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RESOLUTIONS

CE46.R1 The Executive Committee, Having examined the Financial Report of the Director and the Report of the External Auditor on the audit of the accounts of the Pan American Health Organization for 1961 (Official Document No. 39);

Considering that the External Auditor states in his Report that "all efforts must be carried out for better collection of quota contributions and arrears in order to secure the proper fulfillment of the Organization's activities and to build up the Working Capital Fund"; 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 1961 (Official Document No. 39) and to transmit them to the XVI Pan American Sanitary Conference.
2. To urge the Member Governments whose quota contributions are in arrears to pay them at the earliest possible date.

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CE246.R2 The Executive Committee,

Having studied in detail the provisional draft of the Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Health Organization for 1963 contained in Official Document 35, with the modifications thereto appearing in Document CE46/4, prepared by the Director;

Considering that the XIII Directing Council in Resolution VI recognized that the provisional draft of the Proposed Program and Budget for 1963 appearing in Official Document 35 comprises well-conceived and much-needed health projects;

Considering that the modifications appearing in Document CE46/4 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;

Considering that the program as modified takes into account the emphasis on national health planning as an integral part of the plans for social and economic development envisaged under the Charter of Punta del Este; and

Bearing in mind the terms of Article 14, 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 XVI Pan American Sanitary Conference the Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Health Organization for 1963, prepared by the Director (Official Document 35 and Document CE46/4), together with the observations made by this Committee (Point 2 of Document CE46/15).
2. To recommend that the Conference establish the budget level of the Pan American Health Organization for 1963 at \$5,990,000.

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CE46.R3 The Executive Committee,

Considering the provisions of Article 17, paragraph B, of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization;

Taking into account Resolution VII of the XIV Pan American Sanitary Conference; and

Having noted Resolution WHA14.5 of the Fourteenth World Health Assembly, which provides that

(1) Members of the Executive Board shall be paid a per diem allowance at the rate of \$23 while attending meetings in Geneva, \$30 while attending meetings in New York, and while attending meetings elsewhere at a rate to be fixed by the Executive Board and not to exceed the equivalent of \$23; and

(2) The applicable per diem allowance shall be paid to members of the Executive Board during periods of necessary travel to and from the place of meeting and attendance at the place of the meeting, except that such allowance shall be reduced to \$10 for each full day (midnight to midnight) when traveling by sea,

Resolves:

To request the Director of the Bureau to take the necessary steps to raise the per diem allowance of the Members of the Executive Committee to \$30 and, accordingly, to make such provision as may be appropriate to cover these costs in the Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Health Organization for 1963.

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CE46.R4 The Executive Committee,

Having considered the report of the Director on the activities being carried out by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau under the Charter of Punta del Este (Document CE46/12); and

Bearing in mind the importance of these activities for the health and welfare of the peoples of the Americas,

Resolves:

1. To approve the report of the Director on the activities of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau under the Charter of Punta del Este (Document CE46/12).

2. To invite the Director to proceed with programs designed to fulfill the responsibilities of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau under the Charter of Punta del Este.
3. To invite the Director to make every effort to secure extra budgetary funds in support of training in planning for officials of national health services, faculty members of schools of public health, and Bureau staff.
4. To invite the Director to take the necessary steps to incorporate the Pan American Sanitary Bureau fully into every activity, mission, study, etc., related to economic development and social progress that is undertaken by international organizations such as the Organization of American States, the Inter-American Development Bank, and the United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America, as well as by other governmental and nongovernmental organizations active in this field.
5. To recommend to the Governments that have not yet done so that as soon as possible they establish health planning committees and relate them to the national development planning committees, in order to prepare the plans provided for in the Charter of Punta del Este under the Alliance for Progress program, and that they take the necessary steps to establish coordinating committees with other international organizations providing assistance in the health field so as to secure the greatest benefit for the health of the people.

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CE46.R5 The Executive Committee,

Having examined the reports of the Permanent Subcommittee on Buildings and Installations and of the Director on the progress of the building program,

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 to the XVI Pan American Sanitary Conference.

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CE46.R6 The Executive Committee,

Having examined the amendments to the Staff Rules of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, as set forth in the Annex to Document CE46/3, 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 the Annex to Document CE46/3.

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CE46.R7 The Executive Committee,

Bearing in mind the provisions of Article 21, paragraph B, of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization, as revised pursuant to Resolution XXXVII of the XIII Meeting of the Directing Council; and

Bearing in mind Staff Regulation 3.1 and Staff Rule 230.1 of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau,

Resolves:

1. To approve the decision of the Director that the present Assistant Director of the Bureau, Dr. John C. Cutler, be the Deputy Director and that the present Secretary General, Dr. Víctor A. Sutter, be the Assistant Director.

2. To approve the proposal of the Director fixing the salary of the Deputy Director at \$17,900 per annum and that of the Assistant Director at \$16,900 per annum.

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CE46.R8 The Executive Committee,

Having considered the report of the Director on the planning services of the Pan American Health Organization (Document CE46/11); and

Bearing in mind the importance of health planning and the momentum it is gaining,

Resolves:

1. To take note of the report of the Director on the planning services of the Pan American Health Organization (Document CE46/11).
2. To invite the Director to continue to study the strengthening of planning activities along the lines of the aforementioned report, so as to be able to meet the needs of Governments for advisory services in this field, and to report on further developments to the Governing Bodies in due course.

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CE46.R9 The Executive Committee,

Having considered the report on the recruitment and retention of staff of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau (Document CE46/7), presented by the Director in fulfillment of the decision of the Executive Committee at its 45th Meeting; 1 (Decision recorded in the minutes of the meeting (Document CE45/2, p. 5).)and

Considering that it is essential to have well-trained and highly competent personnel whose retention in the service is guaranteed by fully satisfactory conditions of employment,

Resolves:

1. To take note of the report of the Director on the recruitment and retention of the staff of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau (Document CE46/7), and to request him to report to the Governing Bodies in due course on such measures [as] he may adopt to improve the conditions of employment in the Organization.
2. To reiterate the recommendations contained in Resolution XXV of the XII Meeting of the Directing Council.
3. To request the Governments to adopt the pertinent provisions to safeguard the security of tenure and pension rights of officials temporarily seconded to international health agencies.

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CE46.R10 The Executive Committee,

Having considered the report of the Director on the procurement services the Pan American Sanitary Bureau provides to the Governments (Document CE46/5);
and

Considering that the provision of these services, including procurement as such and pro forma invoicing, is extremely useful for both Governments and public institutions,

Resolves:

1. To take note of the report of the Director on procurement services to the Governments (Document CE46/5).
2. To invite the Director to remind the Governments of the existence of these services, to bring to their attention the procedures and methods used by the Bureau in meeting the requests of the Governments in the matter of the price and

quality of products, and to request them to state whether they are interested in continuing to use these services.

3. To request the Director to review the operation of the procurement service and, in accordance with the replies from the Governments, to submit a report on the matter to the meeting of the Executive Committee in the Spring of 1963.

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CE46.R11 The Executive Committee,

Having examined Document CE46/10 on preliminary plans for the application of functional budgeting to the programs of the Pan American Health Organization, presented by the Director in fulfillment of the decision of the Executive Committee at its 45th Meeting; 1 and

Considering that the revision of the budget format, in accordance with the procedure suggested in the aforementioned document, would make it easier to appreciate the direction of the efforts of the Organization and their conformance with priorities implicit in given policy objectives,

Resolves:

To take note of Document CE46/10 on preliminary plans for the application of the system of functional budgeting to the program of the Pan American Health Organization presented by the Director, and to invite him to complete such detailed studies as may be necessary for this purpose and to report thereon to the meeting of the Executive Committee that will be held in the spring of 1963.

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CE46.R12 The Executive Committee,

Having examined the report of the Director on the Emergency Revolving Fund the activities of that Fund,

Resolves:

To take note of the report of the Director on the Emergency Revolving Fund (Document CE46/6).

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CE46.R13 The Executive Committee,

Having examined Document CE46/8, presented by the Director of the Bureau, which provides background information on the establishment of national PAHO/WHO Committees; and

Considering that such committees can perform valuable services in supporting and disseminating information about the public health programs of the respective countries, which will be of benefit to the national public health administrations as well as to the Pan American Health Organization and the World Health Organization,

Resolves:

1. To invite the Director of the Bureau to use every means at his disposal to foster the organization of national committees in the countries of the Americas, with the following objectives: (a) to arouse the interest of public opinion in health problems, and (b) to disseminate information about the importance of international cooperation, especially with regard to the activities of the Pan American Health Organization and the World Health Organization.
2. To invite the Director to report to the Governing Bodies in due course on the results of his efforts to this end.

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CE46.R14 The Executive Committee,

Considering that the Government of Argentina has informed the Director of the Bureau that, owing to unforeseen circumstances, it finds it necessary to postpone its invitation to hold the XVI Pan American Sanitary Conference, XIV Meeting of the Regional Committee of WHO, in Argentina and to defer its offer to a future occasion;

Considering that Resolution XXIII adopted by the XIII Pan American Sanitary Conference and Article 13 of the Rules of Procedure of the XV Pan American Sanitary Conference, as well as Rule 2 of the Rules of Procedure of the Pan American Sanitary Conference, whose approval was recommended by the XIII Meeting of the Directing Council, provide that [if] the country chosen for the site of a Pan American Sanitary Conference [is] unable to comply with this commitment for special reasons the meeting of the Conference will automatically be held at the Headquarters of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau;

Bearing in mind that Resolution XXI of the XIII Pan American Sanitary Conference resolved to retain the Headquarters of PASB in the United States of America; and

Considering that it is necessary to determine an alternative site for the holding of the XVI Pan American Sanitary Conference, and taking into account the short period of time remaining for making the necessary material and other arrangements,

Resolves:

1. To request the Chairman of the Executive Committee and the Director of the Bureau to consult together concerning the arrangements necessary to permit the holding of the XVI Pan American Sanitary Conference, XIV Meeting of the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization for the Americas, at the Headquarters of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.
2. To request the Director to convoke the Conference [once] the date has been established.

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Considering that Resolution XV of the III Meeting of the Directing Council recommended that the Member [Governments] present a written report, preferably statistical, to each Pan American Sanitary Conference on the work accomplished between Conferences;

Bearing in mind that Resolution XXIV of the XIV Pan American Sanitary Conference considered that the Summary of the Reports of the Member States, [prepared by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, is] a valuable document for providing knowledge about the health problems of the Americas;

Considering that Resolution XXXVII of the XV Pan American Sanitary Conference recommended to the Member Countries that they take the necessary measures to have their reports on health conditions for the XVI Pan American Sanitary Conference include complete information in the various fields of statistics and requested the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to collaborate by providing technical services to aid the countries in obtaining the statistical information they will have to prepare for the report to be presented to the XVI Conference; and

Having examined the proposed procedure (Document CE46/ 14) for consideration of the [aforementioned] reports to be presented to the XVI Pan American Sanitary Conference (item 29 on the preliminary draft agenda of the Conference),

Resolves:

To recommend to the Director that, for the presentation and consideration at the XVI Pan American Sanitary Conference of the summary of the reports of the Governments to which the item "Report of the Member States of the Organization on Public Health Conditions and Progress Achieved During the Period between the XV and XVI Pan American Sanitary Conferences" refers, the following procedure be adopted:

- a) That the summary of the four-year reports of the Governments be presented in plenary session;
- b) That the delegates of the Governments who may wish to present supplementary information on their respective countries be given the floor immediately after the presentation of the document; and

c) That, at the conclusion of the oral reports of the delegations, specific items on public health problems that are deemed to merit special study be assigned to Committee I (Technical Matters) for consideration.

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CE46.R16 The Executive Committee,

Having examined the preliminary draft agenda (Document CSP16/1) prepared by the Director for the XVI Pan American Sanitary Conference; and

Considering that Article 7, paragraph F, of the Constitution provides that "the provisional agenda of the Conference shall be prepared by the Director of the Bureau and submitted to the Executive Committee for approval" and that, in accordance with existing regulations, the Governments may propose items that they wish the Conference to consider,

Resolves:

1. To approve the preliminary draft agenda prepared by the Director (Document CSP16/1) for the XVI Pan American Sanitary Conference, XIV Meeting of the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization for the Americas, adding to it the item entitled "Letter from the Secretary General of the Organization of American States transmitting the Final Act of the Eighth Meeting of Consultation of Ministers of Foreign Affairs, Serving as Organ of Consultation in Application of the Inter-American Treaty of Reciprocal Assistance."
2. To authorize the Director to incorporate in the aforementioned draft agenda any additional items proposed by the Governments or by organizations that have the right to propose agenda items.

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CE46.R17 The Executive Committee,

Bearing in mind the increases in the basic salary scales of professional staff members recently introduced by the United Nations, the World Health Organization, the Pan American Health Organization, and other international agencies;

Considering that the Executive Committee in the course of the present meeting approved a salary increase for the Deputy Director and the Assistant Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau;

Bearing in mind that the salary of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau has undergone no change whatsoever since it was established more than ten years ago, and that it would be only fair to raise it to a level commensurate with the position and responsibility of the highest officer of the Pan American Health Organization; and

Considering that professional staff members of international agencies receive, in addition to their basic salary, post adjustment, cost-of-living, family, and other allowances,

Resolves:

To suggest to the XVI Pan American Sanitary Conference that the salary of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau be increased to a level commensurate with his high position and important functions and that, in addition, he be granted a suitable proportion of the allowances enjoyed by other international officials.

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1. The decision was recorded in the minutes of the single plenary session (Document CE45/2, p. 5).

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