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PRECIS MINUTES OF THE 21ST MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Washington, D. C.
Friday, 16 October 1953, at 10:50 a.m.

Provisional Chairman:

Dr. José ZOZAYA

Mexico

Chairman:

Dr. Almir DE CASTRO

Brazil

Vice-Chairman:

Dr. Lucien PIERRE-NOEL

Hai**ti**

Secretary:

Dr. Miguel E. BUSTAMANTE

Pan American Sanitary Bureau

SUMMARY

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- 2. Election of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman
- 3. Matters Entrusted to the Executive Committee by the Directing Council
- 4. Date of the 22nd Meeting of the Executive Committee
- 5. Other Matters Discussed

PRESENT

Members:

Mr. Andrés RODRIGUEZ Argentina Dr. Gerardo SEGURA (Adviser) Mr. Oscar PERALTA (Adviser) Dr. Almir DE CASTRO Brazil Dr. Leonardo E. BELLO SARRIA Ecuador Dr. Lucien PIERRE-NOEL Haiti Dr. Antoine GRAND-PIERRE (Alternate) Mexico Dr. José ZOZAYA Dr. Alberto BISSOT, Jr. Panama Dr. Frederick J. BRADY United States Mr. Simon N. WILSON (Adviser) Dr. Fred L. SOPER (ex officio) Pan American Sanitary Bureau

Other Participants:

Observers for Member Governments:

Dr. Hernán URZUA

Dr. René LAVOINE

Dr. Nicolaas H. SWELLENGREBEL

Dr. Edwin VAN DER KUYP

Dr. A. PIERON

Dr. A. A. PEAT

Dr. C. C. WEDDERBURN

Dr. Daniel ORELLANA

Chile

France

Netherlands

Netherlands

Venezuela

1. <u>SEATING OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF ARGENTINA AND THE UNITED STATES</u> AS MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The PROVISIONAL CHAIRMAN, Dr. ZOZAYA (Mexico), opened the 21st Meeting of the Executive Committee. He welcomed the Representatives of Argentina and the United States, who were elected by the Directing Council to fill the vacancies created by the termination of the periods of office of the Representatives of Chile and the Dominican Republic, and expressed the satisfaction of the Committee at having among its members such able persons as those designated.

2. ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN

The PROVISIONAL CHAIRMAN called for nominations for the posts of Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

Dr. BISSOT (Panama) proposed the election of the Representative of Brazil, Dr. Almir de Castro, to the post of Chairman, and of the Representative of Haiti, Dr. Lucien Pierre-Ncel, to that of Vice-Chairman.

Dr. BELLO SARRIA (Ecuador) and Mr. RODRIGUEZ (Argentina) seconded the nominations.

DECISION TAKEN

Dr. de Castro (Brazil) and Dr. Pierre-Noël (Haiti) were unanimously elected Chairman and Vice-Chairman, respectively.

Dr. DE CASTRO took the Chair and expressed appreciation for this honor, in the name of the Government of Brazil and in his own.

3. MATTERS ENTRUSTED TO THE EXECUTIVE COINTITEE BY THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

The SECRETARY stated that no matters had been referred to the Committee by the Directing Council for consideration at this meeting. However, the Executive Committee, by virtue of Resolution XXIII of the Council, had been entrusted with the study of the technical discussions that are to take place at the XIV Pan American Sanitary Conference.

4. DATE OF THE 22nd MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The CHAIRMAN proposed that, in view of the fact that 1 April had been set as the maximum time limit for transmittal by the Governments of the four-year reports to be considered at the XIV Pan American

Sanitary Conference, he be authorized to fix the date of the 22nd Meeting of the Committee, in agreement with the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

DECISION TAKEN

It was unanimously agreed to authorize the Chairman of the 21st Meeting of the Executive Committee and the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to fix the date of the 22nd Meeting of the Executive Committee by common agreement.

5. OTHER MATTERS DISCUSSED

Dr. SEGURA (Argentina) asked how the Permanent Committee on the Revision of the Constitution is now constituted, one of its members, the Representative of Chile, having ceased to be a member of the Executive Committee.

The SECRETARY explained that the resolution adopted at the 15th Meeting of the Executive Committee designated the countries whose representatives were to compose the afore-mentioned Permanent Committee. It has so happened, for example, that the Representative of the United States, which was not a member of the Executive Committee in 1952 and 1953, has been a member of the Permanent Committee and is even its chairman. He added that the three members of the Permanent Committee reside in Washington, which made it possible for them to hold eleven meetings last year.

The SECRETARY then stated that on Monday morning the Members of the Directing Council would visit the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, at the invitation of the Director of that institution. The closing plenary session of the Directing Council would be held at 3:00 p.m. on the same day, at which time the Report of the Moderator for the Technical Discussions would be presented and the Final Report of the VII Meeting of the Directing Council would be read, approved, and signed.

Dr. PIERRE-NOEL (Haiti) expressed appreciation, on his own behalf and that of his country, at having been elected Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

The CHAIRMAN announced that the reading, approval, and signing of the Final Report of this 21st Meeting of the Executive Committee would take place on Monday afternoon, immediately after the closing session of the VII Meeting of the Directing Council.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.