40th Session of the Executive Committee

RESOLUTIONS

CE40.R1  The Executive Committee,

Having examined the Director's report on the present status of a site for a Headquarters building, in which he reported the enactment of United States Public Law 86–395; and

Having reviewed the Director's proposal for implementing a building program that will avoid unnecessary delays,

Resolves:

1. To express its deep appreciation to the Government of the United States of America for the action it has taken with respect to the donation of a site for the construction of the Headquarters building of the Pan American Health Organization.

2. To recommend that the Directing Council authorize the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to accept title to the land to be donated by the Government of the United States, on behalf of the Pan American Health Organization.

3. To authorize the Permanent Subcommittee on Buildings and Installations to submit to the meeting of the Executive Committee to be held immediately prior to the XII Meeting of the Directing Council detailed proposals regarding (a) methods of selecting architects, engineers, and contractors; (b) estimated space requirements; (c) facilities to be included in the building; (d) estimated cost; and (e) methods of financing, as outlined in Document CE40/5. The proposals
approved by the Executive Committee will be submitted to the Directing Council for consideration at its XII Meeting.

4. To request the Directing Council to delegate to the Executive Committee full power to act on behalf of the Pan American Health Organization regarding the construction of the Headquarters building and, at the same time, to authorize the Executive Committee to redelegate these powers to the Permanent Subcommittee on Buildings and Installations. The latter will keep the Executive Committee constantly informed on the development of its activities.

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CE40.R2  The Executive Committee,

Having examined the report of the Director on buildings and installations for Headquarters presented in Document CE40/5; and

Having considered the suggestions of the Permanent Subcommittee on Buildings and Installations that the balance remaining from the insurance settlement following the recent fire in the Headquarters building be appropriated by the Directing Council to the Pan American Health Organization Building Reserve Fund,

Resolves:

1. To take note of the report of the Director on buildings and installations.

2. To recommend to the Directing Council that any balance remaining from the aforementioned insurance settlement be transferred to the Building Reserve Fund.

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CE40.R3  The Executive Committee,
Maving examined the report of the Director on the Emergency Revolving Fund (Document CE40/6), in which an account is given of the activities in connection with the Fund,

Resolves:

To take note of the report presented by the Director on the Emergency Revolving Fund.

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CE40.R4 The Executive Committee,

Having examined the report of the Subcommittee on Basic Documents submitted by its chairman; and

Bearing in mind that the Subcommittee has held many meetings in order to study the texts of the articles of the Constitution and of the Rules of Procedure of the Pan American Sanitary Conference, the Directing Council, and the Executive Committee with a view to improving their clarity and coherence and the equivalence of meaning between the English and Spanish,

Resolves:

1. To take note of the progress report of the Subcommittee on Basic Documents of the Pan American Health Organization (Document CE40/10, Annex I).

2. To thank the Subcommittee for the interest it has shown in its work and for the generous cooperation it is giving to the Organization.

3. To express its hope to receive the preliminary revised text as soon as possible, in order that it may be submitted to the Member Governments for consideration before the Committee makes its recommendations to a future meeting of the Directing Council.

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CE40.R5  The Executive Committee,

Having examined the amendments to the Staff Rules of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, as set forth in Document CE40/2, Annex I, presented by the Director; and

Considering the provisions of Staff Rule 030,

Resolves:

To confirm the amendments to the Staff Rules of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau as presented by the Director in Document CE40/2, Annex I.

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CE40.R6  The Executive Committee,

Having examined Document CE40/4, relating to the health insurance plan for the staff members of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau,

Resolves:

To take note of the report of the Director on the implementation of the health insurance plan for staff members and their dependents.

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CE40.R7  The Executive Committee,

Having examined in detail the document presented by the Director on the Register of Areas Where Malaria is Eradicated (Document CE40/8), in which the conclusion was reached that it is useful and possible to establish such a register, but that it is still necessary to clarify some important points,
Resolves:

1. To take note of the report presented by the Director and to recommend that he continue to study this matter in the light of the recommendations of the WHO Expert Committee and the experience acquired by the malaria services within individual countries and through the work of the Evaluation Team.

2. To request the Director to inform the Executive Committee on the progress of the study and to present concrete recommendations at its meeting in the spring of 1961.

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CE40.R8 The Executive Committee, approved the preliminary draft agenda prepared by the Director for the XII Meeting of the Directing Council.

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CE40.R9 The Executive Committee,

Having studied the report presented by the Director (Document CE40/7) on the arrangements made, in agreement with the Government of Cuba, for holding the XII Meeting of the Directing Council, XII Meeting of the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization for the Americas, and the meetings of the Executive Committee that will take place in Havana in August 1960,

Resolves:

1. To take note of the report presented by the Director on the forthcoming meetings of the Governing Bodies of the Organization that are to take place in Havana in August 1960 (Document CE40/7).

2. To express its appreciation to the Government of Cuba, and especially to Dr. Serafín Ruiz de Zárate, Minister of Public Health, and his co-workers, for the
cooperation given and the facilities provided in the preparations for these meetings, and for the measures planned to ensure their success.

3. To approve the measures taken and to recommend that the Director continue, in collaboration with the authorities of the Government of Cuba, the preparations for organizing these meetings.

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CE40.R10  The Executive Committee,

Having considered the report of the Director on the action taken by the World Health Organization on the matter of recruitment of professional personnel and the secondment of staff from national administrations for service with the World Health Organization;

Considering that the World Health Organization is awaiting comments pertaining to Resolution EB23.R25 from the Member Governments and is contemplating the establishment of common conditions pertaining to the secondment of staff; and

Considering the need for more adequate salaries in international service and for better pension arrangements, particularly for the nonpermanent staff, as well as the need for further development of recruitment sources through education and training programs and for the greater use of nongovernmental health personnel,

Resolves:

1. To request the Director to keep the Executive Committee informed on the future developments with respect to the secondment of personnel of national health administrations.

2. To request the Director to transmit to the World Health Organization the views expressed by the members of the Executive Committee at its 40th Meeting on the problems of recruitment of personnel for international health work, specifically with respect to the secondment of staff from national health services and other agencies to the Pan American Health Organization and the World Health Organization.
The Executive Committee,


Considering the continued financial problems of the Pan American Health Organization, resulting from the substantial amount of uncollected quotas;

Considering that the External Auditor has reaffirmed his previous comment to the effect that "it is obvious that the present situation, involving delayed collections of contributions, cannot continue without putting the Organization in such a financial position as to seriously hamper the fulfillment of its aims"; and

Bearing in mind the views expressed during the course of the present meeting,

Resolves:


2. To urge the Member Governments whose quota contributions are in arrears to pay them at the earliest possible date.

3. To request the Director to bring to the attention of the Member Governments the need for the prompt payment of their quotas, and to take whatever additional action he may deem advisable to this effect, reporting to the XII Meeting of the Directing Council the results of his efforts in this connection.

The Executive Committee,
Taking into account the decrease in the funds of the United Nations Technical Assistance Program requested by the Governments and allocated to public health, which amounts to approximately $200,000 from 1958 to 1960; and

Considering that Resolution IX of the XI Meeting of the Directing Council requested "the Director to approach the Member Governments for the purpose of having them, at the level of their national technical assistance boards, expand their public health programs."

**Resolves:**

To recommend that the Director call to the attention of the Member Governments the reduction in funds of the United Nations Technical Assistance Program for public health activities that has taken place in the past few years and invite them to give these activities the priority they merit when planning their national Technical Assistance requests.

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**CE40.R13** The Executive Committee,

Having examined the question of the decentralization of the Bureau's activities and, particularly, the present distribution of the Zones and the personnel assigned thereto; and

Bearing in mind that, in addition to the financial aspects of decentralization, it is necessary to have an accurate idea of the effectiveness of decentralization and of the advantages it represents to the Member Governments,

**Resolves:**

To request the Director to prepare a study on the financial and technical aspects of the present system of decentralization and to submit it to the Executive Committee at its next meeting for consideration and appropriate action.

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The Executive Committee,

Having studied in detail the provisional draft of the Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Health Organization for 1961 contained in Official Document 28, with the modifications thereto appearing in Document CE40/3, both prepared by the Director; and

Considering the terms of Article 12, paragraph C, of the Constitution and paragraphs 3.5 and 3.6 of Article III of the Financial Regulations,

Resolves:

1. To submit to the XII Meeting of the Directing Council the Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Health Organization for 1961, prepared by the Director (Official Document 28 and Document CE40/3), together with the report (Document CE40/12, Rev. 1, Annex 1) containing the observations and recommendations made by this Committee.

2. To recommend that the Directing Council establish the budget for 1961 at $4,800,000.

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The Executive Committee,

Considering the need for the Committee to examine a number of topics that require careful study [and are to be submitted] to the Directing Council for consideration,

Resolves:

To hold, in exception to the established practice, the 41st Meeting of the Executive Committee immediately prior to the XII Meeting of the Directing Council, and to authorize the Director, after appropriate negotiation with the Government of Cuba, to convocate that meeting from 12 to 13 August 1960 in the City of Havana.
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