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Article 10-A of the Constitution of the Pan American Sanitary Organization provides that "the Council shall meet normally at least once each year."

The first four meetings of the Council were held in Buenos Aires, Argentina (1947), Mexico City, Mexico (1948), Lima, Peru (1949), and Ciudad Trujillo, Dominican Republic (1950).

The XIII Pan American Sanitary Conference (1950) instituted the following schedule for meetings of the Conference and of the Council:

- "(a) During odd years between Conferences, the annual meetings of the Directing Council shall be held at the Headquarters of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau;
- "(b) The Directing Council shall determine the place for its meetings in those even years in which a meeting of the Conference is not scheduled."

The Conference further resolved "that meetings of the Directing Council in the future shall be held only in those years in which the Conference does not meet."

Accordingly, the Council chose the seat of its VI Meeting in 1952 (Havana, Cuba), and the V, VII, and VIII Meetings have taken place in Washington, D.C., in 1951, 1953, and 1955, respectively. No meeting took place in 1954, in view of the fact that the XIV Pan American Sanitary Conference was held in that year (Santiago, Chile).

Pursuant to the above-mentioned resolutions of the Conference, the Directing Council should determine at its present meeting the place of the IX Meeting in 1956.