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Topic 32: ACQUISITION OF INSECTICIDES FOR PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRAMS

By virtue of Article 14-c of the Rules of Procedure of the Directing Council, the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau has included the above topic on the Draft Agenda of the VII Meeting of the Directing Council, in conformity with the wish expressed by the Government of Chile in letter of 30 July 1953, as follows:

"Santiago, 30 July 1953

"Dr. Fred L. Soper, Director  
Pan American Sanitary Bureau  
Washington, D. C.

"Dear Doctor Soper:

"As you will recall, at the IV Official Meeting of the International Control Committee for the Sanitary Agreement between Bolivia, Chile, and Peru, held recently in the City of Arica, there was a full discussion of the difficulties arising on certain occasions in the acquisition of insecticides, either because of the need to arrange for foreign exchange priorities, preferential rates, and exemption from import duties in countries where such problems exist, or because of export restrictions in the producing countries.

"Therefore, in conformity with a resolution adopted at the aforesaid Meeting, I wish to request that this topic be included on the agenda of the next meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Sanitary Organization so as to enable the Council to adopt a resolution designed to facilitate the acquisition of insecticides by the public health services.

Very truly yours,

(signed) Dr. Hernán Urzúa M.  
Director General of the National Health Service."



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Resolution Proposed by the  
Representative of Chile

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

CONSIDERING:

The communication of the Director General of the National Health Service of Chile concerning the difficulties that arise on certain occasions in the acquisition of insecticides, because of the need to arrange for exchange priorities, preferential exchange rates, and exemption from import duties, or because of export restrictions in the producer countries;

Resolution WHA 4-30 approved by the IV World Health Assembly and Resolution XXXVI adopted at the V Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Sanitary Organization, as well as the decisions adopted at the III and IV Meetings of the Control Committee for the Sanitary Agreement between Bolivia, Chile, and Peru, which refer to various aspects of this subject;

The need to continue to promote the use of insecticides on an increasingly wide scale, because of their proven efficacy in the prevention of numerous diseases that seriously affect certain countries of the Americas, with obvious repercussions on economic and social conditions; and

The export controls sometimes established by the producer countries for these substances,

RESOLVES:

1. To recommend to the Member Countries that they inform the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, before the month of December of each year, of the annual quotas of insecticides they will require for the execution of their campaigns.

2. To request the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to continue to negotiate with the Governments of the countries producing insecticides, with a view to securing the facilities necessary for the exportation of insecticides without any restrictions.

3. To recommend to the Member Countries of the Pan American Sanitary Organization that they grant exchange priorities, preferential exchange rates and exemption from import duties for insecticides, on a permanent basis, as a means of contributing greatly toward improving the economic and social conditions of their peoples.

4. To express once more, on behalf of the Pan American Sanitary Organization, a vote of thanks to the Governments of all countries producing insecticides for the cooperation they have given in this matter.



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The draft resolutions on topics 32 and 33, proposed by the Representative of Chile, make reference to resolutions adopted at the III and IV Meetings of the Control Committee for the Sanitary Agreement between Bolivia, Chile, and Peru. The text of these resolutions follows:

III Meeting, La Paz, Bolivia, March 1952

- (11) It was resolved to request the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to approach the Governments of signatory countries that encounter problems of this nature, with a view to securing exchange priorities, preferential exchange rates, and exemption from import duties for the acquisition of insecticides by public health agencies.
- (12) It was agreed to request the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to approach the commercial airlines maintaining air service between the signatory countries, with a view to obtaining transportation facilities and shipping priorities for materials to be used in fulfilling the purposes of the Agreement.

IV Meeting, Arica, Chile, July 1953

5. The IV Official Meeting resolves to place before the Representatives of their respective Governments to the Directing Council of the Pan American Sanitary Organization, the problems concerning exchange priorities, preferential exchange rates, and exemption from import duties for the acquisition of insecticides by public health agencies, in conformity with Resolution 11 of the III Official Meeting at La Paz.

The same decision is adopted with respect to Resolution 12 of the III Meeting, so that both resolutions may be included on the Agenda of the Pan American Sanitary Conference in 1954.