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RESOLUTIONS OF THE WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY OF INTEREST TO THE EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE

The Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau wishes to submit to the attention of the Executive Committee the following resolutions approved by the Twenty-eighth World Health Assembly:

- WHA28.5 Election of Members Entitled to Designate a Person to Serve on the Executive Board (Canada)
- WHA28.8 Supplementary Budget for 1975
- WHA28.22 Amendment of Articles 24 and 25 of the Constitution - Increase in Membership of the Executive Board
- WHA28.40 Coordination with the United Nations System. General Matters. Tasks of WHO in Connexion with International Women's Year
- WHA28.42 Coordination with the United Nations System. General Matters. United Nations World Food Conference
- WHA28.44 Coordination with the United Nations System: World Population Year and Conference, 1974
- WHA28.51 WHO Activities in Regard to the Development of Methods of Controlling the Tropical Parasitic Diseases
- WHA28.58 Control of Sexually Transmitted Diseases
- WHA28.60 Effective Working Budget and Budget Level for 1976
- WHA28.61 Election of Six Members Entitled to Designate a Person to Serve on the Executive Board (Guyana)
- WHA28.72 Utilization and Supply of Human Blood and Blood Products
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of Biological Products and the Establishment
of Breeding Colonies
- WHA28.87 Development of the Antimalaria Programme
- WHA28.88 Promotion of National Health Services Relating
to Primary Health Care

Annexes

21 May 1975

ELECTION OF MEMBERS ENTITLED TO DESIGNATE A PERSON
TO SERVE ON THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Twenty-eighth World Health Assembly,

Having considered the nominations of the General Committee,¹

ELECTS the following as Members entitled to designate a person to serve on the Executive Board: Australia, Bangladesh, Canada, Finland, Mauritania, Rwanda, Somalia and Yugoslavia.

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¹ Document A28/51.

22 May 1975

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET FOR 1975

The Twenty-eighth World Health Assembly,

Having considered the proposals of the Director-General and the recommendations of the Executive Board concerning the supplementary estimates for 1975 to meet unforeseen additional costs relating to increases in the salaries and allowances for professional and higher categories of staff, approved by the General Assembly of the United Nations with effect from 1 January 1975; and

Considering that it is desirable to avoid the need for additional contributions by Members for the 1975 budget to finance these supplementary estimates,

1. APPROVES the supplementary estimates for 1975; and
2. DECIDES to amend the Appropriation Resolution for the financial year 1975 (WHA27.56) by
 - (1) increasing the relevant appropriation sections by the following amounts:

Appropriation Section	Purpose of Appropriation	Amount US \$
2	General management and coordination	129 190
3	Strengthening of health services	1 073 765
4	Health manpower development	579 400
5	Disease prevention and control	1 077 555
6	Promotion of environmental health	245 720
7	Health information and literature	372 970
8	General service and support programme	191 920
9	Support to regional programmes	399 480
	Total	4 070 000 =====

- (2) amending paragraph D of that resolution by increasing the amount appropriated under sub-paragraph (ii) by US\$ 4 070 000.

28 May 1975

AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES 24 AND 25 OF THE CONSTITUTION -
INCREASE IN THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Twenty-eighth World Health Assembly,

Considering the entry into force of the amendments to Articles 24 and 25 of the Constitution, increasing the membership of the Executive Board from 24 to 30;

Considering that the equitable geographical distribution of seats on the Executive Board would be facilitated by a further increase in its membership,

REQUESTS the Director-General to propose for the consideration of the Twenty-ninth World Health Assembly draft amendments to the Constitution in order to permit a further marginal increase, so that each region could designate at least one new member to the Executive Board each year, and to transmit such draft amendments to Members at least six months in advance of their consideration in accordance with the provision of Article 73 of the Constitution.

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COORDINATION WITH THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM
GENERAL MATTERS

Tasks of WHO in connexion with
International Women's Year

The Twenty-eighth World Health Assembly,

Considering that the present year has been proclaimed International Women's Year by the Twenty-seventh Session of the United Nations General Assembly and is being observed as such under the slogan "Attainment of equal rights for women and full integration of women into political, economic, social and cultural life so that they can make an active contribution to the further development of friendship between the peoples of all countries and to the strengthening of peace";

Noting that the goals established by International Women's Year, including the granting to women of equal rights, opportunities and responsibilities with men, are closely bound up with the protection and improvement of women's health and with the development of social and medical services and maternal and child care;

Recalling resolutions WHA1.43 and EB55.R56 and other WHO decisions aimed at the active implementation of projects concerning medical care for women and children and also the participation of WHO in International Women's Year;

Emphasizing the supreme importance of protecting the health of women and children, who embody the future of every country and of all mankind, as is noted in resolution WHA23.61;

Emphasizing the ever more important role of women in medicine, in the work of the public health bodies and institutions of the Member States of WHO,

1. COMMENDS the Director-General and the Secretariat for the preparation and distribution of the January 1975 issue of World Health;
2. URGES governments:
 - (a) to widen the range of opportunities for women in all facets of social and economic life as they relate to health and including training opportunities so that women may have the potential to participate fully as partners for progress;
 - (b) to assure the further integration of women in health activities, by undertaking short-term and long-term measures, based on national reviews of the major obstacles and constraints in the employment and participation of women;
 - (c) to nominate women at an increasing rate for WHO fellowships for training abroad so that fellowships are shared more equally;
3. REQUESTS the Director-General:
 - (a) to arrange for active participation by WHO representatives in the International Conference and the main activities conducted by the United Nations under the programme for International Women's Year;

(b) to draw up recommendations for consequent action by WHO and its Member States in the interests of the development of medical and social programmes and adequate maternal and child health, population and other services;

(c) to consider women on an equal basis with men for positions in WHO at headquarters and in the regions, and to make a concerted effort to increase the number of women in professional positions and especially in positions of policy determination;

(d) to assist Member States, upon request, in preparing national strategies, programmes and projects in WHO's field of competence for the participation of women in the economic, social and cultural life of their countries directed toward the achievement of maximum human potential;

4. RECOMMENDS that in WHO's current activities and in the establishment of the Organization's sixth general programme of work particular attention be paid to the problem of protecting the health of mothers and children and of working women;

5. REQUESTS the Director-General to report to the fifty-seventh session of the Executive Board and Twenty-ninth World Health Assembly, the results of WHO's participation in International Women's Year and its planned activities as well as progress in implementing this resolution as well as the decisions of the Conference and their implications for WHO.

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COORDINATION WITH THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM
GENERAL MATTERS

United Nations World Food Conference

The Twenty-eighth World Health Assembly,

Having reviewed the report by the Director-General on the participation of the Organization in the World Food Conference and in the follow-up of its recommendation;

Noting the action taken by the Executive Board at its fifty-fifth session;¹

Recognizing the magnitude and severity of malnutrition as a major public health problem in the world; and

Considering the important role the health sector can play in a variety of activities related to food and nutrition;

1. NOTES with satisfaction the action taken by the Director-General;
2. ENDORSES the views of the Executive Board as contained in resolution EB55.R69;
3. RECOMMENDS that Member States:
 - (a) strengthen their programmes for the control of prevailing nutritional deficiencies,
 - (b) develop coordinated multisectoral policies and plans designed to improve the food and nutrition situation and strategies for their implementation as an important immediate objective of socioeconomic development programmes;
4. REQUESTS the Director-General:
 - (a) to accord high priority to assistance to countries in programmes for the surveillance and early control of different forms of malnutrition and to develop suitable manpower resources within and outside the health sector;
 - (b) to continue to cooperate with other Organizations to ensure the implementation of the recommendations of the World Food Conference;
 - (c) to seek the necessary additional funds to ensure the inclusion of health and nutrition components in activities appropriate to the fulfilment of the recommendations of the World Food Conference, relating to services with manpower development and problem-solving research as supportive measures.

¹ Resolution EB55.R69.

28 May 1975

COORDINATION WITH THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM:
WORLD POPULATION YEAR AND CONFERENCE, 1974

The Twenty-eighth World Health Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Director-General on the World Population Year and Conference, 1974,

1. NOTES with satisfaction the various technical and scientific contributions made by the Organization towards the preparatory and supportive activities of the Population Year and Conference;
2. WELCOMES the emphasis given in the World Population Plan of Action to the interrelationships of population and socioeconomic development, and in turn to the required national and international efforts in health and nutrition for enhanced quality of life, particularly in the rural and the underserved areas;
3. APPRECIATES that such a comprehensive approach to population, health and development in the context of national policies is basic to the work of many of the organizations in the United Nations system;
4. STRESSES the urgency of reducing maternal, perinatal, infant and childhood mortality and morbidity through the continued development and improved management of maternal and child health services and other aspects of family health care;
5. RECOGNIZES the need to improve health through support to research on all aspects of human reproduction, including methods of fertility regulation and the impact of family planning on health and on optimal physical and psychosocial development of the child;
6. URGES Member States to take the initiative in organizing national follow-up activities in the health-related aspects recommended in the World Population Plan of Action;
7. REQUESTS the Director-General to intensify activities related to family health care as part of the strengthening of health services and to participate fully in the development of activities in the sectors of the World Population Plan of Action related to health.

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WHO ACTIVITIES IN REGARD TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF
METHODS OF CONTROLLING THE TROPICAL PARASITIC
DISEASES

The Twenty-eighth World Health Assembly,

Drawing the attention of Member States once more to one of the most urgent public health problems in the developing countries today - the tropical parasitic diseases, and particularly onchocerciasis, filariasis, schistosomiasis and trypanosomiasis, which cause great damage to the people's health and retard social and economic progress in most of the developing countries;

Noting the steps taken by the Organization in accordance with resolution WHA27.52 to intensify research programmes on tropical parasitic diseases, as described in the Director-General's report on the work of WHO in 1974;

Considering it necessary to give priority attention to the development of recommendations and methods for these programmes for the control of the most important tropical parasitic diseases and primarily the programmes for the control of onchocerciasis, schistosomiasis, etc., which are being already carried out or are at the active planning stage, using to this end all the experience accumulated by the Member States;

Welcoming the WHO biomedical research effort in this field,

1. URGES Member States, research and practical establishments and medical scientists working on aspects of tropical pathology to intensify their efforts to develop effective, safe and practicable means of controlling tropical parasitic diseases; and
2. REQUESTS the Director-General to undertake the measures needed to improve the system of coordinating the various programmes for the control of the tropical parasitic diseases and also the methods of carrying out these programmes and to pay special attention to these aspects in the report he is to make to the Twenty-ninth World Health Assembly under the terms of resolution WHA27.52.

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CONTROL OF SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES

The Twenty-eighth World Health Assembly,

Noting that sexually transmitted diseases, in particular syphilis and gonorrhoea, are still far from being controlled and that the severe complications they cause, if not adequately treated, have serious individual, community, social and economic consequences;

Noting that a better approach to this public health problem requires coordinated and multidisciplinary action, medical as well as informative, educative and social;

1. INVITES Member States to collect, disseminate and communicate to WHO epidemiological, statistical and operational information for the control of the sexually transmitted diseases;
2. REQUESTS governments to consider the need:
 - (a) to make optimal use of existing services and health structures to strengthen the control of sexually transmitted diseases;
 - (b) to encourage the appropriate training in this field of medical personnel and other health workers at all levels and the further training of existing personnel;
 - (c) to promote information and health education to all concerned in order to develop the sense of responsibility and respect for the integrity of all human beings;
3. REQUESTS the Director-General:
 - (a) to provide Member States with the advice and assistance necessary for a fuller appreciation of the public health aspects of sexually transmitted diseases;
 - (b) to encourage the holding of international, regional or national seminars, with WHO participation, for the exchange of information and further education of personnel and researchers;
 - (c) to establish and keep up to date guidelines for the organization of control activities, including technical specifications;
 - (d) to try to obtain from various sources within the United Nations system, as well as from nongovernmental and private organizations, budgetary resources with a view:
 - (i) to providing assistance to governments in planning and conducting studies and research on sexually transmitted diseases, their epidemiology, clinical study, diagnosis, treatment and prevention and on methods for their control;
 - (ii) to provide assistance, if requested, to governments already conducting control programmes; and
 - (e) to report on this subject to the World Health Assembly.

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EFFECTIVE WORKING BUDGET AND BUDGET LEVEL FOR 1976

The Twenty-eighth World Health Assembly

DECIDES that:

- (1) the effective working budget for 1976 shall be US\$ 137 100 000;
- (2) the budget level shall be established in an amount equal to the effective working budget as provided in paragraph (1) above, plus staff assessment and the assessments represented by the Undistributed Reserve; and
- (3) the budget for 1976 shall be financed by assessments on Members after deduction of the following:
 - (i) reimbursement of programme support costs by the United Nations Development Programme in the estimated amount of US\$ 2 300 000;
 - (ii) the amount of US\$ 1 500 000 available as casual income for 1976.

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ELECTION OF SIX MEMBERS ENTITLED TO DESIGNATE A PERSON TO
SERVE ON THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Twenty-eighth World Health Assembly,

Having considered the nominations of the General Committee,¹

ELECTS the following as the further six Members entitled to designate a person to serve on the Executive Board: Guyana, Japan, Sudan, Swaziland, Togo and United Republic of Tanzania; the term of office of Guyana and of Japan to be for a period of one year, that of Sudan and of Togo for a period of two years and that of Swaziland and of the United Republic of Tanzania for a period of three years, in accordance with the provisions of Article 25 of the Constitution, as amended.

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¹ Document A28/62.

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UTILIZATION AND SUPPLY OF HUMAN BLOOD AND BLOOD PRODUCTS

The Twenty-eighth World Health Assembly,

Conscious of the increasing use of blood and blood products;

Having considered the information provided by the Director-General on Utilization and Supply of Human Blood and Blood Products;

Bearing in mind resolution XVIII of the XXII International Conference of the Red Cross,

Noting the extensive and increasing activities of private firms in trying to establish commercial blood collection and plasmapheresis projects in developing countries;

Expressing serious concern that such activities may interfere with efforts to establish efficient national blood transfusion services based on voluntary non-remunerated donations,

Being aware of the higher risk of transmitting diseases when blood products have been obtained from paid rather than from voluntary donors, and of the harmful consequences to the health of donors of too frequent blood donations (one of the causes being remuneration),

1. THANKS the Director-General for the actions taken to study the problems related to commercial plasmapheresis in developing countries;

2. URGES Member States

- (a) to promote the development of national blood services based on voluntary non-remunerated donation of blood;
- (b) to enact effective legislation governing the operation of blood services and to take other actions necessary to protect and promote the health of blood donors and of recipients of blood and blood products;

3. REQUESTS the Director-General

- (a) to increase assistance to Member States in the development of national blood services based on voluntary donations, when appropriate in collaboration with the League of Red Cross Societies;
- (b) to assist in establishing cooperation between countries to secure adequate supply of blood and blood products based on voluntary donations;
- (c) to further study the practice of commercial plasmapheresis including the health hazards and ethical implications, particularly in developing countries,
- (d) to take steps to develop good manufacturing practices specifically for blood and blood components in order to protect the health of both donors and recipients; and
- (e) to report to the World Health Assembly on developments in these matters.

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DRUG DEPENDENCE

The Twenty-eighth World Health Assembly,

Recognizing the humanitarian necessity to provide health care and appropriate treatment and rehabilitation for drug-dependent persons;

Convinced that in the long term the serious public health problems resulting from the increasing self-administration of dependence-producing drugs cannot be solved unless prompt and effective measures are taken in all the countries of the world;

Recalling Article 38 of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs;

Reaffirming resolutions WHA23.42, WHA24.57, WHA25.62 and WHA26.52;

Noting also the unanimous resolution of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, endorsed by the Economic and Social Council, concerning measures to reduce illicit demand for drugs; and

Commending the Director-General on the measures so far taken to implement the expanded programme in this field approved by the Twenty-fourth and Twenty-fifth World Health Assemblies,

1. REQUESTS the Director-General:

- (i) to accelerate the development of the reporting programme on the epidemiology of drug dependence;
- (ii) to further develop the world-wide exchange of information and to continue to foster activities related to prevention, treatment and rehabilitation and research in these fields;
- (iii) to sustain efforts to increase financial support necessary for effective implementation of the expanded programme in the field of drug dependence;
- (iv) to assist governments, in accordance with their requests, within the limits of available financial and technical resources, and in continuing collaboration with the United Nations Fund for Drug Abuse Control, to develop and apply integrated services for prevention, early detection, treatment and rehabilitation at the community level;
- (v) to develop further activities related to the monitoring of adverse side effects of psychoactive drugs in relation to their risk of abuse and dependence potential;
- (vi) to foster activities to determine the dependence potential of chemical substances having an effect on mood and behaviour, and to prepare guidelines for the safe and effective use of psychoactive drugs; and
- (vii) to bear in mind the need to provide staff resources to enable WHO to contribute effectively to the efforts of the United Nations system of organizations in the field of drug abuse control.

2. URGES Member States and Associate Members, where the non-therapeutic use of drugs and drug dependence are public health and social problems, to incorporate appropriate prevention, treatment and rehabilitation measures in their integrated public health programmes;
3. ALSO INVITES Member States and Associate Members to develop in accordance with international treaties for the control of dependence-producing drugs appropriate national legislation and other procedures to ensure that the marketing of dependence-producing products does not give rise to non-therapeutic use and dependence on such drugs and serves only legitimate medical and scientific interests;
4. FURTHER URGES Member States and Associate Members with the appropriate facilities to pursue research in these fields in order to develop and improve methods for the prevention and management of problems related to traffic in and non-therapeutic use of drugs and to drug dependence;
5. REQUESTS the Director-General to report progress on this matter to the Twenty-ninth World Health Assembly; and
6. REQUESTS the Director-General to transmit this resolution to Member States for their study and guidance.

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THE NEED FOR LABORATORY ANIMALS FOR THE CONTROL OF BIOLOGICAL
PRODUCTS AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF BREEDING COLONIES

The Twenty-eighth World Health Assembly,

Taking into account the increasing use of experimental animals, particularly non-human primates (simians) in biomedical research, in vaccine production and in the safety controls for therapeutic substances in current use, pending the development of better alternative methods,

Recognizing instances where the inappropriate use of simians has led to the severe limitation of the supply of simians for legitimate scientific purposes,

1. URGES Member States:

- (a) to review the practices of research institutions and pharmaceutical concerns in their use of simians;
- (b) to establish guidelines for the use of simians to ensure their economic use;
- (c) to request their health administrations to explain to other branches of government the significance to human health of the use of simians;
- (d) to cooperate with other states in assuring the immediate and long-term availability of simians for legitimate health needs;
- (e) where appropriate to make available the simians necessary for the establishment of breeding colonies;

2. REQUESTS the Director-General:

- (a) to assist in developing international guidelines for the use of simians in human health programmes;
- (b) to advise on methods of limiting the unnecessary international trade in simians, which frequently carry unsuspected diseases dangerous to humans; and
- (c) to review the situation and report to the Twenty-ninth World Health Assembly.

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DEVELOPMENT OF THE ANTIMALARIA PROGRAMME

The Twenty-eighth World Health Assembly,

Recalling resolution WHA27.51:

Having considered the Director-General's report on the development of the antimalaria programme and the views expressed on the subject by the Executive Board at its fifty-fifth session:

Recognizing the grave consequences, especially for children, of the deteriorating epidemiological situation in a number of countries carrying out antimalaria programmes.

Conscious of the urgent need for the Organization to take active steps particularly to contain the present recrudescence of malaria in many parts of the world;

Realizing with concern the serious difficulties, especially the shortage of insecticides, antimalarial drugs and equipment and the increasing cost of supplies, transport and services the governments have to face to maintain the required degree of efficiency of antimalaria operations;

Further realizing that resources from the Voluntary Fund for Health Promotion - malaria special account - are no longer available at the level at which the necessary assistance could be provided to Member States;

Noting with satisfaction the decision of the Board to establish an ad hoc committee of its members to give close attention to the matter in cooperation with the Secretariat,

1. URGES the governments to re-examine their health priorities with due regard to the malaria situation and the potential spread of the disease in their countries and to mobilize the national resources required to ensure continuous support to the implementation of their antimalaria programmes;
2. INVITES the regional committees at their forthcoming sessions to give special attention to the malaria situation in the regions and make recommendations regarding the orientation of antimalaria programmes in regional frameworks;
3. REQUESTS the Director-General, taking into account the considerations of the ad hoc Committee on Malaria established by the Executive Board:
 - (1) to assist Member States in the planning, evaluation and implementation of anti-malaria programmes according to the particular situation, needs and resources of each country;
 - (2) to carry out a thorough review of the present position regarding the development and production of antimalarials and insecticides, with a view to ensuring the timely availability of these essential tools, at accessible costs, for national antimalaria programmes; and

(3) to inform, with a view to securing their cooperation, all international institutions and organizations, particularly UNICEF, as well as bilateral agencies of the deterioration in the epidemiological situation with regard to malaria, caused primarily by the difficulties countries are encountering in securing insecticides, antimalarial drugs, equipment and transport and the urgent need for greater assistance for antimalaria programmes;

4. URGES countries with available resources to contribute further to the Voluntary Fund for Health Promotion - malaria special account - either in money or in kind or to provide assistance through bilateral agreements within the framework of agreed programmes and plans of actions;

5. REQUESTS the Executive Board to continue to give close attention to the development of the antimalaria programme on a global basis and to report as appropriate to the World Health Assembly.

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PROMOTION OF NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICES RELATING
TO PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

The Twenty-eighth World Health Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Director-General on the promotion of national health services;

Regarding primary health care as the point of entry for the individual to the national health system, where it should be an integral part of that system and related closely to the life patterns and needs of the community it serves, and be fully integrated with the other sectors involved in community development;

Agreeing with the urgent need for the provision of primary health care (promotive, preventive, curative and rehabilitative) for underserved populations;

Reaffirming its previous resolutions and decisions (including WHA20.53, WHA23.61, WHA25.17, WHA26.35, WHA26.43 and WHA27.44) concerning especially the need to encourage the provision and expansion of effective, comprehensive health care to meet the right of access to such care for all people;

Emphasizing that such primary health care can be most effectively provided within a comprehensive national health system appropriate to the conditions and needs of each country, taking due account of relevant experiences in other countries,

1. THANKS the Director-General for his report, considering it a useful step towards the implementation of the resolutions;
2. URGES Member States to take the necessary steps to develop and implement plans of action in the area of primary health care, leading to the provision of a comprehensive health care system to the total population;
3. REQUESTS the Director-General
 - (a) to continue the work already begun in accordance with resolution EB55.R16 as outlined in his report, making full use of national and international experience in primary health care and of all available resources within and outside the regular budget,
 - (b) to encourage Member States to train and use health personnel with appropriate levels of skills within an organizational structure which ensures their effective support and guidance. Such personnel should, as far as practicable, have the opportunity for continuing training with the object of raising standards and securing professional advancement.

(c) to coordinate and foster research into improvement of primary health care systems, to disseminate information on new advances and experience in Member States, and to encourage the evaluation of such experiences.

4. FURTHER REQUESTS the Director-General:

(a) to promote and assist in the development of primary health care activities with the active participation of different socio-economic sectors, and through the use of different entry points, e.g. national development planning, rural and other inter-sectoral development activities;

(b) to continue consultations with Member States, relevant national and international agencies in order to obtain assistance in the development of an expanded long-term programme for primary health care, including the technical and financial aspects;

(c) to report progress periodically to the Executive Board and to a future World Health Assembly.

5. CONSIDERS it desirable, in view of the great importance of the problem of organizing primary health care within the framework of comprehensive national health systems and services, to hold as soon as possible an international meeting or conference under WHO auspices to exchange experience on the development of primary health care as part of national health services, especially as regards the aspects of planning and evaluation; and

6. INSTRUCTS the Executive Board to consider and determine at its fifty-seventh session the date, place, and concrete programme for such a conference.

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