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Topic 7: METHOD OF PREPARATION OF BUDGET

In Resolution II, paragraph 3, of the 25th Meeting of the Executive Committee, the Director was requested "to continue to study means of improving the presentation of the budget estimates and to report any further suggestions to a future meeting of the Executive Committee."

In his continued efforts to present the budget document in a clear, concise, and effective manner, the Director wishes to introduce a modification in the schedules, as approved by the Executive Committee in paragraph 2-e of the same resolution.

It is proposed that the schedules be rearranged in order to group the activities of the PASO on the left side of the page and those financed through WHO on the right side.

Previous budget documents did not reflect clearly this distinction between funds of the two Organizations.

Annex I is a sample of the rearrangement proposed by the Director to accomplish this distinction.

The Director feels that such a modification will improve the format of the budget document, in order to reflect clearly the activities planned with the regular budget of the PASO and with other funds which are actually under the administrative control of the PASB. "Other Funds" will include the Special Malaria Fund, the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center, the INCAP, and grants assigned to the Organization for specific purposes.

The column heretofore carried in the schedules under the heading "Other Extra Budgetary Funds" will be eliminated. The information regarding UNICEF contribution to activities undertaken in the Region of the Americas will, in the future, be presented as an annex to the budget document.

The two columns at the right, headed World Health Organization, are intended to group together activities planned in the Region of the Americas from the WHO regular budget and those from Technical Assistance funds administered by WHO and allotted to the PASB/WHO.

In view of the simplification that will derive from the proposed changes, the Executive Committee may wish to consider a resolution along the following lines:

Proposed Resolution

The Executive Committee.

Having considered the proposal of the Director to rearrange the schedules of the budget document in order to separate more distinctly activities planned to be financed from various sources of funds;

Being of the opinion that the format recommended by the Director will accomplish this purpose in a clear and concise manner; and

Considering further that the proposed change does not affect the basic principles in the form of presentation as recommended in the past-by the governing bodies,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To approve the changes recommended by the Director in the form of presentation of the budget document.
- 2. To make these changes effective with the presentation of the 1959 budget of the Organization.

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