



PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION
WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION



6th DIRECTING COUNCIL
4th SESSION OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE

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RESOLUTION

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**RETAINMENT, BY THE PERSONNEL OF INTERNATIONAL
INSTITUTIONS, OF THEIR POSITIONS, IN THEIR OWN
COUNTRIES**

THE 6th DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Considering that the fundamental purpose of the Pan American Sanitary Organization is to promote and coordinate efforts of the countries of the Western Hemisphere in order to combat disease, lengthen life, and promote the physical and mental health of the people;

Considering that the World Health Organization states, in Article 1 of its Constitution, that its objective shall be the attainment by all peoples of the highest possible level of health;

Considering that the accomplishment of these objectives requires the combined experience and knowledge of experts selected for their efficiency and integrity-experts working in an executive secretariat of a permanent nature, as is the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, the Regional Office of the World Health Organization;

Recognizing that due consideration should be given the international character of the staff and its geographical distribution, thus ensuring the participation of all the countries in the achievement of the aims pursued by the aforementioned organizations;

Considering that the activities of the international staff, in accordance with the principles that shape the efforts of the organizations, benefit all the countries of the Hemisphere;

Considering that the ultimate aim with regard to staff is the creation of an international career service of public health workers; and

Considering that a more effective performance of their duties would be assured if the experts could retain their positions in their own countries and remain subject to the legal provisions protecting civil servants,

RESOLVES

To instruct the Director to request the Member Governments to submit opinions on the question of retainment of positions in their own countries by the international staff of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, Regional Office of the World Health Organization.

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