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THIRD MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL, REGIONAL COMMITTEE, WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

Lima, Peru, October 13, 1949 FINAL REPORT

The Third Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Sanitary Organization was held in the City of Lima, Peru, from October 6 to 13, 1949, thus complying with a resolution of the Second Meeting, celebrated in Mexico City, in October, 1948, where the above city was designated as the seat of the Third Meeting by unanimous vote.

A preliminary session was held under the Chairmanship of Dr. Jorge Estrella Ruiz, Vice-Chairman of the Second Meeting; Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante, Secretary General of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, and Dr. Julio Muñoz Puglisevich, Coordinating Secretary for the Peruvian Delegation, acting as secretaries.

The Credentials Committee was then appointed. It was composed of the Delegates from Ecuador, El Salvador, and Haiti, and the following persons were accredited: Argentina, Dr. Alberto Zwanck, Delegate; Bolivia, Dr. Carlos Ferrufino, Delegate, y Dr. Walter Hugo Lizón, Observer; Brazil, Dr. Heitor Praguer Fróes, Delegate; Colombia, Dr. Jorge Cavelier, Delegate; Costa Rica, Dr. Fernando Escalante Pradilla, Delegate; Chile, Dr. Nacianceno Romero, Delegate; Dominican Republic, Dr. Amable Lugo Santos, Delegate; Ecuador, Dr. Egberto García Solórzano, Delegate, Dr. Luis Béjar Sánchez, Observer; El Salvador. Dr. Eduardo Barrientos, Delegate, Dr. Juan Allwood Paredes, Alternate, Dr. Roberto Cáceres Bustamante, Alternate; Haiti, Dr. Athemas Bellerive, Delegate; Mexico, Dr. José Zozaya, Delegate; Panama, Dr. Guillermo García de Paredes, Delegate; Paraguay, Dr. Fernando Vallejo, Delegate; Peru, Dr. Aníbal Alvarez López, Delegate, Dr. Jorge Estrella Ruiz, Alternate, Dr. Carlos Enrique Paz Soldán, Adviser, Dr. Jorge Arce Más, Adviser, Dr. Julio Velarde, Adviser, Dr. Julio Muñoz Puglisevich, Coordinating Secretary, Delegation of Peru, Dr. Enrique Villalobos, Assistant Secretary; Dr. Alberto Toranzo, Assistant Secretary, Dr. Ovidio García Rosell, Assistant Secretary, Dr. Benjamín Mostajo, Assistant Secretary; United States, Dr. Thomas Parran, Delegate, Dr. H. van Zile Hyde, Alternate, Mr. Howard B. Calderwood, Alternate, Miss Mary D. Forbes, Adviser, Dr. John S. Moorhead, Adviser, Dr. Clarence I. Sterling, Jr., Adviser; Venezuela, Dr. Carlos Luis González, Delegate, Dr. Ulpiano Madrid, Alternate, Dr. Francisco Gómez Padrón, Alternate; England, Dr. Joseph W. P. Harkness, Delegate; France, General Marcel Vaucel, Delegate, Professor Jacques Sautet, Alternate; Netherlands, Dr. H. H. Swellengrebel, Delegate, Dr. P. H. Hartz, Alternate, Dr. A. E. Wolff, Alternate; Pan American Sanitary Bureau, Regional Office, World Health Organization, Dr. Fred L. Soper, Director (Ex-officio Member); Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante, Secretary General; Dr. Anthony Donovan, Chief, Lima Office; Dr. Emilio Budnik, Public Health Division; Dr. I. M. Lourie, Tuberculosis Consultant; Dr. Benjamin Blood, Chief, Veterinary Section; Mrs. Agnes Chagas, Chief, Nursing Section.

Observers: Canada, Mr. J. M. Cook; Trinidad, Dr. Alfred Peat; World Health Organization, Dr. Brock Chisholm, Director-General, and Dr. Marcelino Pascua; Organization of American States, Mr. Manuel Canyes; Economic Commission for Latin America, Miss Maude Norman.

The following Member Governments did not send representatives: Cuba, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Uruguay.

Election of officers followed, the President and Vice-President being elected in accordance with Article 3 of the Rules of Procedure and of Debate. Dr. Aníbal Alvarez López and Dr. Nacianceno Romero were elected President and Vice-President, respectively.

The officers took their places formally, as follows:

President: Dr. Aníbal Alvarez López, Peru

Vice-President: Dr. Nacianceno Romero, Chile

Secretaries: The Secretary of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante, and the

Secretary of the Local Delegation: Dr. Jorge Estrella Ruiz

The Rules of Procedure and of Debate were approved without change. and the Working Committees were set up as follows:

I. PROGRAM, ADMINISTRATION AND BUDGET

Colombia (Chairman)

Mexico (Rapporteur)

Costa Rica

Peru

El Salvador

United States of America

II. RELATIONS

Brazil (Chairman)

Panama

Chile

Paraguav

Dominican Republic

United States of America

Venezuela (Rapporteur)

III. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL TO THE MEMBER GOVERNMENTS

Ecuador (Chairman)

El Salvador (Rapporteur)

IV. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

Argentina (Chairman) Haiti

Bolivia (Rapporteur) Venezuela

Ecuador

DRAFTING, VOTES AND RESOLUTIONS

Bolivia
El Salvador
Mexico
Peru
United States of America

And the Secretaries of the Directing Council: The Council: The Secretary General of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, and the Secretary of the Local Delegation.

On a motion made by the Delegate of Ecuador, seconded by the President of the Council, the following resolution was made in memory of Dr. John D. Long, recently deceased, for his constant and unselfish support and dedication to the service of continental health:

"WHEREAS:

The distinguished sanitarian, Dr. John D. Long, died in the City of Guayaquil on the 18th of September of this year;

The deceased gave nearly fifty years of excellent service on behalf of Latin American Health; and

He was a member of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for many years;

THE THIRD MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY ORGANIZATION,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To render posthumous homage to his memory by standing for a minute;
- 2. To communicate the present tribute to the family of the distinguished deceased; and
- To publish this tribute in the Boletín of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau."

In addition to the Preliminary Session, seven Plenary Sessions were held, as well as twenty-six Meetings of the Working Committees, three of the Drafting Committee and one Closing Session, in which the following resolutions were approved:

I. Program, Administration and Budget for 1950—Pan American Sanitary Bureau CD3.R1 EN

WHEREAS:

The Executive Committee, in its Final Report of the Eighth Meeting (Document CE8.L-17), in its first resolution on Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1950, submitted to the Directing

Council a budget for a global sum of \$2,000,000 (U. S. A.) with a statement of purposes and itemized classes;

The detailed study carried out during the sessions of the Committee on Program, Administration and Budget, and the discussions and deliberations on the program submitted on the different items of the budget have indicated that it is advisable to reduce the total amount of the budget and to introduce various modifications in the sections included in same; and

The present state of development of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau is such that modifications and reductions can be made in Classes I, II, and III of the Budget for 1950 without causing undue harm to the normal development of the specific activities of the Bureau,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

RESOLVES:

- 1. To approve the budget amounting to \$1,742,035.00 for the calendar year of 1950, with reductions of the proposed \$2,000,000 budget affecting:
 - (a) Class I in the sum of \$52,500.00, inasmuch as it is felt that 15% of the Headquarters Administration expenses, as set forth in the Director's proposed Budget, should appropriately be met by the World Health Organization, in addition to such other provision as the World Health Organization may make for meeting expenses of the administration of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau as Regional Office of the World Health Organization within Chapter 3.2 of the 1950 World Health Organization Budget;
 - (b) Class II in the sum of \$139,250.00, having approved the organization and establishment of two zone offices instead of four, which would have meant a new and more expanded program of finance; and
 - (c) Class III, in the sum of \$66,215.00, pertaining to justified reductions in the Procurement Division, and in the Food and Drug Section, which are expected to be duly covered by the World Health Organization's budget for the Regional Office of the Americas in the Western Hemisphere; and the Dental Section, inasmuch as it is considered that it is preferable to develop and properly organize present activities without the creation of new ones.
 - 2. To divide the Budget among the four Classes as follows:

I. Headquarters Administration	\$297,500.00
II. Zone Offices	141,900.00
III. Central Services, Field Work, and Fellowships	602,015.00
IV. Field Programs for the Control of Communicable	
Diseases	700,620.00
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The above items shall be applied for the financing of the program presented by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau (Document CE8.L-5) with such modifications as have been introduced by the Delegates.

3. To authorize the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to transfer funds from one to another of the above-mentioned items, provided that such transfers will not exceed 10% of the total of the item, informing the Executive Committee of such action promptly.

Sums in excess of the percentage indicated can be effected only when the Director obtains previous consent from a majority of the members of the Executive Committee.

4. To assign contributions for the collection of quotas on the basis established by Article No. 60 of the Pan American Sanitary Code.

The 1950 Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau shall be divided among the Member Governments in accordance with the schedule of contributions adopted by the Council of the Organization of American States for the Budget of the Pan American Union for the fiscal year 1949–1950.

II. PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU—EMERGENCY AND RESERVE FUNDS

WHEREAS:

CD3.R2 EN

The Directing Council of the Pan American Sanitary Organization, in its First Meeting in Buenos Aires, resolved:

- "4. To arrange for the allocation of the free balances of the budget items and the surplus of additional quotas for the creation of two funds:
 - (a) an emergency fund, to be used in case of the immediate solution of unforeseen emergency health problems;
 - (b) a reserve fund, allocated to insure the normal operations of the Bureau, to the financing of new programs or supplementing those already approved, or for any other purpose that the Directing Council may deem necessary."

The Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau considers, that in view of the disbursements made in 1948 and up to August of 1949, and the income of 1948 and 1949, it is opportune to determine the amount of the reserve and emergency funds for 1950.

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

RESOLVES:

1. To create the Emergency Fund from existing surplus at the end of the fiscal year of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, December 31, 1949, the sum of \$50,000 shall be set aside and deposited in dollars (U. S. A.) in a bank in Washington, D. C., and this fund shall be ad-

ministered by the Director or by his authorized representative. Reimbursement to the Emergency Fund shall be made by refunding through payments from countries who may receive materials for emergency services, or by orders approved by the Executive Committee chargeable to the general funds of the Bureau. The Executive Committee and the Directing Council shall receive reports pertaining to the use of such funds.

2. To create a Reserve Fund from all free balances of Bureau cash available at the end of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau's fiscal year, December 31, 1949; and any contributions to the budget of 1949 or previous years received during 1950 be set aside in the Reserve Fund of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, to be used as a working capital fund pending decision as to its disposal and the establishment of a permanent Working Capital Fund by the 1950 Pan American Sanitary Conference. This amount shall be deposited in dollars, or in the form of interest-bearing bonds, in a Washington, D. C. (U. S. A.) bank, and the transfer of funds to operating bank accounts of the Bureau will be made in each instance with the specific authorization of the Director. The Executive Committee and the Directing Council shall receive the reports on the use made of said fund.

III. PROGRAM AND BUDGET OF THE REGIONAL OFFICE OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION FOR 1950

WHEREAS:

CD3.R3 EN

Under terms of the Constitution of the World Health Organization and the Agreement between the Pan American Sanitary Organization and the World Health Organization signed on May 24, 1949, the Directing Council of the Pan American Sanitary Organization met as the World Health Organization Regional Committee for the Americas on October 12, 1949, and representatives of the United Kingdom, France, and the Netherlands enjoyed full privileges; and

A relationship was demonstrated between the program and budget of the World Health Organization and of the Pan American Sanitary Organization, after a study of the documents of the Program and Budget for 1950 approved by the Second Assembly of the World Health Organization, the Program and Budget for 1950 of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, and the Third Resolution, paragraph 1, of the Executive Committee at its Eighth Meeting,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL, AS REGIONAL COMMITTEE RESOLVES:

1. To recommend to the World Health Organization that it establish, in the Regional Office, sections on Tuberculosis, Malaria, Venereal Disease, Maternal and Child Health and Environmental Sanitation,

and that, through such sections, the Regional Director consult with Member Governments in order to develop active programs of technical assistance in these fields.

- 2. To recommend to the World Health Organization that an appropriate portion of its fellowship funds be allotted to the Region of the Americas, and that, in the administration of such funds, consideration be given to the value of training in existing schools and institutions in all parts of the Americas.
- IV. RESOLUTION ON THE PARTICIPATION OF GOVERNMENTS WITH NON-SELE-GOVERNING STATES OR TERRITORIES IN THE REGION OF THE

AMERICAS

CD3.R4 EN

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

RESOLVES:

That the financial participation of France, Great Britain, the Netherlands, Denmark, and their Dependent Territories, shall be the object of correspondence between the Regional Director and Metropolitan Governments, the Director presenting the Executive Committee with the result of his investigations, the Executive Committee being further requested to present a statement to the XIII Conference with recommendations relating to this matter.

V. PROGRAM AND BUDGET OF THE REGIONAL OFFICE OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION FOR 1951 CD3.R5 EN

WHEREAS:

There exists in the Region of the Americas the Pan American Sanitary Organization, which carries out its own programs, and has, in addition, an appropriate office engaged in health administration;

The programs can be readily developed because of the geography of the Region and the similarity of health problems that exist in this group of nations; and

It is advisable to take advantage of the existing technical, economic, and administrative services that the Bureau can render to both organizations, by coordinating the programs to be carried out in the Region with those of the World Health Organization,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL, AS REGIONAL COMMITTEE RESOLVES:

- 1. To recommend that the Regional Director, in submitting the program and budget for 1951 to the Director-General of the World Health Organization, take into account the above considerations as they apply to the general policies for this Region; and
- 2. To recommend that the Regional Director likewise consider the requests of Member Governments in certain specific instances.

CD3.R6 EN

VI. PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU STAFF RULES WHEREAS:

The Report presented by the Special Committee appointed by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to comply with Provision No. 1, Resolution IV, of the Resolutions adopted by the Executive Committee in its Seventh Meeting (Document CE7.W-17), contains recommendations which provide for staff rules of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau; and

The Executive Committee of the Pan American Sanitary Organization, at its Eighth Meeting, presented to the Directing Council the recommendations resulting from the detailed study of the problem,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

RESOLVES:

- 1. That the Pan American Sanitary Bureau adopt the Staff Rules and Regulations of the World Health Organization duly modified and set forth in Document CE8.L-7, with the following exceptions: Articles 20, 27, and 28; Rules 550, 610, 852, 853, 1111 and 1120; and all of Section 1000 which does not apply in the case of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.
- 2. That the Director of the Bureau continue the studies and negotiations now being made regarding pensions, compensations, and an Administrative Tribunal.
- 3. That the Executive Committee be authorized to make a decision regarding the Articles and Rules mentioned in paragraph No. 1, when all the pertinent information mentioned in said paragraph has been obtained.
- 4. That until the Executive Committee comes to a decision regarding the above-mentioned paragraph,
 - (a) the employees of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau continue to participate in the Pension Plan of the Pan American Union,
 - (b) continue with the present Insurance Plan for Employees, and
 - (c) that no provision be made with regard to the Administrative Tribunal.

VII. DETERMINATION OF A PERMANENT SITE FOR THE PAN AMERICAN CD3.R7 EN SANITARY BUREAU

WHEREAS:

The Executive Committee, in its Seventh and Eighth Meetings, considered the need for the construction of a building in Washington to house the Pan American Sanitary Bureau;

The Executive Committee, in its Eighth Meeting, realizing that the determination of a permanent site for the Pan American Sanitary Bureau takes precedence over plans for construction, modified Topic IV

on the Tentative Agenda of the Directing Council to read "Permanent Site of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau"; and

The conditions under which the Pan American Sanitary Bureau was organized 47 years ago are not the same;

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

RESOLVES:

- 1. To place the question of the selection of a permanent site for the Pan American Sanitary Bureau on the Agenda of the XIII Pan American Sanitary Conference, to be held in Ciudad Trujillo, Dominican Republic, in 1950 for final study and decision; and
- 2. To appoint a committee to study the question thoroughly and to report thereon to the Conference.

VIII. CANADA'S PARTICIPATION

CD3.R8 EN

WHEREAS:

The XII Pan American Sanitary Conference of Caracas, Venezuela, recognized Canada as a Member of future Pan American Sanitary Conferences;

The Executive Committee expressed the wish for the incorporation of Canada into the Pan American Sanitary Organization as soon as possible.

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

RESOLVES:

To confirm the VII Resolution of the Executive Committee (Document CES.L-17), expressing also its wish that the incorporation of Canada into the Pan American Sanitary Organization be effected as soon as possible.

IX. Participation of the Governments Responsible for the Conduct of the International Relations of Territories in the Western Hemisphere CD3.R9 EN

WHEREAS:

The Executive Committee, in Resolution VIII of its Eighth Meeting, recommended that the Directing Council resolve the manner in which Denmark, France, the Netherlands, and the United Kingdom will participate in the Directing Council, and after study of the resolution adopted by the Second World Health Assembly, and consideration of the statements made by the Observers from France, the Netherlands, and the territories in the Western Hemisphere under the jurisdiction of the United Kingdom,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

RESOLVES:

To invite States Members of the World Health Organization not having their seats of government within the Western Hemisphere, which "(a) either by reason of their Constitution consider certain territories or groups of territories in the Western Hemisphere as part of their national territory, or (b) are responsible for the conduct of the international relations of territories or groups of territories within the Hemisphere," to participate on the same basis as the American Republics in meetings of the Directing Council as Regional Committee of the World Health Organization.

CD3.R10 EN X. UNICEF-WHO-PASO PROGRAM IN LATIN AMERICA WHEREAS:

The Executive Committee, in its Eighth Meeting, reported that the countries considered in the UNICEF-WHO-PASO programs are being visited by representatives of the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) and of the Regional Office of the World Health Organization, in order to draw up agreements between the Governments and the UNICEF for carrying out the programs recommended by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau; and

The final approval of UNICEF of these plans should be given by the Directing Council of UNICEF about November 1, 1949;

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

RESOLVES:

To record with pleasure the report of the Executive Committee with respect to the programs which should be carried out in Latin America with funds provided by UNICEF.

CD3.R11 EN

XI. AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY ORGANIZATION AND THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES

WHEREAS:

Consideration was given to Resolution IX of the Executive Committee in its Eighth Meeting (Document CE8.L-17), the Report of the Sub-Committee on International Organization of the Council of the Organization of American States, and the Draft Agreement between the Pan American Sanitary Organization and the Organization of American States as it was approved on October 5, by the Executive Committee:

The Articles of the Charter of the Organization of American States concerning the Inter-American Specialized Organizations were kept in mind; and

Consideration was given also to the Articles of the Constitution of the World Health Organization concerning the relations between the Pan American Sanitary Organization and the World Health Organization, and the Agreement signed on May 24, 1949, between these two Organizations which provides that the Directing Council and the Pan American Sanitary Bureau shall serve as Regional Committee and Regional Office respectively, of the World Health Organization;

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

RESOLVES:

- 1. To approve the Draft Agreement between the Pan American Sanitary Organization and the Organization of American States as set forth in Annex 1 of this Final Report.
- 2. To request the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to transmit a copy of this Draft Agreement to the Council of the Organization of American States.
- 3. To authorize the Director to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Pan American Sanitary Organization upon its acceptance by the Council of the Organization of American States.
- 4. To appoint a Sub-Committee of three Members of the Executive Committee, whose names appear in Annex No. 2, to negotiate with the appropriate representatives of the Council of the Organization of American States, with a view to obtaining an agreement on any points of difference, which may be acceptable to the two Organizations concerned, in the event that the Council of the Organization of American States does not accept the above-mentioned Draft Agreement approved by the Directing Council. In any such negotiations the said Sub-Committee shall bear in mind the discussion of the Agreement which took place in the Meeting of the Directing Council.
- 5. To request the Sub-Committee to submit a report on the negotiations to the Tenth Meeting of the Executive Committee, if necessary.
- 6. To authorize the Executive Committee to give final approval on behalf of the Pan American Sanitary Organization to an Agreement with the Organization of American States.

XII. OATH OF THE DIRECTOR

CD3.R12 EN

WHEREAS:

Consideration was given to the Terms of Article 19 (b) of the Constitution of the Pan American Sanitary Organization, and of Article 37 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization concerning the international character of its personnel,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL RESOLVES:

To interpret the Oath of Office of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau as allowing him, in matters pertaining to the work of the World Health Organization, to take instructions from that Organization.

CD3.R13 EN XIII. SITE AND DATE OF THE IV MEETING WHEREAS:

The XII Pan American Sanitary Conference, held in Caracas, Venezuela, in January, 1947, resolved that the XIII Pan American Sanitary Conference would be held in Guatemala in 1950;

The Government of Guatemala has officially announced that it cannot accept the responsibility of the XIII Pan American Sanitary Conference; and

Article 11 of the Rules of Procedure and of Debate of the Directing Council of the Pan American Sanitary Organization, establishes that the Directing Council is to determine the site of the next Meeting,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

RESOLVES:

That the Fourth Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Sanitary Organization shall take place immediately before or jointly with the XIII Pan American Sanitary Conference, to be held in Ciudad Trujillo, in the Dominican Republic.

CD3.R14 EN XIV. OFFICIAL SEAL

WHEREAS:

The Pan American Sanitary Organization has no official seal for its documents, correspondence, or other matters prescribed by law; and

The Pan American Sanitary Bureau has been using a seal, the facsimile of which appears on its publications, correspondence, reports, and other printed material, which has not been officially adopted:

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

RESOLVES:

To approve and adopt, as the official seal of the Pan American Sanitary Organization, the seal used at present on documents of the Pan American Bureau, recommending, also, that said seal remain in the custody of the Office of the Secretary General.

XV. Pan American Conferences of National Directors of Health

WHEREAS:

CD3.R15 EN

The Executive Committee of the Pan American Sanitary Organization has recommended that the Directing Council express its views on the realization of future Pan American Conferences of National Directors of Health; and

The present constitutional structure of the Pan American Sanitary Organization provides for a supreme organ of government, the Pan American Sanitary Conference, which is convened every four years and serves as a clearing-house for the exchange of information and ideas concerning the prevention of diseases and the preservation, promotion, and restitution of physical and mental health, and further provides for annual meetings of its Directing Council,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

RESOLVES:

- 1. To recommend to the XIII Pan American Sanitary Conference, to be held in 1950, that it express a conclusive opinion on the advisability of abolishing the periodical meetings of the National Directors of Health, in order to avoid useless duplication of effort on the part of the Member States; and
- 2. To advise the Member States to present, at each Pan American Sanitary Conference, a written report, preferably of statistical nature, on the work accomplished between Conferences.

XVI. PAN AMERICAN AND INTER-AMERICAN MEDICAL CONGRESSES WHEREAS: CD3.R16 EN

It is absolutely necessary to establish adequate standards for organizing national, international, and Pan American medical congresses, whether official or semi-official, in order to secure greater benefits through coordination and to avoid duplication of efforts,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL RECOMMENDS:

- 1. That, in the organization of their work, the National Medical Congresses adopt the standards set forth by the Coordinating Council of Medical Congresses established in Brussels; and
- 2. That the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau submit to the XIII Pan American Sanitary Conference a draft of rules for Inter-American or Pan American Sanitary Conferences, official or semi-official.

CD3.R17 EN

XVII. PAN AMERICAN HEALTH DAY

WHEREAS:

The World Health Organization in its Second Assembly has designated April 7 as World Health Day;

Most of the Member States of the Pan American Sanitary Organization belong to the World Health Organization, and therefore are subject to the decisions made by it; and

The Executive Committee of the Pan American Sanitary Organization has recommended the approval of the celebration of Pan American Health Day jointly with the World Health Day; and has indicated that the American States cannot and must not forget the great significance in the History of Continental Health of the date of December 2, 1902, when the First Pan American Conference was held,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

RESOLVES:

- 1. To approve the celebration of World Health Day on April 7; and
- 2. To remind its Member States that December 2, 1902, is the date when the activities of the Pan American Sanitary Organization were nitiated.

CD3.R18 EN XVIII. CERTIFICATES OF IMMUNIZATION AGAINST YELLOW FEVER WHEREAS:

In accordance with Resolution XV adopted by the Seventh Meeting of the Executive Committee, held in Washington from May 23–30, 1949, the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau exchanged views with the Representatives of the Government of Portugal, during the Second World Health Assembly (Rome, June–July, 1949), and that said Representatives based the demand for a certificate of vaccination or immunization against yellow fever on the fact that Aëdes aegypti exists in the airports of Dakar and Lisbon where airships from South America make regular stops; and

Since urban yellow fever has not existed on the American Continent for many years, and while it is necessary to defend the principles established in matters of international prophylaxis, the sanitary measures need not inconsiderately hinder the transportation of passengers,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

RESOLVES:

To instruct the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to take the necessary official steps to secure the abolition of the requirement of a certificate of vaccination against yellow fever by the Government of Portugal with regard to passengers departing from urban centers in America.

XIX. PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE THE DIRECTING COUNCIL CD3.R19 EN RESOLVES:

To recommend to the Governments of the American States comprising the Executive Committee that its Delegates to this Body be, if possible, the same persons who attended the session when such countries were elected, in order to maintain unity of purpose in dealing with the problems confronted by the Committee, and in order that the deliberations can render the most satisfactory results for the benefit of the health in America.

XX. Annual Report of the Directing Council to the Member Governments CD3.R20 EN

After hearing the draft of the annual report presented by Committee III,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL RESOLVES:

To approve this Report, which will be sent to the Member Governments, in accordance with the dispositions of Sub-Division E of Article VIII of the Constitution of the Pan American Sanitary Organization.

XXI. PERIODICAL MEETINGS OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL AND OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CD3.R21 EN

The Directing Council expressed its opinion in favor of holding Meetings of the Directing Council every two years, one regular annual Meeting of the Executive Committee, and in case of necessity, a special Meeting of the Committee to be convened by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, and including this matter in the Agenda of the XIII Pan American Sanitary Conference for study and eventual amendment of the pertinent articles of the Constitution of the Pan American Sanitary Organization now in effect.

CD3.R22 EN XXII. Election of Member Countries to the Executive Committee

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL elected El Salvador, the United States of America, and Peru to fill the vacancies on the Executive Committee created by the termination of the periods of office of Brazil, Costa Rica, and Mexico.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT CD3.R23 EN

The Directing Council, on the Peruvian Delegation's suggestion, which was unanimously seconded by all the other Delegations, renders fervent homage to the memory of the Director Emeritus of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, General Hugh S. Cumming, who died on December

20, 1948. General Cumming's death marked the passing of the preeminent figure of his generation in international health agencies.

The Directing Council likewise renders homage to the memory of its Honorary Member, Dr. Luis Gaitán, whose demise occurred in Guatemala on July 21, 1949. Upon his death, the Pan American Sanitary Bureau lost the first of its honorary members and one of its most sincere and devoted friends.

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The Directing Council of the Pan American Sanitary Organization presents its expressions of gratitude to the Presidente de la Junta Militar de Gobierno, General Manuel A. Odría, to the Minister of Public Health, and to the Director of Public Health of Peru, as well as to the technical personnel of said Ministry and Department, for the interest shown in the work of the Pan American Sanitary Organization and the generous hospitality extended to each and every one of the Delegations of the American Republics which compose the Directing Council.

The Directing Council of the Pan American Sanitary Organization expresses its appreciation:

to the Mayor of the City of Lima and to the Members of the Municipal Council, for the honor accorded the Representatives of the American Republics in declaring them "distinguished guests" of the City of Lima;

to the Lima press, for the reporting of the concepts of social well-being and American Solidarity that guided at all times the deliberations of the Directing Council of the Pan American Sanitary Organization;

to the members of the Peruvian Delegation, and to the public and private institutions of the City of Lima for the generous and cordial reception extended to the Delegates and Observers which contributed to making their stay in Lima most pleasant;

to all the Peruvian secretarial personnel and that of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, who have cooperated with unselfish devotion in the arduous tasks they have had assigned to them during the Meetings of the Directing Council of the Pan American Sanitary Organization; and

to extend a vote of confidence and admiration to Dr. Fred L. Soper and to Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante, for their work in directing the activities of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

This Final Report was signed in the City of Lima, Peru, on the thirteenth day of October of the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine, for:

Argentina Bolivia Brazil Canada Alberto Zwanck, ad referendum Dr. Carlos Ferrufino Heitor P. Fróes Colombia

Costa Rica Chile

F. Escalante P. N. Romero

Denmark

Dominican Republic Dr. A. Lugo S. Ecuador

Dr. Egberto García

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