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FINAL REPORT¹

The 115th Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Pan American Health Organization was held at the Headquarters building in Washington, D.C., on 30 September 1994, as convened by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

Participants

The following accredited delegations of the Executive Committee members and staff members of the Bureau were present:

Members of the Executive Committee

Dr. Argentino Luis Pico	Argentina
Hon. Ruben Campos Dr. José Antonio López	Belize
Dr. Joaquín Monasterio Pinckert	Bolivia
Mr. Edward Aiston Dr. Guy Nantel Mr. Dean Hirtle	Canada
Mr. Neil A. Boyer Mr. Richard Walling	United States of America
Mr. Luis Alfonso de Alba	Mexico
Hon. Constance V. Mitcham	Saint Kitts and Nevis
Dr. Pablo Durán	Uruguay

¹ This final report is necessarily synoptic in nature and, accordingly, should be read together with the minutes of the Meeting, where the topics are addressed in more detail.

Secretariat

Dr. Carlyle Guerra de Macedo
Director

Dr. Robert F. Knouss
Deputy Director

Sir George Alleyne
Assistant Director

Mr. Thomas M. Tracy
Chief of Administration

Dr. David Brandling-Bennett
Director, Division of Communicable Disease Prevention and Control

Mr. Horst Otterstetter
Director, Division of Health and Environment

Dr. José M. Paganini
Director, Division of Health Systems and Services

Dr. Helena Restrepo
Director, Division of Health Promotion and Protection

Dr. José R. Teruel
Director, Division of Health and Development

Chief, Department of Conference and General Services
Mr. César A. Portocarrero

Chief, Conference and Secretariat Services
Ms. Janice Barahona

Opening of the Meeting

The 115th Meeting was opened by Dr. Argentino Luis Pico, Chairman of the Executive Committee, who welcomed the Representatives of El Salvador, Saint Kitts and Nevis, and the United States of America, elected to the Committee on the expiration of the periods of office of Honduras, Peru, and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

Officers

The following representatives were reelected as Officers of the Meeting:

<i>Chairman:</i>	Dr. Argentino Luis Pico	Argentina
<i>Vice Chairman:</i>	Mr. Edward M. Aiston	Canada
<i>Rapporteur:</i>	Hon. Ruben Campos	Belize

The Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, Dr. Carlyle Guerra de Macedo, served as Secretary *ex officio* of the Executive Committee.

Agenda

The provisional agenda (Document CE115/1) was adopted.

Decisions

CE115(D1) Composition of the Subcommittee on Women, Health, and Development

Bolivia, Saint Kitts and Nevis and the United States of America, were elected to the Special Subcommittee on Women, Health, and Development, on the expiration of the terms of office of Honduras, Peru, and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines on the Executive Committee.

CE115(D2) Dates of the 23rd and 24th Meetings of the Subcommittee on Planning and Programming

The Subcommittee on Planning and Programming will hold its 23rd Meeting at Headquarters, on 8 and 9 December 1994, and its 24th Meeting, from 5 to 7 April 1995.

CE115(D3) Dates of the 15th Meeting of the Special Subcommittee on Women, Health, and Development

The Special Subcommittee on Women, Health, and Development will hold its 15th Meeting at Headquarters, from 3 to 5 April 1995.

CE115(D4) Dates of the 116th Meeting of the Executive Committee

The Executive Committee will hold its 116th Meeting at Headquarters, from 26 to 30 June 1995.

CE115(D5) Provisional Agenda of the 23rd Meeting of the Subcommittee on Planning and Programming

The following provisional agenda was approved for the 23rd Meeting of the Subcommittee on Planning and Programming: Strategic and Program Orientations for the Pan American Health Organization, 1995-1998; Pan American Conference on Health and the Environment in Sustainable Development; health, social equity, and changing production patterns; PAHO activities for humanitarian assistance; population and health; decentralization and the strengthening of the local health systems; and the financial management system of PAHO.

Administrative Matters

With respect to the proposed new PAHO Headquarters building, the Executive Committee was informed that the United States court that is considering the appeal filed by PAHO will announce its decision in October or November of this year. The outcome of the appeal will determine the next steps to be taken.

With respect to PAHO field office buildings, the Director announced that a new site for the PAHO Representative's Office in Mexico has been obtained.

The Director informed the Executive Committee of a contingency plan to cope with a series of unforeseen expenses, estimated at between \$6,000,000 and \$8,000,000, resulting from several labor disputes—for some of which the outcome is still pending—and from the devaluation of the US dollar vis-à-vis the Brazilian real. He emphasized that, although there may be some difficulties, it will be possible to overcome this problem because of the sound financial position of the Organization.

Other Matters

In addition to the matters reflected in the aforementioned decisions and in the resolution reproduced in its entirety in this document, the following topics were addressed:

- Analysis of the process and content of the XXIV Pan American Sanitary Conference;
- Resolutions of the XXIV Pan American Sanitary Conference of interest to the Executive Committee.

Resolutions

At the single plenary session the following resolution was adopted.

CE115.R1 ***Dates of the XXXVIII Meeting of the PAHO Directing Council, XLVII Meeting of the WHO Regional Committee for the Americas***

THE 115th MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Considering that the Director has proposed the dates 25 to 29 September 1995 for the XXXVIII Meeting of the PAHO Directing Council, XLVII Meeting of the WHO Regional Committee for the Americas; and

Bearing in mind Articles 12.A and 14.A of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization and Rule 1 of the Rules of Procedure of the Directing Council,

RESOLVES:

To authorize the Director to convoke the XXXVIII Meeting of the PAHO Directing Council, XLVII Meeting of the WHO Regional Committee for the Americas, to meet at the Headquarters building in Washington, D.C., from 25 to 29 September 1995.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Chairman of the Executive Committee and the Secretary *ex officio*, Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, sign the present Final Report in the English and Spanish languages, the two texts being equally authentic.

DONE in Washington, D.C., United States of America, on this thirtieth day of September, nineteen hundred and ninety-four. The Secretary shall deposit the original texts in the Archives of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and shall send copies thereof to the Member Governments of the Organization.

Argentino Luis Pico
Chairman of the 115th Meeting
of the Executive Committee
Representative of Argentina

Carlyle Guerra de Macedo
Secretary *ex officio* of the 115th Meeting
of the Executive Committee
Director of the
Pan American Sanitary Bureau