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## 43rd SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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### 43rd Session of the Executive Committee

#### RESOLUTIONS

**CE43.R1** The Executive Committee,

Having studied in detail the provisional draft of the Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Health Organization for 1962 contained in Official Document 31, with the modifications thereto appearing in Document CE43/2, prepared by the Director;

Considering that the XII Directing Council in Resolution X recognized that the provisional draft of the Proposed Program and Budget for 1962 appearing in Official Document 31 comprised well-conceived and much-needed health projects;

Considering that the modifications appearing in Document CE43/2 were made after consultation with each of the Governments and reflect the latest known desires and requirements of the Governments, with due regard for priorities of needs; and

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

#### **Resolves:**

1. To submit to the XIII Meeting of the Directing Council the Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Health Organization for 1962, prepared by the Director (Official Document 31 and Document CE43/2), together with the report

containing the observations and recommendations made by this Committee (Document CE43/18, Annex I).

2. To recommend that the Directing Council establish the budget level of the Pan American Health Organization for 1962 at \$5,240,000.

*May 1961 Doc. 43, 21*

**CE43.R2** The Executive Committee,

Having examined the Director's report on the establishment of a Special Fund for Health Promotion; and

Taking into account the generous offer of a grant by the W. K. Kellogg Foundation,

**Resolves:**

1. To express its deep appreciation to the W. K. Kellogg Foundation for the very generous grant of \$3,750,000 for expanded program activities of the Pan American Health Organization, which will enable the Organization to proceed with the construction of a new Headquarters building.

2. To transmit the report of the Director on the creation of a Special Fund for Health Promotion (Document CE43/2, Part II) to the XIII Meeting of the Directing Council.

3. To recommend that the Directing Council authorize the Director to create a Special Fund for Health Promotion, to which at least \$187,500 per year shall be appropriated from the regular budget of the Pan American Health Organization until an amount of \$3,750,000 has been committed for expanded program activities.

*May 1961 Doc. 43, 27*

**CE43.R3** The Executive Committee,

Having examined the reports of the Permanent Subcommittee on Buildings and Installations and of the Director on the financing of the construction costs of the Headquarters building, the international competition to select an architectural design, and the rental of additional temporary space for Headquarters,

**Resolves:**

1. To express its appreciation of the work of the Permanent Subcommittee on Buildings and Installations.
2. To approve the steps taken to date by the Director and the Permanent Subcommittee with respect to the new Headquarters building.
3. To transmit the reports of the Subcommittee and of the Director (Document CE43/7) to the XIII Meeting of the Directing Council.

*May 1961 Doc. 43, 30*

**CE43.R4** The Executive Committee,

Having examined the Financial Report of the Director for the fiscal year 1960 and the Report of the External Auditor on the audit of the accounts of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1960 (Official Document Noa 37);

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

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

**Resolves:**

1. To take note of the Financial Report of the Director and the Report of the External Auditor for the fiscal year 1960, and to transmit them to the XIII Meeting of the Directing Council
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, to take whatever additional action he may deem advisable to this effect, and to report to the XIII Meeting of the Directing Council the results of his efforts in this connection.

*May 1961 Doc. 43, 37-8*

**CE43.R5** The Executive Committee,

Having examined the report of the Director on the decentralization of the activities of the Bureau (Document CE43/6); and

Bearing in mind that the study presented by the Director has met with the recommendation of the Executive Committee at its 41st Meeting,

**Resolves:**

1. To note with satisfaction the report presented by the Director on the decentralization of the activities of the Bureau (Document CE43/6).
2. To instruct the Director to continue to apply the decentralization measures and administrative procedures he may deem appropriate, in accordance with the plan and criteria presented in his report.

*May 1961 Doc. 43, 48*

**CE43.R6** The Executive Committee,

Having examined the amendments to the Staff Rules of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, as set forth in Document CE43/4, Part I, presented by the Director;

Noting that the amendments to Staff Rule 260 on assignment allowance will result in a substantial loss of remuneration to those staff members who are assigned to any one Schedule 5 duty station for five consecutive years or more;

Considering that the provision in question was not incorporated into the Staff Rules at the time the assignment allowance was introduced in January 1958;

Considering the necessity of maintaining uniformity of rules and conditions of employment for PASB and WHO staff; and

Considering the provisions of Staff Rule 030,

**Resolves:**

1. To confirm the amendments to the Staff Rules of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau as presented by the Director in the Annex to Document CE43/4, Part I, except for the amendment to Staff Rule 260.
2. To request the World Health Organization to initiate within the United Nations a re-examination of the provisions of Staff Rule 260 on assignment allowance [so as] to eliminate conditions of employment that would discriminate against those staff members stationed at Schedule 5 duty stations for periods of five consecutive years or more.
3. To request the Director to undertake all measures possible to solve the problem of the assignment allowance and to report thereon to the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

*May 1961 Doc. 43, 52*

**CE43.R7** The Executive Committee,

Having considered the report of the Director on the matter of dependents' allowances for general service staff (Document CE43/4);

Noting the practices of the United Nations and other international agencies in the Region of the Americas; and

Having considered the financial implications of adopting a program of dependents' allowances for general services staff,

**Resolves:**

To approve in principle a program of dependents' allowances for general service staff at each of the Organization's stations in the Region, and to request the Director to include in the proposed budget for 1963 the amount necessary to implement this program.

*May 1961 Doc. 43, 57*

**CE43.R8** The Executive Committee,

Taking into account the report of the Subcommittee on Basic Documents of the Pan American Health Organization (Document CE43/8) on the study assigned to it by the Executive Committee in Resolution I of its 36th Meeting;

Bearing in mind that, as pointed out previously by the Executive Committee, it is considered advisable to include also in the study of the Basic Documents the Rules of Procedure of the Directing Council and the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Committee; and

Considering the terms of Resolutions XXX and XXXIV of the XV Pan American Sanitary Conference,

**Resolves:**

1. To take note of the report of the Subcommittee on Basic Documents of the Pan American Health Organization (Document CE43/8).
2. To express its thanks to the Subcommittee on Basic Documents for the important work it has accomplished in order to fulfill the assignment with which it was entrusted.
3. To request the Subcommittee on Basic Documents to complete, as soon as possible, its study on the Rules of Procedure of the Directing Council and the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Committee.
4. To authorize the Director to submit to the Member Governments the revisions proposed by the Subcommittee on Basic Documents in its report, as well as the revisions to be proposed with reference to the Rules of Procedure of the Directing Council and the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Committee, with

the request that any comments be sent to the Director by 1 September 1961 so that he may present them to the 44th Meeting of the Executive Committee.

*May 1961 Doc. 43, 60*

**CE43.R9** The Executive Committee,

Having considered the report of the Director on Resolution XIX of the XII Meeting of the Directing Council (Document CE43/9);

Considering the difficulties in attempting to change the present system of quota payments, particularly with reference to the problem of maintaining equity and fairness for all the Member Governments; and

Having studied the problem in detail, particularly with respect to the experience of the World Health Organization in this matter,

**Resolves:**

To maintain the present arrangements for the payment of annual quota contributions as expressed in Financial Regulation 5.5.

*May 1961 Doc. 43, 65*

**CE43.R10** The Executive Committee,

Having carefully considered Document CE43/15, in which the Director of the Bureau reported on the consultations undertaken in compliance with Resolution XXIII of the XII Meeting of the Directing Council;

Considering that the Organization has been very much aware of the importance of more firmly linking public health to the balanced economic and social development of nations and, in this connection, has taken an active role in the deliberations of the OAS and its committees; and

Considering that the activities of the Director vis-...-vis the Special Committee to Study the Formulation of New Measures for Economic Cooperation of the Organization of American States, the international banking organizations, and the Governments and other institutions have effectively contributed to fostering the recognition that health is a basic component of social and economic development,

**Resolves:**

1. To take note of the report presented by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau in Document CE43/15, and to transmit it to the XIII Meeting of the Directing Council with the strong endorsement of the Committee.
2. To congratulate the Director on the skillful and effective manner in which he has presented to the Organization of American States, the Inter-American Development Bank, and the Governments the reason for incorporating the concept of health into the planning for the economic and social development of the peoples of the Americas.
3. To recommend that the Directing Council approve the following objectives:
  - a) To fulfill the role of PAHO in the implementation of the Act of Bogotá, particularly with reference to the strengthening of national health services and to the provision of potable water;
  - b) To contribute even more effectively, through health activities, to the balanced social and economic development of the countries of the Americas;
  - c) To emphasize the importance of health programs in the preparation of plans for socioeconomic development, and to emphasize to the Member Governments the need for the participation of the health authorities in the preparation of these plans;
  - d) To give increasing emphasis to the improvement of the administration of health programs, through the strengthening of statistical services, improvement in administrative practices, personnel management and training, and other means for achieving the same end; and
  - e) To assist in the establishment of more effective criteria for the assessment of the economic value of health programs.



4. To recommend that the Pan American Sanitary Bureau render assistance, on request from the national health authorities, in planning in the field of health in such a way as to emphasize the importance of the concept of health in the social and economic development of the countries.

*May 1961 Doc. 43, 80*

**CE43.R11** The Executive Committee,

Having examined in detail the document presented by the Director on the Register of Areas Where Malaria is Eradicated (Document CE43/14), in which the conclusion was reached that the Pan American Sanitary Bureau is in a position to assume the responsibility assigned by Resolution XXXII of the XI Meeting of the Directing Council,

**Resolves:**

1. To approve the report on the Register of Areas Where Malaria is Eradicated (Document CE43/14) presented by the Director.
2. To request the Director to transmit this report to the Directing Council at its XIII Meeting.

*May 1961 Doc. 43, 84*

**CE43.R12** The Executive Committee, approved the preliminary draft agenda prepared by the Director for the XIII Meeting of the Directing Council.

*May 1961 Doc. 43, 86*

**CE43.R13** The Executive Committee,

Taking into account the reasons, expressed by the representative of the government of Argentina; and

Considering the terms of Article 4-D of the Constitution,

**Resolves:**

To instruct the Director that, at the XVI Pan American Sanitary Conference, Technical Discussions be held in the same manner as at prior conferences and that an Inter-American Congress of Public Health therefore not be organized on that occasion.

*May 1961 Doc. 43, 88-89*

**CE43.R14** The Executive Committee,

Taking into account that the next meetings of the Executive Committee and of the Directing Council of the Pan American Health Organization will be held in Washington, D. C., in 1961,

**RESOLVES:**

To authorize the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to convoke the XIII Meeting of the Directing Council, XIII Meeting of the WHO Regional Committee, to be held from 3 to 17 October 1961. The 44th Meeting of the Executive Committee will be held concurrently.

*May 1961 Doc. 43, 91*

**CE43.R15** The Executive Committee,

Having examined the Financial Rules as set forth in Document CE43/3, Annex I,

**Resolves:**

To confirm the Financial Rules of the Pan American Health Organization as presented by the Director in Document CE43/3, Annex I, and to transmit them to the XIII Meeting of the Directing Council.

*May 1961 Doc. 43, 92*

**CE43.R16** The Executive Committee,

Having examined the report presented by the Director on the Emergency Revolving Fund (Document CE43/10), which describes the activities related to the Fund,

**RESOLVES:**

To take note of the report presented by the Director on the Wrgency Revolving Fund (Document CE43/10),

*May 1961 Doc. 43, 93*

**CE43.R17** The Executive Committee,

Having examined Document CE43/5, Annex I, on the estimated requirements for the PAHO Special Malaria Fund; and

Having reviewed the requirements for individual program activities being developed or planned by the Pan American Health Organization,

**Resolves:**

1. To take note of the funds deemed necessary to cover future requirements (Document CE43/5, Annex I).

2. To request that this material be presented to the Directing Council at its next meeting, together with such revisions as may be required to bring it up to date at that time.
3. To request the Director to prepare annual revisions of these estimates for study by the Executive Committee and the Directing Council.
4. To request the Member Governments to continue their support to the PAHO Special Malaria Fund so that eradication activities may proceed as scheduled.

*May 1961 Doc. 43, 99*

**CE43.R18** The Executive Committee,

Having considered the report of the Director on planning for the PAHO research program and the steps already being taken for the expansion of research in the Region; and

Considering that such expansion of research will be of benefit to the health and medical programs throughout the Americas,

**Resolves:**

1. To approve the plan and policies outlined by the Director in Document CE43/16, and to transmit the report to the XIII Meeting of the Directing Council.
2. To request the Director to take the necessary action for all possible further expansion of the research activities of the Organization for the mutual benefit of the countries of the Region.

*May 1961 Doc. 43, 102*

**CE43.R19** The Executive Committee,

Having discussed at length the problems of sanitation, and specifically those of potable water supply in the Latin American countries, and recognizing that programs directed to their solution must receive ever-increasing emphasis;

Recognizing that the development of programs in water supply, sewage disposal, and general sanitation require an adequate number of trained sanitary engineers and auxiliary personnel;

Recognizing that immediate steps must be taken not only to interest more students to enter this field but also to provide facilities in which such personnel can be trained;

Noting that institutions for the training of sanitary engineers and auxiliary personnel within Latin America are either lacking or, where existent, are in need of strengthening;

Recognizing that the magnitude of sanitation problems in Latin America demands [that they be given] high priority in public health programs, and that the solution of such problems will have social as well as economic benefits; and

Taking into account that substantial sums of capital are being made available for the construction of water supply systems, sewage systems, and other sanitation facilities, the use of which will demand national personnel competent to carry out and develop such programs,

**Resolves:**

1. To request the Director of the Bureau to continue to explore ways by which assistance can be given to the Member Governments for the establishment, strengthening, and expansion of the training of sanitary engineers and auxiliary personnel in Latin America.
2. To request the Director to continue to investigate, particularly with the United Nations Special Fund, means for providing a broad program of assistance to the Governments in the training of sanitary engineers and auxiliary personnel.

*May 1961 Doc. 43, 103*

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