwitz:

I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of your letter No CT-CL-2-63 of 21 January, under cover of which you sent a copy of letter No EA/POL:3/2/2 of 21 December 1962 which Mr. Eric Williams, Prince Minister of Trinidad and Tobago, has sent you requesting the admission of his country to membership in the Pan American Health Organization, in accordance with Article 21 of the Constitution of that Organization.

My Department has taken note of that communication and will inform you in due course of the decision of the Government of Haiti.

I am, Sir,
Yours truly,

(signed)
Gérard Philippeaux
Secretary of State
Ref. No. 88

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. CT-CL-2-63 and of a copy of the letter of the Government of Trinidad and Tobago requesting admission to membership of the Pan American Health Organization.

I am, Sir,

Yours truly,

(signed)

Dr. R. Martínez V.
Ministry of Public Health and Social Welfare
PRIME MINISTER’S OFFICE,
P.O. BOX 512,
KINGSTON,
JAMAICA, W.I.

14th March, 1963.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge and thank you for your letter CT-CL-2-63 of the 21st January, 1963, informing me of the request by the Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago that Trinidad and Tobago be admitted as a member of the Pan American Health Organization, and to say that this Government fully supports the application.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,

[Signature]

Prime Minister
and Minister of External Affairs.

Abraham Horwitz, Esq.,
Director,
Pan American Health Organization,
1501 New Hampshire Avenue, N.W.,
Washington 6, D.C.,
U.S.A.
TRANSLATION

Office of the Secretary for Health and Welfare

Office of the Under-Secretary for Health - International Affairs

SUBJECT: Admission of Trinidad and Tobago to membership in the Pan American Health Organization

Mexico, 4 February 1963

Sir:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter No. CT-CL-2-63 of 21 January in which you inform me that you have received an application from the Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago requesting the admission of his country to membership in the Pan American Health Organization, which request will be submitted to the XIV Meeting of the Directing Council, XV Meeting of the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization for the Americas, for its consideration and appropriate action

I am, Sir,

Yours truly,

(signed)

Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante

Dr. Abraham Horwitz
Director
Pan American Sanitary Bureau
1501 New Hampshire Ave., N. W.
Washington 6, D. C.
U. S. A.

CE48/3 (Eng.)
ANNEX X
Ministry of Public Health
Managua

26 January 1963

Dear Dr. Horwitz:

I am pleased to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. CT-CL-2-63 of 21 January, in which you inform me that you have received a letter from the Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago requesting the admission of his country to membership in the Pan American Health Organization.

I am, Sir,
Yours truly,

(signed)
Dr. Francisco Urcuyo Maliaño
Minister of Public Health

Dr. Abraham Horwitz
Director
Pan American Sanitary Bureau
1501 New Hampshire Avenue, N. W.
Washington 6, D. C.
TRANSLATION

REPUBLIC OF PANAMA

No. 155-M
Ministry of Labor, Social Welfare
and Public Health

Panama, 31 January 1963

Dr. Abraham Horwitz
Director
Pan American Health Organization
Washington 6, D. C.

Dear Dr. Horwitz,

I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of your letter CT-CL-2-63 in which you inform me that the Prime Minister of Trinidad and Tobago has applied for admission on behalf of his Government to membership in the Pan American Health Organization. Since Trinidad and Tobago have submitted an application for membership to the Organization of American States, it is the opinion of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs that it would be appropriate to await the decision of the Council of that Organization before considering the admission of Trinidad and Tobago to membership in the Pan American Health Organization.

I am, Sir,

Yours truly,

(signed)

Dr. Bernardino Gonzalez Ruiz
Minister of Labor, Social Welfare, and Public Health
Lima, 15 February 1963

Ref. No. 196-63-DGS

Dr. Abraham Horwitz
Director
Pan American Health Organization
1501 New Hampshire Ave., N. W.
Washington 6, D. C., U. S. A.

Sir:

I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. CT-CL-2-63, the original of which has been sent to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, concerning the admission of Trinidad and Tobago to membership in the Pan American Health Organization.

In reply I should like to thank you for your letter, which has been brought to the attention of the pertinent technical branches.

I am, Sir,
Yours truly,

(signed)
Victor Solano Castro
General, Army Medical Corps
Minister of Public Health and Social Welfare