Washington D.C., August 31 – 11 September 1964

RESOLUTION

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FLUORIDATION OF PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES

THE 15th DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the report of the Director on the fluoridation of public water supplies (Document CD15/29);

Considering that dental problems cannot be solved or dental disorders brought under control with the available professional resources, and that the relative shortage of dental resources will become more pronounced as the population of Latin America increases;

Considering that the fluoridation of public water supplies is an effective means of preventing dental caries; and

Bearing in mind that, in order to hasten the extension of water fluoridation to areas that are not yet benefiting from this measure, there must be close collaboration and coordination between dentists and sanitary engineers,

RESOLVES

1.To take note of the report of the Director on the fluoridation of public water supplies (Document CD15/29), and to endorse the policy outlined [therein].

- 2.To note with satisfaction the terms of the recommendation on fluoridation that were adopted by the IX Inter-American Congress of Sanitary Engineering, organized by the Inter-American Association of Sanitary Engineering (AIDIS) and held in Bogotá, Colombia, in July 1964.
- 3.To suggest to the national authorities responsible for providing public water supplies that they take the necessary steps to begin fluoridation in water systems that have not yet adopted this measure.
- 4.To recommend that the Director continue his efforts to obtain the funds needed to implement the proposed program.

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