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## FINANCING OF THE MALARIA ERADICATION PROGRAM IN THE AMERICAS

In resolution XX the Directing Council at its XVth Meeting resolved as follows:

- "l. To request the Director to consult with the Director-General of the World Health Organization with a view to finding an appropriate method of assuring the financing of the malaria eradication program in the Americas.
- 2. To request the Director to report on this subject to the 52nd Meeting of the Executive Committee."

In accordance with this resolution the Director immediately undertook consultations with the Director-General of WHO. As a result, the Director-General, bearing in mind the need for maintaining a fully effective program in the Americas, and taking into account the availability of funds for Malaria Eradication in the WHO Regular Budget as well as in the Malaria Eradication Special Account, decided to increase the WHO allocation for malaria eradication in the Americas.

The provision for malaria in the WHO regular budget of \$182,011 for 1964 (0.R.130) was increased in 1965 to \$256,355 and to \$333,287 in 1966 (0.R.138). For 1967 the Director-General has established \$469,000 as the target planning figure.

From the WHO Malaria Eradication Special Account the Director-General allocated \$683,214 for 1965 and \$605,559 in 1966. In the Report of the Executive Board on Review of the Proposed Program and Budget Estimates for 1966 (EB35/48) it was noted that the maintenance of the planned level for 1966 was dependent on the receipt of substantial additional voluntary contributions, the shortfall amounting to \$1,928,636. Nevertheless, availability of the above mentioned amount of \$605,559 for 1966 has been maintained in preparing the table shown below. In view of the potential deficit in the Special Account in 1966, however, it does not appear prudent to assume any funds from this source in 1967.

The actual and potentially available funds in relation to estimated requirements for the three year period 1965, 1966 and 1967 are summarized in the table presented on this page. From the table it will be noted that expected availability of funds is approximately equal to requirements for the 3 year period, assuming that voluntary contributions are maintained at the 1965 level. The Director will consult with Governments in the Americas, particularly with the Government of the United States of America which has contributed so generously to the PAHO Special Malaria Fund, with a view to assuring a level of voluntary contributions necessary to maintain an efficient program in future years. The Director will also continue to consult with the Director-General of WHO concerning the amount of funds which can be made available from the WHO budget.

Attention is invited to the fact that the figures in the table are based on estimates. It is impossible to foresee with any certainty the problems which may arise in future years. Although the program is proceeding in a successful manner when taken as a whole, there continue to arise special technical problems in certain areas. The nature, extent and duration of such problems, as well as their budgetary implications cannot be foreseen. Furthermore, experience and analyses made in the preparation of future plans have shown that special effort will be needed to bridge the gap between the eradication program and the creation of an adequate system of health centers to protect the efforts and financial investment in eradication by assuring surveillance in future years. It is expected, therefore that additional consultants will have to be added to promote coordination of the Malaria Eradication services with public health and medical care services, as well as to advise on the creation of new or expanded services. All of these factors will be reflected in the budgetary estimates which are presented from year to year. Likewise they will be taken into account in the consultations which the Director will carry out with Governments for voluntary contributions and with the Director-General of WHO.

FUND	1965	<u> 1966</u>	1967
PAHO SMF PAHO Regular WHO Regular WHO MESA WHO TA	1,800,000 <u>1/</u> 78,355 <u>3/</u> 256,355 <u>5/</u> 683,214 <u>5/</u> 86,300 <u>5</u> /	1,800,000 2/ 79,761 4/ 333,287 5/ 605,559 5/ 63,400 5/	1,800,000 <u>2/</u> 79,761 <u>4/</u> 469,000 <u>6/</u> -0- <u>7/</u> 63,400
TOTALS Est. Requirements Excess	2,904,224 <u>2,909,204</u> <u>8</u> / (4,980)	2,884,007 2,640,557 8/ 243,450	2,412,161 2,640,557 9/ (228,396)

<sup>1/</sup> U.S. Pledge for 1965.

 $<sup>\</sup>overline{2}$ / Assumes maintenance of 1965 level of voluntary contributions.  $\overline{3}$ / 0.D.52.

 $<sup>\</sup>overline{4}$ / CE52/3 - Revised estimate for 1966; assumes same level for 1967.

<sup>5/</sup> O.R.138. \*

<sup>6/</sup> Planning figure allocated for 1967 by Director-General of WHO.

 $<sup>\</sup>overline{7}$ / Assumes exhaustion of WHO MESA in 1966 according to estimates given to 35th WHO Executive Board.

<sup>8/</sup> Requirements shown in O.D.52, plus provision for problem area in Mexico shown under WHO MESA in O.R.138.

<sup>9/</sup> Assumes continuing requirements at 1966 level, including provision for problem areas.