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3. **Topic 3**: Election of Chairman and two Vice-Chairmen

4. **Topic 4**: Establishment of Main Committees

5. **Topic 5**: Adoption of the Agenda and Program of Meetings

6. **Topic 6**: Annual Report of the Chairman of the Executive Committee

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2. Topic 15: Provisional Financial Regulations

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9. Topic 32: Designation of external auditor(s)

10. Report on pending topics on the Agenda

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SUMMARY RECORD OF THE FIRST PLENARY SESSION

Monday, 24 September 1951, at 10:15 a.m.

Temporary Chairman: Dr. Ricardo Cappeletti Uruguay
Chairman: Dr. Naciancono Romero Chile
Vice-Chairmen: Dr. Leonardo Somarriba Nicaragua
Dr. Hugó Peña Paraguay
Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante Pan American Sanitary Bureau

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   c) General Committee

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6. **Topic 6**: Annual Report of the Chairman of the Executive Committee (Document CD5/33)


8. **Topic 8**: Appointment of a committee to draft the Annual Report of the Directing Council to the Participating Governments
1. **TOPIC 1: OPENING BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE IV MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL**

Dr. Ricardo Cappelletti, Chairman of the IV Meeting of the Directing Council, opened the V Meeting and after welcoming the Representatives and Observers, he extended a special greeting to Dr. Alberto Lleras Camargo, Secretary General, and Dr. William Manger, Assistant Secretary General of the Organization of American States; to the Representatives of the United Nations and of the World Health Organization, and the observers of specialized and non-governmental organizations. The Chairman spoke as follows:

"Barely a year ago, at the Opening Session of the XIII Pan American Sanitary Conference in Ciudad Trujillo, I had occasion to express a few ideas relative to the conditions of our peoples and the hopes they placed on the action of all men working in various fields for their welfare and progress. During the IV Meeting of the Directing Council in Ciudad Trujillo, I made some remarks concerning the World Health Organization, which perhaps were not altogether fair, and which today, after having taken part in the work of the Organization and having seen what is being done there and how it operates, I do not hesitate to rectify. But at the same time, I wish to point out more emphatically than ever that the best way to support the activities of the World Health Organization is increasingly to strengthen and develop our Pan American Sanitary Organization. It is not a provincial or regional spirit that prompts me to express this thought but the absolute conviction that no one can understand and solve his problems better than the person concerned. Our Organization's approaching fiftieth anniversary, which finds it making real progress toward increasing prosperity, should serve as an example to the countries of other continents that are still in doubt about organizing and establishing regional offices of the nature and with the technical administrative standards that we have. It is not to be expected that the World Health Organization, with its present resources, can solve the public health problems of the whole world. We must accustom ourselves to having that international health agency be the guiding institute in such matters, the coordinating organ that will give us assistance principally in the technical field, for the solution of our health problems."

The Chairman thereupon summed up the work accomplished during the past few years, and concluded:
"Today we are meeting for the fifth time, with an Agenda of 29 topics before us, some of which are of great interest, such as programs and budgets; the study of the International Sanitary Regulations, which have already been approved by the World Health Organization and which we must now consider in order to give definitive counsel to our governments, since no one can question the importance of these regulations as a factor in simplifying international public health legislation and as an instrument for regulating quarantine measures; the revision of our Constitution, etc. All the topics will be discussed with great interest, and I have no doubt that, given the recognized ability and diligence of the representatives, we shall arrive at conclusions and adopt resolutions that will be just and of benefit to our peoples.

"In welcoming you, therefore, I hope that these desires will be fulfilled and that when we return to our countries we shall be able to tell our superiors that we have performed our duty."

The Representative of the United States, on his own behalf and that of his Government, extended a welcome to the Representatives.

2. TOPIC 2: ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

The Representative of Argentina moved that the Council delegate authority to the Chairman to appoint the members of this Committee.

DECISION TAKEN

This motion was unanimously approved and the Chairman appointed the Representatives of Ecuador, Guatemala and Venezuela to the Committee.

3. TOPIC 3: ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND TWO VICE-CHAIRMEN

The Representative of Cuba nominated Dr. Nacianceno Romero (Chile) for Chairman; and for Vice-Chairmen Drs. Hugo Peña (Paraguay) and Leonardo Somarriba (Nicaragua). The Representatives of Argentina, the Dominican Republic, Guatemala and the United States seconded the nominations.

DECISION TAKEN

The nominations were unanimously approved.

Dr. Nacianceno Romero (Chile) took the Chair. He thanked the Representatives for his election on behalf of his country and himself, and requested their collaboration in achieving results which would be beneficial to the public health of all the countries.
4. **TOPIC 4: ESTABLISHMENT OF MAIN COMMITTEES**
   
a) Committee I: Program and Budget  
b) Committee II: Administration, Finance and Legal Matters  
c) General Committee  

The Representative of Uruguay nominated the Representative of Argentina for Chairman of Committee I, and the Representative of the United States for Chairman of Committee II.

**DECISION TAKEN**

The nominations were unanimously approved.

The Chairman requested candidates to complete the General Committee. The Representative of Argentina nominated the Representatives of Brazil and Venezuela.

**DECISION TAKEN**

The nominations were unanimously approved.

5. **TOPIC 5: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND PROGRAM OF MEETINGS** (Documents CD5/1 - Rev. 2, and CD5/2)

The Representative of the United States requested that the revision of the Rules of Procedure be included as a new topic (Topic 42) on the Agenda.

This proposal was approved.

The Representative of Cuba pointed out that some of the decisions taken by the Executive Committee were not included in the Agenda, and requested that a new item (Topic 43) under the title "Proposals of the Executive Committee" be included.

The Representatives of the Dominican Republic and the United States took part in the discussion.

The proposal was approved.

**DECISION TAKEN**

The Agenda and Program of Meetings, with the proposed additions, were approved.
6. **TOPIC 6:** ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
(Document CD5/33)

Dr. Luis F. Galich, Chairman of the 13th Meeting of the Executive Committee, read his report, covering the period of his term of office.1/

Dr. H. van Zile Hyde, the present Chairman of the Executive Committee, in advance of the distribution of the Report to be circulated in due course, summarized and explained the resolutions adopted at the 14th Meeting.

The Chairman congratulated Dr. van Zile Hyde, the Representative of the United States, on his clear explanation and stated that he would be very happy to receive the written report.

7. **TOPIC 7:** REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU  
(Document CD5/18 and Annex I)

The Director gave additional information concerning his report.

The Representatives of Brazil and the United States congratulated Dr. Soper on his report. The Representative of Cuba also congratulated him and gave some explanations concerning health education.

The Representative of the Netherlands spoke on the preparation in Surinam of vaccines against yellow fever.

The Chairman congratulated the Director on his study and thanked him on behalf of the Council for his excellent work.2/

8. **TOPIC 8:** APPOINTMENT OF A COMMITTEE TO DRAFT THE ANNUAL REPORT OF  
THE DIRECTING COUNCIL TO THE PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENTS

Suggestions were received from the Representatives of Bolivia and Guatemala and from the Chairman.

**DECISION TAKEN**

The following Committee was elected:

- Dr. H. van Zile Hyde, United States
- Dr. Luis F. Galich, Guatemala
- Dr. Jorge Boshell-Manrique, Colombia
- Dr. Kestner Saint-Louis, Haiti

The session was adjourned at 12:41 p.m.


2/ Ibid, Resolution II.
SUMMARY RECORD OF THE SECOND PLENARY SESSION

Monday, 24 September 1951, at 3:20 p.m.

Chairman: Dr. Nacianceno Romero Chile
Vice-Chairmen: Dr. Leonardo Somarriba Nicaragua
               Dr. Hugo Peña Paraguay
Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante Pan American Sanitary Bureau

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9. Assignment of topics to Committees I and II, and to plenary sessions

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The Chairman announced the decisions taken at the first session of the General Committee, held immediately after adjournment of the First Plenary Session, and enumerated the topics to be discussed in Committees I and II and those to be discussed directly in plenary session, as follows:

COMMITTEE I (PROGRAM AND BUDGET): Topics 12, 21, 22, 28, 33, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, and 41. (Document CD5/1, Rev. 2)

COMMITTEE II (ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE, AND LEGAL MATTERS): Topics 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 25, 29, 30, 31, 32 (Document CD5/1, Rev. 2), and 42 (Revision of the Rules of Procedure)

PLENARY SESSION: Topics 9, 10, 11, 20, 26, 27, 34 (Document CD5/1, Rev. 2), and 43 (Proposals of the Executive Committee)

The Representative of Cuba suggested that since Topic 42 (Revision of the Rules of Procedure) was very similar to the topics to be discussed in plenary session, it should be transferred to plenary session.

The Representative of the United States explained why this topic had been assigned to Committee II for discussion.
When the question was put to the vote, the result was a tie.

The Representative of the United States withdrew his suggestion that this topic be discussed in Committee II.

DECISION TAKEN

It was agreed to transfer Topic 42 to the list of topics to be discussed in plenary session.

The session was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.
SUMMARY RECORD OF THE THIRD PLENARY SESSION

Tuesday, 25 September 1951, at 3:17 p.m.

Chairman: Dr. Nacianceno Romero
Vice-Chairmen: Dr. Leonardo Somarriba
Dr. Hugo Peña

Secretary: Dr. Iguel E. Bustamante

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10. **Topic 9**: Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1952, submitted by the Executive Committee (Document CD5/4)

11. First Report of the Committee on Credentials (Document CD5/52)

12. **Topic 10**: Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1953 (Documents CD5/25, CE14/12)

On behalf of the Directing Council, the Chairman extended a welcome to the Representative of the World Health Organization and to the Representative of Mexico.


The Secretary read Resolutions I, II and III of the 14th Meeting of the Executive Committee (Document CE14/20, Rev. 2), submitting the Proposed Program and Budget to the Directing Council for consideration.

The following took part in the discussion: the Representatives of Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, France, the Netherlands, Panama and the United States, and the Director and Assistant Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

The Representative of Bolivia proposed that the Proposed Program and Budget for 1952 be approved in its present form.
The Secretary read the Proposed Appropriations Resolution (Document CD5/4, Page 8).

The Representative of El Salvador called attention to the fact that, owing to circumstances of a financial nature, the budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau should be reconciled to those of other international organizations.

The Representative of Cuba concurred in the view expressed by the Representative of El Salvador. Furthermore, he proposed deletion of paragraph V of the Proposed Appropriations Resolution since he believed that paragraph IV contained all the necessary provisions to cover the subject of decentralization.

The Representative of Ecuador seconded, in principle, the motion of the Representative of Cuba and stated that he felt that in any event paragraph V could be changed to limit transfers to Parts II and III.

The proposal of the Representative of Cuba was put to the vote.

DECISION TAKEN

1. The proposal of the Representative of Cuba to delete paragraph V was approved by a majority vote.

2. The Proposed Program and Budget for 1952, submitted by the Executive Committee, was unanimously approved.3


The Representative of Venezuela read the First Report of the Committee on Credentials, and proposed that the credentials be accepted.

DECISION TAKEN

The credentials were unanimously accepted.

12. TOPIC 10: PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU FOR 1953 (Documents CD5/25, CE14/12)

The Representative of Argentina proposed that consideration of this topic be postponed, since he believed that the opinions of the various governments should first be ascertained.

3/ Ibid, Resolution III.
The Representative of Panama proposed that, in view of the difficult task which the Pan American Sanitary Bureau has in preparing this budget, the Directing Council approve the Proposed Budget, in principle, ad referendum, as a basis for the future Proposed Program and Budget for 1953.

The Representative of Ecuador supported the proposal of the Representative of Panama, but suggested it be changed to state that this Proposed Budget would serve as a basis for ascertaining the opinions of the various governments.

The Representatives of Argentina and Panama agreed to this change.

The following took part in the discussion: the Representatives of Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Mexico, Panama, Peru, the United States, and Venezuela, and the Director of the Bureau.

The Representative of the United States moved that this proposal be drafted with care and submitted at tomorrow's meeting, if possible.

**DECISION TAKEN**

The proposal of the Representative of the United States was unanimously approved.

The session was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.
SUMMARY RECORD OF THE FOURTH PLENARY SESSION

Wednesday, 26 September 1951, at 10:30 a.m.

Chairman: Dr. Macianeno Romero Chile
Chairman of the Session: Dr. Hugo Peña Paraguay
Vice-Chairman: Dr. Leonardo Somarriba Nicaragua
Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante Pan American Sanitarian Bureau

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13. Topic 10: Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1953 -- Continuation (Documents CD5/25, CE14/12)

14. Topic 11: Proposed Program and Budget of the Region of the Americas, World Health Organization, for 1953 (Document CD5/14, Rev.1)

13. TOPIC 10: PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU FOR 1953 -- Continuation (Documents CD5/25, CE14/12)

Before opening the discussion, the Chairman requested Dr. Hugo Peña, the Vice-Chairman, to preside over the session.

Dr. Peña took the Chair and expressed appreciation for this honor, on his own behalf and that of the Republic of Paraguay.

The Representative of Panama restated the joint proposal made at the Third Plenary Session by his Delegation and Ecuador, providing that the budget proposal submitted be considered a preliminary draft that would serve as a basis for the preparation of the proposed Program and Budget for 1953, and that it be forwarded to the Governments with the request that they express their opinions on its content and the increase in quota contributions implied therein, as soon as possible, to enable the Bureau to prepare the 1953 Program and Budget prior to February 1952. He suggested an additional provision which would authorize the Director to continue working on preparation of the 1953 programs, subject to revision in accordance with the opinions submitted later by the Governments on the budgetary implications thereof.
The Representative of Argentina introduced a new proposal designed to set a time limit for answering the inquiries sent to the Governments, and for the preparation of the preliminary proposed Budget.

The Representative of the United States suggested an amendment to the proposal of Ecuador and Panama, to provide that the Governments be asked for their opinion as to the content of the 1953 program but not the budgetary implications thereof, and that they not be asked for a specific budget figure that they would support for 1953.

The proposals, and the order in which they were to be discussed, gave rise to a discussion in which the Representatives of Cuba, El Salvador, Panama, Peru, and the United States took part.

DECISION TAKEN

Consideration of this topic was postponed until the various documents containing the proposals and amendments submitted, had been distributed to the Representatives.


The Assistant Director explained the purpose of this document.

The Representative of the United States suggested a change in the proposed resolution appearing on page 5 of Document CD5/14 (Rev. 1), designed to have the Directing Council, acting in its capacity of Regional Committee for the Americas, request the Regional Director to submit to the Director-General of the World Health Organization the Proposed Program and Budget for the Region of the Americas for 1953, so that it might be included in the Program and Budget to be submitted to the Executive Board; the latter in turn, presenting it for consideration and approval to the Fifth World Health Assembly.

The Representative of Cuba questioned the efficiency and rapidity of the complicated procedure to be followed in order to obtain the funds allotted to countries for technical assistance. He said he wished to take advantage of the presence of Mr. Milton Siegel, Assistant Director-General in charge of the Department of Administration and Finance of the World Health Organization, and Dr. Berislav Boricic, Observer of UNICEF, to ascertain their opinion on the matter.

The Representative of the World Health Organization and the Observer of UNICEF gave full explanations in answer to the question raised by the Representative of Cuba.
DECISION TAKEN

The amendment proposed by the Representative of the United States was approved.4/

The session was adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

4/ Ibid, Resolution V
SUMMARY RECORD OF THE FIFTH PLENARY SESSION

Wednesday, 26 September 1951, at 3:35 p.m.

Chairman of the Session: Dr. Hugo Peña Paraguay

Vice-Chairman: Dr. Leonardo Somarriba Nicaragua

Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante Pan American Sanitary Bureau

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15. **Topic 20**: Revision of the Constitution of the Pan American Sanitary Organization (Document CD5/26 - Rev. 1 and Add. 1)

16. Vote of the Directing Council on the resignation of Dr. John R. Murdock from the Pan American Sanitary Bureau

17. Tribute to the memory of Dr. Félix Veintemillas


15. **TOPIC 20**: **REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY ORGANIZATION** (Document CD5/26 - Rev. 1 and Add. 1)

The Secretary read Resolution XV of the 14th Meeting of the Executive Committee on revision of the Constitution.

The Representative of Argentina stated that, as a question of order, the Directing Council should first decide whether Topic 20 (Revision of the Constitution) and Topic 42 (Revision of the Rules of Procedure) were to be considered jointly, or whether only Topic 20, the one appearing in the Order of the Day, was to be discussed. He proposed that they be studied separately, beginning with Topic 20.

The Representative of the Dominican Republic stated he did not concur in the motion of the Representative of Argentina, and expressed the opinion that the two topics should be examined jointly.
A discussion followed in which the Representatives of Argentina, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, France, the Netherlands, and the United States participated, after which the question was put to the vote.

DEcision TAKEN

The motion of the Representative of Argentina to begin with discussion of Topic 20, followed later by that of Topic 42 (Revision of the Rules of Procedure), was approved by a majority vote.

The Secretary then read Paragraph 2 of Resolution XV of the Executive Committee on revision of the Constitution.

The Representative of Argentina expressed the opinion that, for the present, the Directing Council should refrain from revising the Constitution of the Pan American Sanitary Organization.

The Representative of the Dominican Republic expressed his agreement with the recommendations of the Executive Committee on revision of the Constitution, and proposed that the Bureau continue to obtain the opinions of the governments on this subject and that a committee be appointed to study matters relating to the Constitution.

The Representatives of Bolivia, Brazil, Cuba, Ecuador, and Peru took part in the discussion that followed this proposal.

The Representative of the Netherlands made a statement, transcribed in part, as follows: "When you decided in Lima that the Directing Council of the Pan American Sanitary Organization was to act as Regional Organization of the World Health Organization, you accepted in your midst the representatives of the three metropolitan countries, no longer as hangers-on, but as members of your meetings.

"I confess, at that time I did not fully realize what your decision implied. Since then I have been made aware of it in various ways . . ."

"The Organization of American States and its specialized agencies, are purely American organizations, with which no outsider has any right to interfere. So, I can only marvel at the generosity displayed in permitting outsiders at your meeting . . ."

"Let us qualify the Lima decisions in such a way that representatives of metropolitan governments in the meeting of the regional organization of WHO in the Western Hemisphere will have no right to participate in those matters which are peculiar to the PASO as an Inter-American organization with its own charters."
"As the representatives of metropolitan governments having territories in the Americas, we are naturally very much interested in the decisions which you as Members of the PASO may take with respect to the questions which affect our territories. We appreciate the opportunity of exchanging views with you in regard to matters of mutual interest. At the same time we recognize that it is for Members of the Organization to decide questions which relate to the constitution and structures of the PASO under its codes, and that it would be quite inappropriate for us who are not Members to have a voice in deciding those questions."

The Representative of France stated that his country participated in these meetings not with the desire to benefit itself, but with the sole purpose of obtaining a better understanding of its obligations and international duties. He proposed two modifications in form: (1) that the words "of the Organization of American States" be inserted in the title of Annex I to Document CE14/13 - Rev. 1 so that it would read: "States not Members of the Organization of American States"; (2) that the word "legal" be added before "relations" in Paragraph 1 of Page 2. He added that he would like the same modification to be made in Article 11 of the Rules of Procedure of the Directing Council.

The Chairman appointed the Representatives of Cuba, the Dominican Republic and the United States to draft the resolution proposed by the Representative of the Dominican Republic, so that it could be discussed the following day.

DEcision TAKEn

This procedure was agreed upon.

16. VOTE OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL ON THE RESIGNATION OF DR. JOHN R. MURDOCK FROM THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

The Representative of Ecuador proposed the following resolution:

"WHEREAS:

"Dr. John R. Murdock has resigned from the Pan American Sanitary Bureau; and

"Dr. Murdock has devoted fifteen years of continuous and valuable service to forwarding the cause of public health in the Americas,

"THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

"RESOLVES:

"1. To express its deep regret at the resignation of Dr. John R. Murdock and to place on record the gratitude of the Governments represented on the Council for the valuable services he has rendered."
2. To transmit the text of this resolution to Dr. Murdock. 5/

The Representative of the Dominican Republic seconded the motion and proposed that inclusion of this resolution be postponed until the final session of the Directing Council, when it would be added to other votes that some of the Representatives had prepared.

DECISION TAKEN

The proposal of the Representative of the Dominican Republic was unanimously approved.

17. TRIBUTE TO THE MEMORY OF DR. FELIX VEINTEMILLAS

The Representative of Cuba proposed that one minute of silence be observed in memory of the eminent Bolivian scientist, Dr. Felix Veintemillas, who had recently died.

The Representative of Bolivia, on behalf of his country, expressed appreciation for the tribute paid to Dr. Veintemillas.

The Directing Council paid the tribute in the manner suggested.


The Representative of the United States proposed discussion of the resolution submitted by the Executive Committee on the above subject, and recommended approval of Paragraph 1 of the said resolution (Document CEL4/13 - Rev. 1, Annex I).

The Representatives of Argentina, Cuba, the Dominican Republic and the United States participated in the discussion.

DECISION TAKEN

Paragraph one of the resolution in Document CEL4/13 - Rev. 1, Annex I, was unanimously approved. 6/

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

5/ Ibid, Resolution XLII
6/ Ibid, Resolution XV
SUMMARY RECORD OF THE SIXTH Plenary Session

Thursday, 27 September 1951, at 9:43 a.m.

Chairmen of the Session:  
- Dr. Hugo Peña  
- Dr. Nacianceno Romero  
- Dr. Leonardo Somarriba

Secretary:  
Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante

Pan American Sanitary Bureau

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19. **Topic 10:** Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1953 -- Conclusion (Documents CD5/25, CE14/12, CD5/44, CD5/46)

20. **Topic 20:** Revision of the Constitution of the Pan American Sanitary Organization -- Conclusion (Documents CD5/26 - Rev. 1 and Add. 1, CD5/48)


22. **Topic 26:** Revision of the Pan American Sanitary Code in accordance with the International Sanitary Regulations (Documents CD5/22 - Rev. 1, CE14/7, CD5/45)

19. **TOPIC 10:** PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU FOR 1953 - Conclusion (Documents CD5/25, CE14/12, CD5/44, CD5/46)

The Chairman introduced Document CD5/44 containing the joint resolution proposed by Panama and Ecuador, and Document CD5/46 containing the amendments thereto proposed by the Representative of the United States.

The Representative of El Salvador proposed that in Paragraph 2 of the operative part of the resolution in Document CD5/46, the words "16th Meeting" be substituted for "next session", so as to avoid confusion.
DECISION TAKEN

There was no discussion, and Document CD5/46, with the change proposed by the Representative of El Salvador, was unanimously approved.2/

20. **TOPIC 20:** **REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY ORGANIZATION** -- Conclusion (Documents CD5/26 - Rev. 1 and Add. 1, CD5/48)

The Secretary read the draft resolution prepared by the Representatives of Cuba, the Dominican Republic and the United States, submitted in Document CD5/48.

DECISION TAKEN

There was no discussion, and the proposed resolution in Document CD5/48 was unanimously approved.2/

The Representative of Ecuador suggested that it would be desirable to appoint a permanent committee, comprising preferably the countries most interested in the revision of the Constitution. He proposed that the Representatives of Argentina, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, and the United States be appointed to this committee.

The Representatives of the Dominican Republic, Peru, and the United States took part in the discussion of this proposal, in which, inter alia, it was pointed out that Argentina would not be represented on the Executive Committee and that it was desirable that the committee on constitutional revision be composed of states that would be represented on the Executive Committee.

DECISION TAKEN

It was agreed that the proposal of Ecuador on composition of the permanent committee would be referred to the Executive Committee.*

Dr. Nacianceno Romero then took the Chair.

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2/ Ibid, Resolution IV
3/ Ibid, Resolution XIV
*See Resolution I, Final Report of the 15th Meeting of the Executive Committee (Document CE15/3)

The Chairman called attention to the fact that the Fifth Plenary Session had approved Paragraph 1 of the resolution in Document CE14/13 — Rev. 1, Annex I. He then submitted Paragraphs 2 and 3 for discussion.

The Chairman invited Dr. Somarriba, Vice-Chairman, to preside over the session.

Dr. Somarriba took the Chair, and expressed appreciation for this honor, on his own behalf and that of his country.

The Representative of Argentina reiterated the suggestion he had made when Paragraph 1 was discussed, proposing that the approval given to Paragraphs 2 and 3 be made *ad referendum* to the Member Governments.

**DECISION TAKEN**

Paragraphs 2 and 3 of the resolution in Document CE14/13 — Rev. 1, Annex I, were approved. The Representative of Argentina stated he maintained the reservation he had expressed in regard to these paragraphs.

22. **TOPIC 26: REVISION OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY CODE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INTERNATIONAL SANITARY REGULATIONS (Documents CD5/22, Rev. 1; CE14/7 and CD5/45)**

The Secretary read the resolution on revision of the Pan American Sanitary Code adopted at the 14th Meeting of the Executive Committee (Resolution XI, Document CE14/20, Rev. 2).

The Representative of the United States explained the proposal of his delegation, contained in Document CD5/45.

The Representative of Argentina stated that the position of his Government in regard to this topic was the same as that he had maintained when the topic was discussed by the Executive Committee, and added that his Government would forward its observations directly to the World Health Organization in Geneva.

9/ Ibid, Resolution XV
The Director of the Bureau explained the desirability of reconciling the Pan American Sanitary Code with International Sanitary Regulations No. 2, stating that this was the most appropriate method of solving the technical difficulties arising in connection with certain articles of the Pan American Sanitary Code.

The Representative of the United States announced that Mr. James E. Webb, Under-Secretary of State, wished to receive the chiefs of the delegations to the Directing Council, the Representatives of the Regional Office of the World Health Organization, and the officers of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, at 11:15 that morning.

The session was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.
SUMMARY RECORD OF THE SEVENTH PLENARY SESSION

Friday, 28 September 1951, at 9:59 a.m.

Chairman: Dr. Nacianceno Romero Chile
Chairman of the Session: Dr. Leonardo Somarriba Nicaragua
Vice-Chairman: Dr. Hugo Peña Paraguay
Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante Pan American Sanitary Bureau

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23. **Topic 26**: Revision of the Pan American Sanitary Code in accordance with the International Sanitary Regulations — Continuation (Documents CD5/22 - Rev. 1, CE14/7, CD5/45, CD5/62)

24. **Topic 27**: Election of two Member Countries to fill the vacancies on the Executive Committee created by termination of the periods of office of Argentina and Guatemala (Document CD5/10)

25. **Topic 43**: Proposals of the Executive Committee: Selection of topics for the First Inter-American Congress of Public Health (Documents CD5/40, CE14/14 and Add. 1, CD5/40 - Annex I)

23. **Topic 26**: Revision of the Pan American Sanitary Code in accordance with the International Sanitary Regulations — Continuation (Documents CD5/22 - Rev. 1, CE14/7, CD5/45, CD5/62)

The Representative of Cuba recalled the various stages in the preparation of International Sanitary Regulations No. 2 and the discussions that had taken place in Geneva. After explaining the advisability of revising the Pan American Sanitary Code, he proposed a draft resolution providing for the addition of a protocol to amend the Code.

The Treaty Adviser to the Representative of the United States read a statement (Document CD5/62) on the question of revision of the Pan American Sanitary Code. He reiterated the United States preference for the resolution that had been proposed in Document CD5/45 and, in order to improve the text thereof, suggested some modifications as to form, in the operative part.
The Representative of Costa Rica said that he understood the texts should be reconciled; he therefore proposed that a resolution be adopted to recommend to the countries of the Americas the addition of a protocol to be annexed to the Pan American Sanitary Code, and at the same time to recommend support of the International Sanitary Regulations adopted in Geneva.

The Representative of Colombia and the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau took part in the discussion. The Chairman proposed that, inasmuch as there were no substantial differences in the three proposed resolutions, a committee composed of the Representatives of Costa Rica, Cuba, and the United States be appointed to prepare a single proposal.

DECISION TAKEN

The proposal of the Chairman was unanimously approved.

The Chairman welcomed the Representative of Costa Rica, Dr. Oscar Vargas, with whose arrival all Member Countries were represented at the meeting.

The Chairman then called a recess of 15 minutes.

24. TOPIC 27: ELECTION OF TWO MEMBER COUNTRIES TO FILL THE VACANCIES ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CREATED BY TERMINATION OF THE PERIODS OF OFFICE OF ARGENTINA AND GUATEMALA (Document CD5/10)

The Representative of Cuba proposed Mexico to fill one of the two vacancies.

The Representative of Uruguay proposed Paraguay.

The Representative of Honduras proposed Panama.

The Representative of Bolivia proposed Mexico and Ecuador.

The Chairman appointed the Representatives of Brazil and the Dominican Republic as tellers.

RESULT OF THE VOTE:

Ecuador: 15 votes
Mexico: 15 votes
Panama: 8 votes
Paraguay: 6 votes
There were two abstentions.

Ecuador and Mexico were declared elected.\textsuperscript{10/}

The Representatives of Ecuador and Mexico thanked the Representatives for this expression of appreciation and confidence, and stated the purpose of their respective countries to cooperate for the fullest success of the activities of the Executive Committee.

The Representative of Chile suggested that an acknowledgement and a vote of thanks be made to the Representatives of Argentina and Guatemala, who were leaving the Executive Committee, in recognition of their efficient work and earnest interest in all activities of the Committee during their three-year period of office. This suggestion was unanimously approved.


The Chairman, pursuant to Resolution XIV of the 14th Meeting of the Executive Committee (Document CE14/20 - Rev. 2), proposed to the Council the selection of two topics.

The Representatives of Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Mexico, Panama, Venezuela, and the United States took part in the discussion.

The Representative of Ecuador observed that subparagraphs a) and b) of Topic No. 4 (Document CD5/40 - Annex I) were more directly related to Topic No. 2, and that the topic "Training of Public Health Professional Personnel" would be included, according to the statement of the Representative of Cuba, in the Symposium to be organized by his Government. He therefore proposed that subparagraphs a) and b) be deleted from Topic No. 4 and added to Topic No. 2.

**DECISION TAKEN**

This proposal was unanimously approved.

The selection of the two topics was then put to the vote.

\textsuperscript{10/} Ibid, Resolution XXVII
DECISION TAKEN

Topic 2 (Organization and Integration of Public Health Services), as amended, and Topic 5 (Recent Developments in Disease Treatment and Control) of the list proposed by the Executive Committee received a majority of votes.\textsuperscript{11}

The Representative of the United States, on behalf of his Government, invited all interested Delegations to visit the offices of the Public Health Service, institutes and some of the health establishments in Washington, and requested them to indicate their wishes in this regard in order that appropriate arrangements could be made.

The session was adjourned at 1:42 p.m.

\textsuperscript{11} Ibid, Resolution XXXIX
SUMMARY RECORD OF THE EIGHTH PLENARY SESSION

Monday, 1 October 1951, at 9:51 a.m.

Chairman: Dr. Nacianceno Romero Chile
Vice-Chairmen: Dr. Leonardo Somarriba Nicaragua
              Dr. Hugo Peña Paraguay
Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante Pan American Sanitary Bureau

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26. Invitation from the President of the United States.

27. Telegram from the Minister of Public Health of Ecuador.

28. Report of the Rapporteur of Committee I (Program and Budget)
(Document CD5/67 and Annex I)

26. INVITATION FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

The Representative of the United States informed the Representatives of the countries participating in the meetings of the Pan American Sanitary Organization, that the President of the United States wished to receive them at the White House at 12:15 that day.

27. TELEGRAM FROM THE MINISTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH OF ECUADOR

The Secretary read a telegram received from the Minister of Public Health of Ecuador, which expressed the appreciation of the Ecuadorean Government for the election of Ecuador to the Executive Committee.


The Rapporteur successively read the following parts of his report, as the topics therein were submitted for discussion:
a) **Topic 12**: Program and budget policy of the Pan American Sanitary Organization

The Representatives of Argentina, Cuba, El Salvador, Peru, and the United States, and the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau took part in the discussion of this topic.

**DECISION TAKEN**

The draft resolution on this topic was approved.\(^{12}\)

b) **Topic 21** (first resolution): Request for cooperation from the Inter-American Association of Sanitary Engineering (AIDIS) to the Pan American Sanitary Bureau

**DECISION TAKEN**

There was no discussion, and the draft resolution on this topic was unanimously approved.\(^{13}\)

c) **Topic 21** (second resolution): Request of the Pan American Medical Confederation for recognition by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau

After the Director of the Bureau had expressed several reservations in regard to the operative part of the draft resolution presented by Committee I, the Chairman put the resolution to a vote.

**DECISION TAKEN**

The resolution was approved by a vote of nine to one, with five abstentions.\(^{14}\)

d) **Topic 22**: Study of the fundamental principles of Pan American health

The Representative of Venezuela requested that the word "they" be substituted for "the new proposals" in the operative part of the draft resolution.

The Representative of El Salvador proposed that the words "factors that are" be deleted from the second paragraph of the preamble of the draft resolution.

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\(^{12}\) Ibid, Resolution VI  
\(^{13}\) Ibid, Resolution XVI  
\(^{14}\) Ibid, Resolution XVII
DECISION TAKEN

The resolution was approved with the proposed changes.\footnote{Ibid, Resolution XVIII}

e) Topic 28: Place and date of the VI Meeting of the Directing Council, the 17th and 18th Meetings of the Executive Committee, and the First Inter-American Congress of Public Health

The Representative of El Salvador suggested that the last paragraph of the operative part of the draft resolution was irrelevant, and requested that it be deleted.

DECISION TAKEN

The resolution was unanimously approved with the suggested deletion.\footnote{Ibid, Resolution XLI}

f) Topic 33: Procurement policy of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau

The Representative of Mexico requested deletion of the last part of paragraph 1 (b) in the operative part of the draft resolution, after the words "and other administrative expenses".

The Representative of Argentina recalled his position during discussion of this subparagraph in committee, stating he had proposed that the 3\% charge be continued since he deemed this to be the most expeditious procedure both for the Governments and for the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

The Representative of Cuba formally proposed that the 3\% charge be restored, and seconded the suggestion of the Representative of Mexico that the final phrase of subparagraph b) be deleted.

The Representatives of Bolivia, Costa Rica, France, Guatemala, Mexico, and Venezuela, the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and the Chief of the Division of Administration of the Bureau took part in the discussion.

The session was adjourned at 11:48 a.m.
SUMMARY RECORD OF THE NINTH PLENARY SESSION

Monday, 1 October 1951, at 3:10 p.m.

Chairman: Dr. Nacianceno Romero, Chile

Vice-Chairmen: Dr. Leonardo Somarriba, Nicaragua
Dr. Hugo Peña, Paraguay

Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante, Pan American Sanitary Bureau

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30. Report on the outbreak of jungle yellow fever in Costa Rica


32. Topic 37: General program of work for a specific period: long-range project for regional needs (Document CD5/59-Rev.1)

33. Topic 26: Revision of the Pan American Sanitary Code in accordance with the International Sanitary Regulations -- Continuation (Documents CD5/22 - Rev. 1, CE14/7, CD5/45, CD5/60, CD5/62)

29. REPORT OF THE RAPPORTEUR OF COMMITTEE I (Program and Budget) -- Conclusion (Document CD5/67 and Annex I)

a) Topic 33: Procurement policy of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau -- Conclusion

The Representative of Argentina proposed that Paragraph 1 (b) of the draft resolution be changed to read as follows: "The 3 per cent service charge now in effect shall be continued, and will be applied only on the net cost of the items purchased."
DECISION TAKEN

The resolution was unanimously approved with the proposed amendment. 17/

b) Topic 35: Technical discussions

DECISION TAKEN.

There was no discussion, and the draft resolution on this topic was unanimously approved. 18/

c) Topic 36: National health and sanitary measures to prevent the spread of quarantinable diseases

DECISION TAKEN

There was no discussion, and the draft resolution on this topic was unanimously approved. 19/

d) Topic 38: Recommendations of the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Nutrition, second session

DECISION TAKEN

There was no discussion, and the draft resolution on this topic was unanimously approved. 20/

e) Topic 39: Development of national programs for the benefit of children

DECISION TAKEN

There was no discussion, and the draft resolution on this topic was unanimously approved. 21/

f) Topic 40: Supply of insecticides

The Representative of the Netherlands proposed that the words "inter alia" be inserted after "insecticides" in Paragraph 2 of the operative part of the resolution.

17/ Ibid, Resolution XXIX
18/ Ibid, Resolution XXXI
19/ Ibid, Resolution XXXII
20/ Ibid, Resolution XXXIV
21/ Ibid, Resolution XXXV
The Representative of the United States proposed that the words "requirements up to 30 June 1952" be inserted after "quota" in Paragraph 3 of the operative part of the resolution. He also proposed addition of the following paragraph: "To request the Member Governments to indicate, prior to 1 March 1952, their estimated insecticide requirements for the period 1 July 1952 to 30 June 1953."

DECISION TAKEN

The resolution on this topic was unanimously approved, with the proposed changes.22/

30. REPORT ON THE OUTBREAK OF JUNGLE YELLOW FEVER IN COSTA RICA

The Representative of Costa Rica submitted a report on the extent of the jungle yellow fever epidemic in his country. He described the geographic distribution of the epidemic, and the results obtained with the two types of vaccine employed. He recommended that the Aëdes aegypti eradication program be intensified in the Americas, since he believed it was this program that had saved the cities of Costa Rica from an invasion of urban yellow fever. He also recommended that the quarantine measures of the various countries be standardized, whether such countries were adjacent to an epidemic area or not. He proposed that the Central American countries, Mexico and Panama hold a meeting to discuss the problem and to prepare a joint plan of action.

The Representative of the Dominican Republic proposed that the report of the Representative of Costa Rica be distributed.

DECISION TAKEN

It was agreed that the above-mentioned countries and the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau would hold a meeting to discuss this problem, and that the Report of the Representative of Costa Rica would be distributed.

22/ Ibid, Resolution XXXVI
22/ Ibid, Resolution XXXVII
31. REPORT OF THE RAPPORTEUR OF COMMITTEE II (Administration, Finance and Legal Matters) (Document CD5/68 and Annex I)

The Rapporteur successively read the following parts of his report, as they were submitted for discussion:

a) Topic 13: Authorization to the Executive Committee to act as working party on behalf of the Regional Committee for the Americas of the World Health Organization

The Representative of the United States proposed deletion of the fourth paragraph of the preamble and of Paragraph 2 of the operative part of the draft resolution.

DECISION TAKEN

The resolution was unanimously approved with the proposed amendments.24/

b) Topic 14: Means for facilitating payment of quota contributions by Member Governments

DECISION TAKEN

There was no discussion, and the draft resolution on this topic was unanimously approved.25/

c) Topic 15: Financial Regulations

DECISION TAKEN

There was no discussion, and the draft resolution on this topic was unanimously approved.26/

d) Topic 16: Composition of the Working Capital Fund

DECISION TAKEN

There was no discussion, and the draft resolution on this topic was unanimously approved.27/

24/ Ibid, Resolution VII
25/ Ibid, Resolution VIII
26/ Ibid, Resolution IX
27/ Ibid, Resolution X
e) **Topic 17: Status of the Working Capital Fund**

DECISION TAKEN.

There was no discussion, and the draft resolution on this topic was unanimously approved.28/

f) **Topic 18: Emergency Procurement Revolving Fund**

DECISION TAKEN.

There was no discussion, and the draft resolution on this topic was unanimously approved.29/

g) **Topic 19: Report of the external auditors for 1950**

DECISION TAKEN.

There was no discussion, and the draft resolution on this topic was unanimously approved.30/

h) **Topic 23: Special compensation for bilingual staff members**

DECISION TAKEN.

There was no discussion, and the draft resolution on this topic was unanimously approved.31/

i) **Topic 24: Report on participation in the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Plan**

DECISION TAKEN.

There was no discussion, and the draft resolution on this topic was unanimously approved.32/

j) **Topic 25: Participation in the Contingency Fund of the Pan American Union**

DECISION TAKEN.

There was no discussion, and the draft resolution on this topic was unanimously approved.33/

28/ Ibid, Resolution XI
29/ Ibid, Resolution XII
30/ Ibid, Resolution XIII
31/ Ibid, Resolution XIX
32/ Ibid, Resolution XX
33/ Ibid, Resolution XXI
k) Topic 29: Staff Regulations of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau

DECISION TAKEN

There was no discussion, and the draft resolution on this topic was unanimously approved.34/

l) Topic 30: Staff Rules of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau

DECISION TAKEN

There was no discussion, and the draft resolution on this topic was unanimously approved.35/

m) Topic 31: Increase in the contribution of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to the Pan American Union Retirement and Pension Fund

DECISION TAKEN

There was no discussion, and the draft resolution on this topic was unanimously approved.36/

n) Topic 32: Designation of external auditor(s)

DECISION TAKEN

There was no discussion, and the draft resolution on this topic was unanimously approved.37/

o) Topic 44: Financial participation of France, the Netherlands, and the United Kingdom on behalf of their dependent territories in the Region of the Americas in the Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Organization

The Representative of the United Kingdom requested information as to what computations had been made as a basis for applying the percentages listed in the resolution submitted in the report of Committee II.

34/ Ibid, Resolution XXII
35/ Ibid, Resolution XXIII
36/ Ibid, Resolution XXV
37/ Ibid, Resolution XXVIII
The Representative of the United States, who had served as Chairman of Committee II, explained how the contributions of the Metropolitans Governments had been established, and he submitted the following resolution:

"WHEREAS:

"The Directing Council at this Meeting has adopted a resolution recommending inter alia that the Representative States of non-self-governing territories be granted the vote on budget matters of the Pan American Sanitary Organization provided this vote be contingent upon an equitable contribution being made by them to the Pan American Sanitary Organization budget,

"THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

"RESOLVES:

"1. To instruct the Director to compute the annual contributions in respect to the territories of France, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom in the Western Hemisphere, on the following basis:

"a) for each group of territories select the Member State whose capacity-to-pay is most comparable to that of the group;

"b) divide the amount assessed the most comparable Member State by its total population;

"c) multiply the per capita assessment of the most comparable Member State (derived in step b) by the total population of the respective groups of territories, the resulting sum being the amount of the contribution for the group.

"2. To instruct the Director to consult each Representative State in the selection of the Member State whose capacity-to-pay is most comparable to the group of territories which it represents.

"3. To instruct the Director to inform the Executive Committee annually of the manner in which the most comparable Member State was selected."
The above resolution was approved.38/

The Representative of France was then given the floor. He stated he regretted the fact that, although the three European States had been granted the right to vote on the Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, they had been denied this right in regard to the Budget of the WHO, since they had not been granted equitable representation on the Working Party which prepared this budget.

The statement of the Representative of France gave rise to a discussion in which the Representatives of Argentina, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Mexico, the Netherlands, and the United States took part.

The Representative of the United States raised the point that the three European States which were entitled to participate in meetings of the Directing Council were presumably eligible for membership on the Executive Committee, and that the question raised by the Representative of France, therefore, presented no problem.

The Representative of Mexico questioned the point made by the United States Representative, and suggested that the participation of these States in the Executive Committee, and their eligibility for election, be referred to the Executive Committee or to the Committee on Constitutional Revision.

The proposal of the Representative of Mexico was approved, it being agreed that the question of the status in the Executive Committee of the Representative Governments of non-self-governing territories would be referred to that Committee for consideration in connection with the study of revision of the Constitution.

32. **TOPIC 37: GENERAL PROGRAM OF WORK FOR A SPECIFIC PERIOD: LONG-RANGE PROJECT FOR REGIONAL NEEDS** (Document CD5/59 - Rev. 1)

The resolution on this topic was unanimously approved, without discussion.39/

38/ Ibid, Resolution XL
39/ Ibid, Resolution XXXIII
33. **TOPIC 26: REVISION OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY CODE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INTERNATIONAL SANITARY REGULATIONS -- Continuation**

(Documents CD5/22 - Rev. 1, CEU/7, CD5/45, CD5/60, CD5/62)

The Secretary announced that, as a result of the meeting of the committee appointed at the 7th Plenary Session to draft a single resolution, the Representatives of Costa Rica and Cuba had jointly prepared a proposed resolution, submitted in Document CD5/60. He then read the proposed resolution.

The Representative of the Dominican Republic proposed that the second paragraph of the preamble of the resolution proposed by Costa Rica and Cuba (Document CD5/60) be changed to begin as follows: "The International Regulations No. 2 are vested with the full and mandatory force ...".

The Representative of the United States proposed deletion of Paragraphs 2 and 4 of the operative part of the resolution.

It was decided to hold another session at 9:00 p.m., so that the Closing Session could be held on Wednesday morning, 3 October.

The session was adjourned at 6:23 p.m.
SUMMARY RECORD OF THE TENTH PLENARY SESSION

Monday, 1 October 1951, at 9:10 p.m.

Chairman: Dr. Nacianceno Romero Chile
Vice-Chairmen: Dr. Leonardo Somarriba Nicaragua
Dr. Hugo Peña Paraguay

Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante Pan American Sanitary Bureau

34. Invitation to the Deputy Minister of National Health of Canada


36. Topic 34: Permanent headquarters building for the Pan American Sanitary Bureau (Documents CD5/24, CE14/9)


38. Topic 30: Staff Rules of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau: Report of the working party on salaries of non-classified staff members of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau (Document CD5/76)


34. INVITATION TO THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF NATIONAL HEALTH OF CANADA

On behalf of the Directing Council, the Chairman welcomed Dr. G. D. W. Cameron, Deputy Minister of National Health of Canada, and invited him to join the session.

Dr. Cameron thanked the Chairman for the invitation, which he said was a special honor, since he was attending as an observer.
35. **TOPIC 26: REVISION OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY CODE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INTERNATIONAL SANITARY REGULATIONS -- Continuation**

After the Representatives of Cuba and the Dominican Republic had commented on this topic, the Representative of Argentina suggested that the operative part of the resolution on revision of the Pan American Sanitary Code be drafted to include Paragraphs 1 and 3 of the draft resolution proposed by Costa Rica and Cuba (Document CD5/60); that Paragraph 2 of the latter resolution be replaced, and that the Organization of American States be requested to give its opinion as to the most appropriate method of reaching the proposed objective.

The Representative of the United States made a statement (Document CD5/75) explaining why it would be inadvisable to adopt a protocol to amend the Pan American Sanitary Code.

The Representatives of El Salvador, France, Mexico, and Venezuela took part in the discussion of the proposed resolutions.

The Chairman announced that he would put to the vote the proposal of Argentina, the proposal of the United States, and the joint proposal of Costa Rica and Cuba (Document CD5/60), in that order. The votes were taken with the following results:

The proposed resolution of Argentina was rejected by a vote of 8 to 5, with 7 abstentions.

The proposed resolution of the United States was rejected by a vote of 8 to 4, with 8 abstentions.

The resolution jointly proposed by Costa Rica and Cuba was not adopted, the vote being 7 to 7, with 6 abstentions.

The Representative of Argentina again stated his original proposal, at the request of the Representative of the United States, and the latter invited him to prepare a joint proposal with him.

The Chairman called a recess of 10 minutes. When the session was resumed, the Representatives of Argentina and the United States presented their new proposed resolution, recommending that all appropriate action be taken to apply the International Sanitary Regulations, and authorizing the Executive Committee to seek the opinions of the American Republics as to whether any international legal measures were needed to adjust the Pan American Sanitary Code to the International Sanitary Regulations.
The Chairman submitted the proposed resolution of Argentina and the United States for a vote, and the Representative of Cuba requested that it be a roll call vote.

A roll call vote was taken.

Votes in favor: Argentina, the Dominican Republic, Honduras, Nicaragua, Paraguay, the United States, and Venezuela.

Votes against: Brazil, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Guatemala, Panama, Peru, and Uruguay.

Abstentions: Chile, El Salvador, Haiti, and Mexico.

By seven votes in favor, nine against, and four abstentions, the proposed resolution of Argentina and the United States was rejected.

The Representative of Cuba requested that a roll call vote again be taken on the proposed resolution of Costa Rica and Cuba.

A roll call vote was taken, with the following result:

Votes in favor: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, and Uruguay.

Votes against: The Dominican Republic, Honduras, Paraguay, and the United States.

Abstentions: Haiti and Venezuela.

DECISION TAKEN

By thirteen votes in favor, four against, and two abstentions, the proposed resolution of Costa Rica and Cuba was approved.40/

The Representative of the United States requested that it go on record that the United States would not sign the Protocol recommended in the resolution adopted.

40/ Ibid, Resolution XXVI
36. **TOPIC 34: PERMANENT HEADQUARTERS BUILDING FOR THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU** (Documents CD5/24, CE14/9)

The Chairman referred to Resolution VII adopted by the 14th Meeting of the Executive Committee on this topic (Document CE14/20 - Rev. 2), and proposed for study the Proposed Resolution and Alternate Resolution contained in Document CE14/9, now being referred to the Directing Council for consideration.

Following an expression of opinion by the Representatives of Cuba, Ecuador, and Mexico, the Representative of Venezuela remarked that, in accordance with the terms of the letter of 26 July 1951 from the Department of State, the Directing Council would have to decide between the two resolutions proposed by the Director.

**DECISION TAKEN**

Unanimous approval was given to the Alternate Resolution expressing the desire of the Executive Committee to receive another offer of land more suitably located as the site for construction of the permanent headquarters of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.


The Representative of Argentina stated that in view of the fact that the disparity in the proposed revisions of the Rules of Procedure and the Constitution created complicated legal situations and required a very carefully-studied solution of the problem, he proposed that study of this topic be postponed by the Directing Council, and that it be referred to the Executive Committee for study and report to the Council at its meeting in 1952.

**DECISION TAKEN**

The proposal was unanimously approved.


The Rapprteur read the report of the working party, which proposed specific increases. The Representatives of Cuba, Ecuador, Mexico, the United States, and Venezuela, and the Chief of the Division of Administration of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau made various comments and explanations.

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41/ Ibid, Resolution XXX
42/ Ibid, Resolution XXXVIII. See also Resolution II of the 15th Meeting of the Executive Committee (Document CE15/3).
DECISION TAKEN

The report of the working party was approved.43/

39. SECOND REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS (Document CD5/80)

The Rapporteur submitted a verbal report on the last credentials received, and recommended their acceptance.

DECISION TAKEN

The credentials submitted verbally by the Rapporteur were approved.

The session was adjourned at 12:58 a.m.

43/ Ibid, Resolution XXIV
SUMMARY RECORD OF THE ELEVENTH PLENARY SESSION

Wednesday, 3 October 1951, at 10:34 a.m.

Chairman: Dr. Nacianceno Romero - Chile
Vice-Chairmen: Dr. Leonardo Somarriba - Nicaragua
Dr. Hugo Peña - Paraguay
Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante - Pan American Sanitary Bureau

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41. Topic 8: (Conclusion) Annual Report of the Directing Council to the Participating Governments

42. Statement of the Observer of the World Federation for Mental Health

43. Vote of thanks to Dr. John R. Murdock

44. Statement of the Representative of France

45. Statement of the Representative of the Netherlands

46. Statement of the Representative of the United Kingdom

47. Vote of condolence on the death of Dr. Félix Veintemillas

48. Votes of thanks

49. Speech of the Chairman of the Directing Council

50. Signing of the Final Report

The Chairman invited the Council to elect three Representatives to be appointed, pursuant to Resolution XXVI of the Directing Council, to draft the Additional Protocol to the Pan American Sanitary Code; he proposed the Representatives of Argentina, Brazil, and Cuba to comprise this committee.

**DECISION TAKEN**

The proposed nominations were approved.44/

41. **TOPIC 8: (Conclusion) ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL TO THE PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENTS**


**DECISION TAKEN**

The proposal was unanimously approved.45/

42. **STATEMENT OF THE OBSERVER OF THE WORLD FEDERATION FOR MENTAL HEALTH**

The Chairman announced that Dr. Daniel Blain, Observer of the World Federation for Mental Health, had asked permission to make a brief statement. He then gave Dr. Blain the floor.

The Observer of the World Federation for Mental Health invited the Members of the Directing Council of the Pan American Sanitary Organization to attend the Fourth World Conference on Mental Health to be held in Mexico from 11 to 19 December 1951. He spoke of the importance of these meetings and requested the Representatives to encourage attendance by their various countries. He offered the Director of the Bureau the fullest cooperation of the World Federation.

The Chairman thanked Dr. Blain for his statement.

44/ Ibid, The Draft Protocol prepared by this committee appears in Resolution XLIV

45/ Ibid, Addendum to the Final Report
43. VOTE OF THANKS TO DR. JOHN R. MURDOCK

The Representative of the Dominican Republic commended the work of Dr. John R. Murdock and, seconded by the Representatives of Argentina, Paraguay, and Peru, he proposed that Paragraph 2 of Resolution XLII (Document CD5/74 - Rev. 2) be carried out by presenting Dr. Murdock with a parchment bearing the signature of the Chairman of the Council and of the Secretary.

DECISION TAKEN

The proposal of the Representative of the Dominican Republic was unanimously approved.46/

44. STATEMENT OF THE REPRESENTATIVE OF FRANCE

The Representative of France read a statement thanking the Directing Council for the welcome extended to him at this Meeting, and congratulating the Council especially on the adoption of the resolution clarifying the conditions of participation in the Directing Council by Member States of the World Health Organization whose seats of government were not in the Western Hemisphere.

The Representative of France expressed the conviction that the delicate problems arising from the Council's double function as inter-American organization and Regional Committee of the World Health Organization would be solved satisfactorily. He regretted, however, that the Council had postponed amendment of the Rules of Procedure and thus had not provided for the necessary implementation of the aforesaid resolution, which was a perfect expression of the spirit of international collaboration.

The Representative of France also expressed pleasure in the fact that all speakers taking part in the discussion at the Eleventh Plenary Session of the Directing Council had recognized the International Sanitary Regulations No. 2 of the World Health Organization as a perfect working instrument.

45. STATEMENT OF THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE NETHERLANDS

The Representative of the Netherlands expressed his appreciation for all the courtesies received during the Meeting of the Directing Council, and warmly praised the work of the Secretariat staff who, he said, had done everything possible, and sometimes the impossible, to fulfill their duty.

46/ Ibid, Resolution XLII
46. STATEMENT OF THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED KINGDOM

The Representative of the United Kingdom referred to the assistance received following the hurricane that struck the island of Jamaica, and he expressed appreciation for this aid.

47. VOTE OF CONDOLENCE ON THE DEATH OF DR. FELIX VEINTEMILLAS

The Representative of the Dominican Republic proposed that the Council include in its Final Report a vote of condolence to the Republic of Bolivia on the death of Dr. Félix Veintemillas.

DECISION TAKEN

The proposal of the Representative of the Dominican Republic was unanimously approved.47/

48. VOTES OF THANKS

The Chairman submitted to the Directing Council, for approval, the texts of the votes of thanks to the President, authorities and organizations of the United States, as well as to the Director, officers and members of the staff of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

The Representatives of Cuba, the Dominican Republic, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom offered suggestions regarding these texts.

DECISION TAKEN

The votes of thanks were unanimously adopted, it being agreed that the suggestion of the aforementioned Representatives would be taken into consideration in the drafting of the final texts.48/

49. SPEECH OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

The Chairman, after asking whether any Representative wished to take the floor, announced that he would conclude the work of the V Meeting of the Council.

He stated that he lost his usual calm when deeply moved, and was unable to express his feelings, now, as fully as he wished.

47/ Ibid, Resolution XLIII
48/ Ibid, Resolution XLV
He said that at the beginning of the present Meeting, when the Representatives appointed him Chairman, to serve with his esteemed friends, Dr. Somarrriba of Nicaragua, and Dr. Peña of Paraguay, he had been too deeply moved to express his appreciation for that high distinction, and now that the meeting was closing, he was again unable to say everything he wished in answer to the kindness "shown to him and to the esteemed colleagues who had served with him".

The Chairman thanked the Representatives for the collaboration, kindness and friendship they had given to ensure the success of his task. He said such success had been possible because at these meetings the Representatives, who had come with instructions from their governments, had worked together in friendship and understanding to reconcile differences and do everything possible to achieve fruitful results.

50. SIGNING OF THE FINAL REPORT (Document CD5/74 - Rev. 2)

The Representative of Cuba, seconded by the Representative of the Dominican Republic, expressed his regret that the General Committee had decided to eliminate the traditional act of signing the Final Report; he said that, in any case, such a decision should have been adopted by the Council in plenary session.

The Chairman stated that the decision had been taken in order to facilitate the arrangements of Representatives who had indicated urgency in returning to their countries, but that nothing had been changed and that the traditional signing of the Final Report would take place that evening at 6:00 p.m.

The Representatives were asked to meet at that hour.

The session was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.
PROTOCOL OF THE SIGNING OF THE FINAL REPORT

Wednesday, 3 October 1951, at 6:25 p.m.

Chairman: Dr. Nacianceno Romero Chile
Vice-Chairman: Dr. Hugo Peña Paraguay
Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante Pan American Sanitary Bureau

SUMMARY


52. Signing of the Final Report (Document CD5/74 - Rev. 2)


The Secretary read the amendments made in this document.

The Representative of Guatemala asked whether the Final Report included the decision adopted to the effect that the Final Report of the Directing Council and the Report of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau be sent to the Member Governments in compliance with Article 8 of the Constitution, as the Annual Report of the Directing Council to the Member Governments.

DECISION TAKEN

It was agreed that the aforesaid decision, signed by the Chairman and the Secretary, should appear at the end of the Final Report.49/

49/ Ibid, Addendum to the Final Report
52. SIGNING OF THE FINAL REPORT (Document CD5/74, Rev. 2)

The Secretary called the Representatives, in alphabetical order of countries, to sign the document.

The Final Report was signed in that order. The Representatives of Colombia, Costa Rica, Honduras, Nicaragua, and Uruguay were absent.

The session was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.
SUMMARY RECORDS
OF THE SESSIONS HELD BY
COMMITTEE I
SUMMARY RECORDS OF COMMITTEE I (PROGRAM AND BUDGET)

First Session
Monday, 24 September 1951, at 3:35 p.m.

Chairman: Dr. Gerardo Segura Argentina
Vice-Chairman: Dr. Almir Castro Brazil
Rapporteur: Dr. Pedro Nogueira Cuba
Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante Pan American Sanitary Bureau

SUMMARY

1. Election of the Vice-Chairman and Rapporteur

2. Topic 28: Place and date of the VI Meeting of the Directing Council, the 17th and 18th Meetings of the Executive Committee, and the First Inter-American Congress of Public Health (Document CD5/56)

3. Topic 33: Procurement policy of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau (Document CD5/23)


7. Topic 41: Annual reports from Member States of the World Health Organization: recommendations on form and content to ensure uniformity and comparability (Document CD5/30)

8. Topic 35: Technical discussions (Document CD5/32)
The Chairman announced that seven representatives would constitute a quorum.

1. ELECTION OF THE VICE-CHAIRMAN AND RAPPORTEUR

The Representative of Panama nominated the Representative of Brazil. The nomination was unanimously approved.

Since there were no nominations for Rapporteur, the Chairman nominated the Representative of Cuba. The nomination was unanimously approved.


The Chairman announced that the 13th Meeting of the Executive Committee, held in Washington, D. C., in April 1951, had decided that the 17th and 18th Meetings of the Executive Committee and the VI Meeting of the Directing Council would precede the First Inter-American Congress of Public Health, to be held in Havana in the autumn of 1952, and that it devolved upon Cuba to fix the dates for these meetings.

The Representative of Cuba, taking into consideration the fact that a minimum of twelve work days would be required for these meetings, and about three days for the Public Health Congress, suggested either the last fifteen days of September, or the last thirteen days of September and the first two days of October.

DECISION TAKEN

It was agreed that the 17th Meeting of the Executive Committee would begin on 15 September 1952 and that the Public Health Congress would end on 1 October 1952. 1

3. TOPIC 33: PROCUREMENT POLICY OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU (Document CD5/23)

The Representative of El Salvador suggested that Paragraph 1(e) of the proposed resolution in Document CD5/23 would be clearer if the second sentence ended with the words "the Bureau shall be so informed".

DECISION TAKEN

Topic 33 was unanimously approved, with the amendment proposed. 2/

4. TOPIC 36: NATIONAL HEALTH AND SANITARY MEASURES TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF QUARANTINABLE DISEASES (Document CD5/27 and Annex I)

The Secretary announced that this topic had been proposed by the Director-General of the World Health Organization.

The Chairman asked whether there was any objection to the document or to the proposed resolution contained therein. There were none.

DECISION TAKEN

The proposed resolution in Document CD5/27 was approved. 2/

5. TOPIC 38: RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JOINT FAO/WHO EXPERT COMMITTEE ON NUTRITION, SECOND SESSION (Document CD5/29)

The Secretary stated that this topic also had been proposed by the Director-General of the World Health Organization.

The Chairman remarked that the Directing Council did not have at hand the policy and programs that had been referred to the WHO Expert Committee by the Chief of the Nutrition Section.

The Secretary explained that the report containing the policy and programs was a part of Document WHO/NUT 18, which was in the files of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and at the disposal of the Representatives. He further stated that all documents of the World Health Organization came in English and French, without enough additional copies to send to the Member Governments which the Regional Office comprises, and that it had been impossible to translate and publish the documents in time to transmit them, since many were extremely voluminous.

The Representative of El Salvador observed that the last paragraph of the report in Document CD5/29 appeared to suggest that, commencing with the year 1953, the Pan American Sanitary Bureau would turn over to the World Health Organization all financial and program responsibility connected with the Institute of Nutrition of Central America and Panama; he requested clarification of this point.

2/ Ibid, page 12
3/ Ibid, page 17
The Director reminded the Committee that there had been no thought of changing either the program for the Americas or of INCAP, and that furthermore, it was impossible to make any change in the policy and programs of INCAP without a decision of the Council having authority over it.

The Representative of El Salvador accepted the explanation of the Director; he requested that the report submitted by the Director of the Institute of Nutrition to the Joint Committee be sent to the countries.

**DECISION TAKEN**

Document CD5/29 was unanimously approved. 

The Representative of El Salvador suggested that the Summary Records of this session record the desire that the Pan American Sanitary Bureau transmit to the Member States the report of the Chief of the Nutrition Section contained in Document WHO/NUT 18.

**DECISION TAKEN**

This suggestion was approved.


The Secretary announced that the Director-General of the World Health Organization had suggested this topic for inclusion on the Agenda of this Meeting of the Directing Council.

The Representative of Colombia asked whether the documents referred to could be made available, so that it would be possible to have an opinion about them.

The Secretary stated that the report of the Expert Committee on Nutrition contained 66 legal-size pages. He added that the document was at the disposal of the Representatives, as were all documents received from the World Health Organization by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

The Representative of Cuba said that the proposals for technical assistance lost a great deal of their effectiveness if they were not carried out promptly. He suggested there should be closer collaboration and less delay in action between the technical assistance agencies and the technical institutes, and requested that a resolution be adopted urging more speed and efficiency.

Ibid, page 19
DECISION TAKEN

The proposal of the Representative of Cuba was approved.2/

7. **TOPIC 41: ANNUAL REPORTS FROM MEMBER STATES OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION: RECOMMENDATIONS ON FORM AND CONTENT TO ENSURE UNIFORMITY AND COMPARABILITY (Document CD5/30)**

The Secretary explained the difficulty of obtaining data, for purposes of comparison, from the annual reports transmitted by the Member States, because of their lack of uniformity.

The Representative of Cuba suggested that a "Model Report" might be drafted in order to correct this deficiency, and that the Directing Council should give the Executive Committee instructions for this purpose.

The Representative of El Salvador suggested that the model questionnaire should be brief and basic.

The Chairman agreed with the view of the Representative of El Salvador.

**DECISION TAKEN**

The proposal of the Representative of Cuba was approved.6/


**DECISION TAKEN**

There being no comment by the Representatives, the Chairman declared the topic and proposed resolution in Document CD5/32 approved.7/

The session was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

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5/ Ibid, page 20
6/ Ibid, page 24
7/ Ibid, page 15
SUMMARY RECORDS OF COMMITTEE I (PROGRAM AND BUDGET)

Second Session
Tuesday, 25 September 1951, at 10:20 a.m.

Chairman: Dr. Gerardo Segura
Vice-Chairman: Dr. Almir Castro
Rapporteur: Dr. Pedro Nogueira
Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante

Dr. Oswaldo da Costa
Pan American Sanitary Bureau

SUMMARY


Dr. Oswaldo da Costa, of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, reported on this topic.

The Representative of Colombia stated that he was in favor of planning long-range programs.

The Chairman stated that perhaps it might be necessary, when discussing the Program and Budget, to seek a modus operandi that would not place too great a burden on the Governments in their participation in the programs, but that would not impede the constantly progressing action of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau. However, he agreed with the view expressed by the Representative of Colombia.

The Representative of Brazil also agreed with this policy.
The Representative of Cuba observed that the matter under discussion involved general orientation of the Program and Budget, and that he agreed with the views expressed by the Chairman and the other representatives. He stressed the fact that the policy governing the programs, and consequently that governing the budget, should be a long-range policy since the very nature of the programs undertaken in this region excluded short-term planning. He acknowledged the close relation between the budgets of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and the national public health budgets of the various countries, and stated that the public health authorities in general regretted the fact that the funds allotted in the national budgets were always insufficient while their efforts to have these amounts increased were often in vain. He observed that the programs carried out jointly with the Pan American Sanitary Bureau were very beneficial, since they involved financial collaboration by the various countries and led to an increase in the budgets for public health services. He stated that the Government of Cuba supported the long-range budget policy, but that this implied no commitment as to figures.

The Representative of Panama expressed his complete agreement with the budget program and supported the opinions expressed by the Representatives of Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Cuba, and El Salvador in favor of long-range planning. He proposed specifically that Paragraph 4 of the operative part of the proposed resolution in Document CD5/35 be amended to insert "at least" after the word "for", and to insert "and to prepare a plan of long-range programs" after "Directing Council".

The Representative of the United States indicated that his Government favored the proposed resolution in Document CD5/35. He suggested two additional amendments: 1) in paragraph 3 of the operative part of the resolution, after the word "year", to add the following: "and the ability to the Governments to finance the budgets"; 2) in the same paragraph, to substitute the word "can" for the words "is to" so that the sentence reads: "can be implemented within a given year", instead of "is to be implemented within a given year". (The second amendment proposed by the Representative of the United States affects only the English text.)

DECISION TAKEN

The amendments proposed by the Representatives of Panama and the United States were adopted, and the Secretary was instructed to make these changes so that the operative part of the resolution would read as follows:

\[\text{Ibid, page 3}\]
"THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

"RESOLVES:

"1. To request the Director to evaluate the needs of the countries in the field of public health, indicating a priority for each need, and to present to a future meeting of the Directing Council a long-range program for the Organization, based on his findings.

"2. To consider that the eradication programs in the Americas require the highest priority within the over-all program.

"3. To recommend that future budgets be prepared against these references, taking into consideration both the statement of the Director as to what extent the general program can be implemented within a given year, and the ability of the Governments to finance the budgets.

"4. To instruct the Executive Committee to prepare, with the cooperation of the Director, a preliminary budget plan for the Organization for at least the second year following that of the meetings of the Directing Council, and to prepare a plan of long-range programs."

The Chairman welcomed Dr. Carlos Lazarte, Representative of Peru, who had just joined the meeting, and also Dr. Narcolino Candau, Representative of the World Health Organization.

The Secretary announced that Topic 9 (Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1952) submitted by the Executive Committee (Document CD5/4) would be discussed at the plenary session that afternoon, followed, if possible, by discussion of Topic 11, Proposed Program and Budget of the Region of the Americas, World Health Organization, for 1953 (Document CD5/14). He added that if there were not sufficient time to complete discussion of these topics, discussion would continue at the next plenary session.

10. **TOPIC 40: SUPPLY OF INSECTICIDES** (Document CD5/31)

Dr. Oswaldo da Costa presented this document.

The Director explained that this document did not describe the current situation, since it did not include certain developments which took place after the meeting of the Executive Committee in April 1951. He said that following that meeting, the Bureau had intensified negotiations with the Government of the United States and, as a result, license
priority had been obtained for the export of insecticides, not only for the public health services of the American nations but also for those in other parts of the world, with the important provision, however, that purchases be made during the second half of the present year. He stated that all the Governments of the Americas had been advised of the situation by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and that the other countries had been advised by the World Health Organization. He added that he had called attention to the need for purchasing 1952 requirements before the end of 1951, and stressed the fact that the Pan American Sanitary Bureau did not have funds available to cover purchases for the countries subject to subsequent reimbursement, and that it would thus be necessary that orders be accompanied by the necessary funds.

He explained that he had just received certain details of interest that did not appear in the document distributed to the Representatives, to the effect that supplies of insecticides would be greatly reduced commencing in January 1952, when purchases by the United States would be increased, and that export licenses for insecticides would be granted only in cases of real emergency. He said that an approximate estimate of insecticide requirements for the Hemisphere could not be made because many countries had not yet sent information as to the quantities they considered necessary. He added that it would be advisable for the Member Countries to notify the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and the World Health Organization of the orders they wished to place in the United States and other countries. He then read the list of the countries whose orders had already been received by the Bureau.

He called attention to the importance of the decision taken by the Government of the United States, which, in his opinion, warranted a special vote of thanks from the Directing Council.

The Representative of Guatemala proposed that the V Meeting of the Directing Council address the Governments, reminding them of the urgent need for placing their respective orders for insecticides with the Bureau or with any private sources of supply they might have, since this was a problem of interest not only to national groups but also to inter-American health.

The Representative of Ecuador supported the suggestion of the Director to express the appreciation of the Directing Council to the United States authorities.

He explained that Ecuador prepared its budgets according to the calendar year and that it would be difficult to order, at one time, the necessary quantity of insecticides for the 1952 and 1953 campaigns, since the budget did not allot funds in advance for expenditures to be incurred in subsequent years.
The Representative of Cuba, after supporting the recommendation of the Director to express the appreciation of the Directing Council to the Government of the United States, pointed out that the list of countries that had submitted orders for insecticides for 1952 did not include the estimate sent by the Government of Cuba. He stated that the immediate situation required that countries submit their orders for insecticides so that these could be sent before the end of the year, and said that the Bureau should prepare a theoretical maximum estimate of probable consumption of insecticides per year, for the next two or three years, by the countries in the Region of the Americas, as well as initiate a study of the most appropriate channels for obtaining protection quotas.

The Representative of the Netherlands explained Holland's policy of using insecticides to treat only the places that required them, and not for extensive campaigns. He said that Holland had followed this practice since Paris green had been used, and it was known as "pin point spraying", or selective spraying.

The Chairman supported the proposal to express the appreciation of the Directing Council to the United States Government.

The Director read the present prices of insecticides officially accepted by the Government of the United States, to be effective for the remainder of the year 1951.

The Chairman reminded the Representatives that there were two points remaining for consideration, one being the proposal of the Representative of Guatemala that the Directing Council, acting as such, prepare a document at this Meeting to remind the various Governments of the urgent need for them to submit their orders, calling their attention to the importance of procuring these products for reasons of a national as well as international nature.

The Representative of Panama supported the proposal of the Representative of Guatemala. He requested that the Council's recommendation to the Governments should also suggest to all the Governments of the Americas that they submit to the Pan American Sanitary Bureau an estimate of the amounts of insecticides needed in the coming years, so as to enable the Bureau to estimate the theoretical minimum quota mentioned by the Representative of Cuba.

The Chairman asked the Representative of Cuba whether he thought the proposal of the Representative of Panama, added to the proposal of the Representative of Guatemala, completed the point of view he had expressed, so that the Bureau, with information furnished by the Member Governments, might prepare the total estimate of the annual Pan American quota of insecticides. He suggested that in this way the three proposals could be embodied in one.
The aforementioned Representatives expressed their agreement and there being no objection, the Chairman declared the topic approved.  

The Representative of Ecuador reminded the Representatives that the resolution expressing a vote of appreciation to the Government of the United States was still to be adopted.  

DECISION TAKEN  

The resolution expressing a vote of thanks to the United States was unanimously approved.  

The session was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.  

2/ Ibid, page 22
SUMMARY RECORDS OF COMMITTEE I (PROGRAM AND BUDGET)

Third Session
Friday, 28 September 1951, at 3:55 p.m.

Chairman: Dr. Gerardo Segura Argentina
Vice-Chairman: Dr. Almir Castro Brazil
Rapporteur: Dr. Pedro Nogueira Cuba
Secretary: Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante Pan American Sanitary Bureau
Dr. Oswaldo da Costa Pan American Sanitary Bureau

SUMMARY


12. Topic 21: (Continuation) Request of the Pan American Medical Confederation for recognition by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau


14. Topic 37: General program of work for a specific period: long-range project for regional needs (Document CD5/59 - Rev. 1)

11. TOPIC 21: PAN AMERICAN SANITARY ORGANIZATION RELATIONS WITH NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS ENGAGED IN INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH AND PREVENTIVE MEDICINE ACTIVITIES (INTER-AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF SANITARY ENGINEERING) (Doc. CD5/41 and Annex I)

The Chairman informed the Representatives that the Executive Committee, at its 13th Meeting held in Washington, D. C., in April 1951, expressed an opinion contrary to this kind of a commitment.
Before the examination of the Proposed Agreement between the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and the AIDIS was begun, the Representative of Cuba stated that the Government of Cuba seconded the request of the Pan American Medical Confederation to be officially recognized by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau as a non-governmental Pan American medical organization.

The Representative of Ecuador supported the recommendation of the Representative of Cuba.

The Chairman stated that the question of the Pan American Medical Confederation would be submitted for discussion after Document CD5/41 and Annex I thereto had been discussed (Proposal for Cooperative Agreement with the Inter-American Association of Sanitary Engineering, AIDIS).

This document gave rise to a discussion in which the Representatives of Brazil, Cuba, Ecuador, Mexico, the United States, and Venezuela took part, together with the Chairman and the Director.

The Representative of Venezuela proposed that the existing relations be continued without an Agreement being signed, in view of the fact that the amount of $10,000 had been allotted in the 1952 Budget as the Pan American Sanitary Bureau's contribution to the quarterly publication of AIDIS.

DECISION TAKEN

It was agreed that the Pan American Sanitary Bureau would continue to support AIDIS during the year 1952, as it had been doing up to the present time, without signing any agreement.10/

12. TOPIC 21: (Continuation) REQUEST OF THE PAN AMERICAN MEDICAL CONFEDERATION FOR RECOGNITION BY THE Pan American Sanitary Bureau

The Director informed the Representatives that the World Health Organization had established a criterion for the recognition of non-governmental organizations and had appointed a permanent subcommittee of its Executive Board to examine and decide upon requests of this kind that were made to the World Health Organization. He stated that the responsibility of deciding on these problems should not rest on the Director, and suggested that the Directing Council delegate to the Executive Committee, or to a subcommittee, the task of studying the question and making recommendations.

The Representative of Cuba stated that the Pan American Sanitary Bureau had the complete documents referring to the credentials of the

10/ Ibid, page 5
Pan American Medical Confederation, including the document accredit- ing it as a regional organization of the World Medical Association, which was recognized by the World Health Organization; and that the request of the Pan American Medical Confederation was simply limited to a request that it be officially recognized by the Directing Council, Regional Committee of the World Health Organization, in order to permit it to establish relations. In order not to postpone decision, he suggested that the Directing Council appoint a subcommittee to study the credentials of the Pan American Medical Confederation and present its recommendations to the V Meeting of the Directing Council.

The Representative of Costa Rica contended that since the World Medical Association had been recognized by the World Health Organization; and furthermore since an Observer of the Confederation was present and able to answer any questions on this matter, he saw no need to appoint a subcommittee to study the credentials.

The Representatives of Brazil, Colombia, France, Guatemala, Mexico, and Panama supported the contention of the Representative of Costa Rica. The Representatives of Argentina and of Cuba also took part in the discussion.

DECISION TAKEN

It was agreed that the Pan American Medical Confederation would be officially recognized by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau without prior study of the question by a subcommittee.11/ The Representative of the Dominican Republic requested that it go on record that he had abstained from voting for lack of instructions from his Government.

The Chairman invited the Vice-Chairman, Dr. Almir Castro, Representative of Brazil, to take the Chair. Dr. Castro expressed appreciation for the honor, on his own behalf and that of his Government.

13. TOPIC 22: STUDY OF FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES OF PAN AMERICAN HEALTH
(Document CD5/58)

Several Representatives took the floor to congratulate the Director on the preparation of this document.

A number of amendments were proposed by the Representatives of El Salvador, Mexico and Panama to clarify and improve the wording of the

11/ Ibid, page 6
fundamental principles of Pan American health. On the proposal of the Chairman, it was agreed that the Governments would send their suggestions a posteriori to the Pan American Sanitary Bureau so that they might be taken into consideration.

DECISION TAKEN

It was agreed to approve Document CD5/58, in principle, and to request the opinions of the Governments so that the study and preparation of the document could be continued.12/


The Representative of Venezuela proposed that this topic be taken up the following Monday in plenary session.

DECISION TAKEN

The proposal was unanimously approved.

The session was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

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12/ Ibid, page 8
SUMMARY RECORDS
OF THE SESSIONS HELD BY
COMMITTEE II
SUMMARY RECORDS OF COMMITTEE II
(ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE AND LEGAL MATTERS)

First Session
Monday, 24 September 1951, at 3:45 p.m.

Chairman: Dr. H. van Zile Hyde United States
Secretary: Mr. Harry A. Hinderer Pan American Sanitary Bureau

SUMMARY

1. **Topic 13:** Authorization to the Executive Committee to act as working party on behalf of the Regional Committee for the Americas of the World Health Organization (Document CD5/11)

2. **Topic 15:** Provisional Financial Regulations (Document CD5/5 and Annex I)

3. **Topic 16:** Composition of the Working Capital Fund (Document CD5/6)

4. **Topic 17:** Status of the Working Capital Fund (Document CD5/7)

5. **Topic 18:** Emergency Procurement Revolving Fund (Document CD5/8 - Rev. 1)


7. **Topic 29:** Staff Regulations of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau (Document CD5/12 and Annex I)

8. **Topic 31:** Proposed increased contribution by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to the Pan American Union Retirement and Pension Plan (Document CD5/17)

9. **Topic 32:** Designation of external auditor(s) (Document CD5/15)

10. Report on pending topics on the Agenda
1. **TOPIC 13: AUTHORIZATION TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO ACT AS WORKING PARTY ON BEHALF OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE FOR THE AMERICAS OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION** (Document CD5/11)

The Chairman explained the purpose of Document CD5/11.

The Representative of the United States moved that the resolution be amended to read:

"WHEREAS:

"The Directing Council acts as Regional Committee of the World Health Organization, and in that capacity reviews the budget of the Regional Office for the Americas;

"The Executive Committee studies the Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Organization prior to the consideration thereof by the Directing Council; and

"It is desirable that the Executive Committee, when reviewing the Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Organization, have available a complete picture of the planned activities of the Bureau for any given period,

"THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

"RESOLVES:

"To authorize the Executive Committee of the Directing Council to act also as a working party on behalf of the Regional Committee for the Americas in reviewing all matters concerning administration, budget and finance."

DEcision Taken:

The resolution submitted by the Representative of the United States was unanimously approved.1/

2. **TOPIC 15: PROVISIONAL FINANCIAL REGULATIONS** (Document CD5/5 and Annex 1)

DEcision Taken:

This document was unanimously approved, without discussion.2/

1/ See Report of the Rapporteur of Committee II (Document CD5/68 - Annex I), page 3
2/ Ibid, page 7
3. **TOPIC 16: COMPOSITION OF THE WORKING CAPITAL FUND** (Document CD5/6)

The Representative of the United States moved that the second paragraph of the preamble of the resolution in Document CD5/6 be amended to read: "... that the cruzeiros received as a special contribution from the Government of Brazil be included in the Working Capital Fund as an integral part thereof."

**DECISION TAKEN**

The document was unanimously approved with the proposed amendment. 3/

4. **TOPIC 17: STATUS OF WORKING CAPITAL FUND** (Document CD5/7)

**DECISION TAKEN**

The document was unanimously approved without discussion. 4/

5. **TOPIC 18: EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT REVOLVING FUND** (Document CD5/8 - Rev.1)

**DECISION TAKEN**

The document was unanimously approved without discussion. 5/

6. **TOPIC 24: REPORT ON PARTICIPATION IN UNITED NATIONS JOINT STAFF PENSION PLAN** (Document CD5/13)

**DECISION TAKEN**

The document was unanimously approved without discussion. 6/

7. **TOPIC 29: STAFF REGULATIONS OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU**
   (Document CD5/12 and Annex I)

**DECISION TAKEN**

The document was unanimously approved without discussion. 7/

3/ Ibid, page 8
4/ Ibid, page 9
5/ Ibid, page 10
6/ Ibid, page 15
7/ Ibid, page 18
8. **TOPIC 31:** PROPOSED INCREASED CONTRIBUTION BY THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU TO THE PAN AMERICAN UNION RETIREMENT AND PENSION PLAN (Document CD5/17)

**DECISION TAKEN**

The document was unanimously approved without discussion.\(^8/\)

9. **TOPIC 32:** DESIGNATION OF EXTERNAL AUDITOR(S) (Document CD5/15)

The Representative of the United States moved to postpone discussion of this topic.

**DECISION TAKEN**

This motion was unanimously approved.

10. **REPORT ON PENDING TOPICS ON THE AGENDA**

The Secretary announced that discussion of Topics 14, 23, 25 and 30 had been postponed in order to give the members of Committee II an opportunity to study the Final Report of the Executive Committee. He added that Topic 19 would be presented for discussion as soon as the Audit Report had been received.

**DECISION TAKEN**

This procedure was approved.

The Chairman stated that the time of the next meeting would be announced in due course.

The session was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

\(^8/\) *Ibid*, page 20
SUMMARY RECORDS OF COMMITTEE II
(ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE AND LEGAL MATTERS)

Second Session
Tuesday, 25 September 1951, at 10:25 a.m.

Chairman: Dr. H. van Zile Hyde United States
Vice-Chairman: Dr. Juan A. Montalván Ecuador
Rapporteur: Dr. Jesús Villalobos Venezuela
Secretary: Mr. Harry A. Hinderer Pan American Sanitary Bureau

SUMMARY

11. Election of Vice-Chairman and Rapporteur of Committee II

12. Topic 14: Means for facilitating payment of quota contributions by Member Governments (Documents CD5/19, CE14/10 and Annex I)


14. Topic 23: Special compensation for bilingual staff members (Documents CD5/20, CE14/5)


17. Topic 32: Designation of external auditor(s) (Continuation) (Document CD5/15)

11. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN AND RAPPORTEUR OF COMMITTEE II

The Chairman requested the Representatives to elect the Vice-Chairman and Rapporteur for Committee II. He proposed the Representative of Ecuador for Vice-Chairman and the Representative of the Dominican Republic for Rapporteur.

The Representative of the Dominican Republic requested that the Committee nominate another Representative, and the Chairman then proposed the Representative of Venezuela for Rapporteur.
DECISION TAKEN

The Representatives of Ecuador and Venezuela were elected Vice-Chairman and Rapporteur, respectively.

12. **TOPIC 14: MEANS FOR FACILITATING PAYMENT OF QUOTA CONTRIBUTIONS BY MEMBER GOVERNMENTS** (Documents CD5/19, CE14/10 and Annex I)

The Chairman referred to the action taken by the Director and to the resolution adopted by the Executive Committee on this topic.

**DECISION TAKEN**

It was unanimously agreed to confirm Resolution VI approved by the Executive Committee at its 14th Meeting. (Document CE14/20 - Rev. 2)9/


The Chairman referred to the Financial Statements and Report submitted by the External Auditors (Document CE13/6.3, Annex I). There was no discussion.

**DECISION TAKEN**

The proposed resolution contained in Document CD5/9 was unanimously approved.10/

14. **TOPIC 23: SPECIAL COMPENSATION FOR BILINGUAL STAFF MEMBERS** (Documents CD5/20, CE14/5)

The Chairman referred to the provisional measures taken by the Director in this matter, and requested the Committee to confirm Resolution IX adopted by the Executive Committee at its 14th Meeting (Document CE14/20 - Rev. 2). There was no discussion.

**DECISION TAKEN**

This proposal was unanimously approved.11/

9/ Ibid, page 5  
10/ Ibid, page 12  
11/ Ibid, page 13
15. **TOPIC 25: STATUS OF CONTINGENCY FUND** (Documents CD5/21, CE14/4)

    The Chairman commented on this topic.

    **DECISION TAKEN**

    Resolution VIII adopted by the Executive Committee at its 14th Meeting (Document CE14/20 - Rev. 2) was unanimously confirmed.\(^\text{12/}\)


    The Representative of the Dominican Republic called attention to the fact that the term "Servicio Militar" in the Spanish text of rule 655 of the Staff Rules did not agree with the English text.

    **DECISION TAKEN**

    Document CD5/16 and Annex I were approved with the necessary correction in the Spanish text.\(^\text{13/}\)

17. **TOPIC 32: DESIGNATION OF EXTERNAL AUDITOR(S) -- Continuation** (Document CD5/15)

    **DECISION TAKEN**

    It was agreed to send a cablegram to Mr. Uno Brunskog inquiring whether he would accept the post of External Auditor.

    The session was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

\(^{12/}\)Ibid, page 16

\(^{13/}\)Ibid, page 19
SUMMARY RECORDS OF COMMITTEE II
(ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE AND LEGAL MATTERS)

Third Session
Friday, 28 September 1951, at 3:55 p.m.

Chairman: Dr. H. van Zile Hyde
Vice-Chairman: Dr. Juan A. Montalván
Rapporteur: Dr. Jesús Villalebos
Secretary: Mr. Harry A. Hinderer

SUMMARY

18. **Topic 29:** Staff Regulations of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau -- Conclusion (Document CD5/12 and Annex I)

19. Report Submitted by the Rapporteur of Committee II

20. **Topic 32:** Designation of External Auditor(s) -- Conclusion (Document CD5/15)

21. **Topic 13:** Authorization to the Executive Committee to act as working party on behalf of the Regional Committee for the Americas of the World Health Organization -- Conclusion (Document CD5/11)

22. **Topic 44:** Financial participation in the PASO Budget of France, Great Britain and the Netherlands on behalf of their dependent territories in the Region of the Americas (Document CD5/57)

18. **TOpic 29:** STAFF REGULATIONS OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU -- Conclusion (Document CD5/12 and Annex I)

The Representative of the United States proposed that the resolution in Document CD5/12 be amended to read as follows:
"To adopt the Staff Regulations as set forth in Document CD5/12, Annex I, as the official Staff Regulations for the staff of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, it being understood that Regulation 11.2 shall not become operative until the arrangements with the United Nations Administrative Tribunal are completed, and that in the interim the present appeals procedure shall remain in force."

DECISION TAKEN

The draft resolution, with the amendment proposed, was unanimously approved.\textsuperscript{14}

19. REPORT SUBMITTED BY THE RAPPORTEUR OF COMMITTEE II (Document CD5/53)

The Report of the Rapporteur of Committee II was submitted for discussion.

DECISION TAKEN

The Report was unanimously approved without discussion.

20. TOPIC 32: DESIGNATION OF EXTERNAL AUDITOR(S) -- Conclusion (Document CD5/15)

The Secretary read the cablegram sent by Mr. Uno Brunskog, in which the latter indicated that he was agreeable to accepting the post of External Auditor under certain conditions; these conditions were deemed reasonable by the Committee. The Secretary then proposed preparation of a resolution making the appointment and authorizing the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to negotiate details of the contract with the Auditor.

DECISION TAKEN

The above proposal was approved.\textsuperscript{15}

21. TOPIC 13: AUTHORIZATION TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO ACT AS WORKING PARTY ON BEHALF OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE FOR THE AMERICAS OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION -- Conclusion (Document CD5/11)

The Representative of France requested that the three Metropolitan Governments be granted equitable representation on the Working Party of

\textsuperscript{14} Ibid, page 18
\textsuperscript{15} Ibid, page 22
the Executive Committee that was to discuss the Budget for the Region of the Americas, World Health Organization.

The Representatives of the Dominican Republic and the United Kingdom took part in the discussion. The Chairman suggested that the resolution be drafted by the Secretary and the Rapporteur, and that it be submitted subsequently to a plenary session of the Directing Council.

The Representative of the United States proposed that the request of the Representative of France be incorporated in a new paragraph to be added to the resolution in question.

DECISION TAKEN

The above proposal was unanimously approved. 16/


The Secretary read the proposed resolution contained in Document CD5/57.

The Representative of the United States proposed that in the first paragraph of the preamble the word "may" be substituted for "desire to".

The Chairman stated that the Rapporteur should be notified at the proper time of any other modification in form that was deemed desirable.

DECISION TAKEN

The proposed resolution, with the suggested amendment, was unanimously approved. 17/

The session was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

16/ Ibid, page 3
17/ Ibid, page 24
SUMMARY RECORDS
OF THE SESSIONS HELD BY THE
GENERAL COMMITTEE
SUMMARY RECORDS OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE

First Session
Monday, 24 September 1951, at 1:00 p.m.

Present:

Dr. Nacianceno Romero, Chairman of the Council
Chile

Dr. Leonardo Somarriba, Vice-Chairman of the Council
Nicaragua

Dr. Hugo Peña, Vice-Chairman of the Council
Paraguay

Dr. Gerardo Segura, Chairman of Committee I
Argentina

Dr. H. van Zile Hyde, Chairman of Committee II
United States

Dr. Almir Castro, Representative
Brazil

Dr. Carlos L. González, Representative
Venezuela

Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante, Secretary
Pan American Sanitary Bureau

The Secretary explained the functions of the General Committee, which is responsible for ensuring the smooth progress of the Meeting, for coordinating meetings of the committees and the plenary sessions of the Council, and, in particular, for seeing that the program is carried out as scheduled.

Dr. van Zile Hyde proposed that some of the agenda topics, particularly Nos. 9, 10, 11, 20, 26, 27 and 34, be referred to plenary sessions of the Directing Council, so as to avoid duplication of discussion.

Following a discussion in which all members of the Committee and the Chairman took part, it was agreed to adopt the proposal of the Representative of the United States.
The Secretary stated that this procedure would give the committees more time than they needed, so that it would be necessary to allot more time to plenary sessions. He therefore suggested that a plenary session be held on Tuesday afternoon, 25 September.

After a brief discussion, and at the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee agreed to establish a quorum of seven for meetings of the two main committees.

The Committee agreed to assign the following topics of the Draft Agenda to Committee I (Program and Budget): Nos. 12, 21, 22, 28, 33, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, and 41; and to assign the following topics to Committee II (Administration, Finance and Legal Matters): Nos. 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 25, 29, 30, 31, and 32 (Document CD5/1 - Rev.2), No. 42 (Revision of the Rules of Procedure), and No. 43 (Proposals of the Executive Committee).

The session was adjourned at 1:35 p.m.
SUMMARY RECORDS OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE
Second Session
Tuesday, 25 September 1951, at 12:50 p.m.

Present:

Dr. Nacianceno Romero, Chairman of the Council
Dr. Leonardo Somarriba, Vice-Chairman of the Council
Dr. Hugo Peña, Vice-Chairman of the Council
Dr. Gerardo Segura, Chairman of Committee I
Dr. H. van Zile Hyde, Chairman of Committee II
Dr. Almir Castro, Representative
Dr. Carlos L. González, Representative
Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante, Secretary

Chile
Nicaragua
Paraguay
Argentina
United States
Brazil
Venezuela
Pan American Sanitary Bureau

The Secretary stated that, pursuant to the decision of the General Committee, the plenary session that afternoon would discuss Topic 9 of the agenda: Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1952 (Document CD5/4), and that to introduce this topic he would read the resolutions adopted by the Executive Committee on the Proposed Program and Budget and on designation of the two representatives who were to submit this document.

The Representative of the United States suggested that the revision of the Constitution be discussed before consideration was given to the Proposed Program and Budget, since the former topic involved the status of European States in the Organization and by studying this topic it could be determined what persons were entitled to take part in the discussion of the Proposed Program and Budget.
The Representative of Argentina proposed that the Proposed Program and Budget be considered first, in view of the fact that the revision of the Constitution might be the subject of long debate and in that case the Directing Council might run the risk of not having sufficient time to proceed with a detailed examination of the budget.

The Representative of the United States expressed the opinion that the future status of representatives of the European States should be defined. The Representative of Argentina observed that a decision on this matter could be postponed until later since up to the present time the work had proceeded well under the present system.

The Representative of the United States referred to the privileges that representatives of the European States had enjoyed at the last meeting, including the right to speak and vote, stating that he believed it necessary to specify whether they were to enjoy the same privileges at the present meeting.

The Representative of Argentina stressed the fact that the Proposed Program and Budget had been scheduled to be discussed first, and that the representatives would come to the afternoon session prepared to consider that topic, rather than the revision of the Constitution.

The Representative of the United States admitted this point, but requested the Chairman to remind the representatives of the European States what their present status was, until such time as the Council made a final decision on this matter. The Chairman said he was willing to follow the suggestion of the Representative of the United States.

It was agreed that the plenary session that afternoon would consider first the Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1952 (Document CD5/4) and the Proposed Program and Budget of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1953 (Document CD5/25); that if it did not complete discussion of these topics at today's session, discussion would continue at the plenary session on Wednesday morning, 26 September; and that the revision of the Constitution would be the next topic considered.

The Representative of Venezuela called attention to the fact that the report of the Committee on Credentials was still to be submitted. The Committee decided that this report would be submitted at the session that afternoon, 25 September 1951.

The session was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.
SUMMARY RECORDS OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE

Third Session
Wednesday, 26 September 1951, at 12:55 p.m.

Present:

Dr. Nacianceno Romero,
Chairman of the Council
Chile

Dr. Leonardo Somarriba,
Vice-Chairman of the Council
Nicaragua

Dr. Hugo Peña,
Vice-Chairman of the Council
Paraguay

Dr. Gerardo Segura,
Chairman of Committee I
Argentina

Dr. H. van Zile Hyde,
Chairman of Committee II
United States

Dr. Almir Castro, Representative
Brazil

Dr. Carlos L. González, Representative
Venezuela

Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante, Secretary
Pan American Sanitary Bureau

Dr. Paulo C. A. Antunes (ex officio)
Pan American Sanitary Bureau

The Secretary stated that, pursuant to the Rules of Procedure, the General Committee must receive the reports of all committees 43 hours prior to submitting them to the plenary session of the Directing Council. He pointed out that no report or communication had yet been received from the committees, and requested the chairmen to see that the rapporteurs sent the reports as soon as possible.

The Representative of the United States said that Committee II had completed all its topics except the one on External Auditors, which was awaiting reply to a telegram sent the previous day to Mr. Uno Brunskog.
He called attention to the fact that a working party had been appointed to study the salaries of non-classified staff members, and stated that he believed it preferable that the working party report the Directing Council directly, without going through Committee II.

This suggestion was approved.

The Representative of Argentina asked how many plenary sessions were still to be held.

During the discussion that followed, it was stated that this depended on the decision of the General Committee; that after the plenary session that day (26 September), devoted to revision of the Constitution, discussion of this topic would be continued in the event it was not completed at the morning plenary session on 27 September 1951, after which the revision of the Pan American Sanitary Code and the Rules of Procedure would remain for consideration.

The Representative of Argentina proposed that plenary sessions be held on Saturday.

The Secretary pointed out the difficulties that the above proposal would encounter because of the accumulation of work this would cause in the Secretariat services, which needed Saturday and Sunday (September 29 and 30) for processing pending documents.

After these explanations, it was agreed to continue the plenary session of the afternoon of 26 September 1951 at 8:00 p.m., after a recess (commencing at 5:30 p.m.) for presentation of moving pictures. It was also agreed that the morning plenary sessions should henceforth commence at 9:00 a.m.; that the election of two members to the Executive Committee should take place at the plenary session of Friday afternoon, 28 September; and that Committees I and II could meet on Friday morning, 28 September.

The session was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.
SUMMARY RECORDS OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE
Fourth Session
Thursday, 27 September 1951, at 12:40 p.m.

Present:

Dr. Nacianceno Romero,
Chairman of the Council
Chile

Dr. Leonardo Somarriba,
Vice-Chairman of the Council
Nicaragua

Dr. Hugo Peña,
Vice-Chairman of the Council
Paraguay

Dr. Gerardo Segura,
Chairman of Committee I
Argentina

Dr. H. van Zile Hyde
Chairman of Committee II
United States

Dr. Almir Castro, Representative
Brazil

Dr. Carlos L. González, Representative
Venezuela

Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante, Secretary
Pan American Sanitary Bureau

After the session was called to order by the Chairman, the committee studied the program of meetings and the status of work in order to fix the date on which the Directing Council could close its Meeting. It was decided that the Meeting could be closed on 2 October 1951, as scheduled, subject to the following program:

A plenary session would be held on Friday morning, 28 September, to discuss the resolution on the Pan American Sanitary Code and to elect two Member Countries to the Executive Committee; if time permitted after discussion of these two topics, the session would also consider the selection of topics for the First Inter-American Congress of Public Health, as well as revision of the Rules of Procedure. If there were not sufficient time, the latter topic would be taken up at the plenary session on Monday morning, 1 October.

On Friday afternoon, 28 September, Committees I and II would meet to conclude the study of topics submitted to them for consideration so that the rapporteurs could submit their reports to the plenary session on Monday morning, 1 October.
SUMMARY RECORDS OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE

Fifth Session
Monday, 1 October 1951, at 12:35 p.m.

Present:

Dr. Nacianceno Romero, Chairman of the Council
Chile

Dr. Leonardo Somarriba, Vice-Chairman of the Council
Nicaragua

Dr. Hugo Peña, Vice-Chairman of the Council
Paraguay

Dr. Gerardo Segura, Chairman of Committee I
Argentina

Dr. H. van Zile Hyde, Chairman of Committee II
United States

Dr. Almir Castro, Representative
Brazil

Dr. Carlos L. González, Representative
Venezuela

Dr. Fred L. Soper (ex officio)
Pan American Sanitary Bureau

Dr. Paulo C. A. Antunes
Pan American Sanitary Bureau

Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante, Secretary
Pan American Sanitary Bureau

After the session was called to order by the Chairman, the Committee studied the status of the work of the Directing Council. The Secretary suggested that, in view of the small number of resolutions adopted at the session that morning (1 October), the Representatives should be informed that unless the discussions proceeded more quickly the meeting would have to be continued two days beyond the scheduled closing date.

The Representative of Argentina requested the Chairman to open the session that afternoon with the request that the Representatives be brief in their statements unless there were proposals intended to change the meaning of a resolution.
The Chairman stated that he was willing to make the recommendation proposed by the Representative of Argentina.

The Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau suggested that a plenary session be held that same evening in order to expedite the work, particularly since some of the Representatives had already made arrangements to leave Washington on Wednesday, 3 October. The Representative of Venezuela seconded this proposal, and requested that the closing session be held on Wednesday morning, 3 October. After several Representatives had expressed their agreement with the proposal of the Director, it was decided to hold a plenary session on Monday, 1 October, at 8:30 p.m.

The session was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.
SUMMARY RECORDS OF THE GENERAL COMMITTEE

Sixth Session
Tuesday, 22 October 1951, at 4:30 p. m.

Present:

Dr. Nacianceno Romero,
Chairman of the Council
Chile

Dr. Leonardo Somarriba;
Vice-Chairman of the Council
Nicaragua

Dr. Hugo Peña,
Vice-Chairman of the Council
Paraguay

Dr. Carlos Alberto Errecart,
Alternate
Argentina

Dr. H. van Zile Hyde
Chairman of Committee II
United States

Dr. Almir Castro, Representative
Brazil

Dr. Carlos L. González, Representative
Venezuela

Dr. Fred L. Soper (ex officio)
Pan American Sanitary Bureau

Dr. Paulo C. A. Antunes
Pan American Sanitary Bureau

Dr. Miguel E. Bustamante, Secretary
Pan American Sanitary Bureau

After the session was called to order by the Chairman, the Secretary called attention to the following points that were pending decision by the General Committee: Order of the Day for the Closing Session of the Directing Council, which was scheduled to be held on Wednesday, 3 October; time of the meeting of the Executive Committee that was to follow thereafter; votes of thanks from the V Meeting of the Directing Council.
It was decided to schedule the meeting of the Executive Committee for Wednesday morning, 3 October, following the Closing Session of the Council; and in the event time did not permit, to schedule it for 2:30 p.m. on 3 October.

It was announced that the Observer of the World Federation for Mental Health wished to make a brief statement to the Directing Council regarding the forthcoming Congress of Mental Health to be held at Mexico City from 8 to 18 December 1951. It was agreed that the Observer of the Federation would be given the floor at the Closing Session.

Attention was called to the fact that the Council had not yet implemented Paragraph 4 of Resolution XXVI, approved the preceding day, which called for the appointment of three Representatives to draft the Protocol referred to in Paragraph 2 of the said resolution.

A discussion followed, in which the Representatives of Argentina, Brazil, the United States and Venezuela took part. It was agreed to assign this matter as Item 1 of the Order of the Day of the Closing Session, and to propose that the three Representatives in question be chosen from Member States on the Executive Committee, which was to be entrusted with matters concerning the Protocol.

It was agreed that the date of the Executive Committee meeting in April 1952 would be fixed by the Committee at its 15th Meeting, with consideration given to the fact that Holy Week will last from 6 to 13 April.

The following items were assigned to the Order of the Day of the Closing Session, in the order in which they appear.

- Announcement by the Observer of the World Federation for Mental Health.
- Votes of thanks to the following:
  - The President of the United States of America
  - The Secretary of State
  - The President of the Institute of Inter-American Affairs
  - The Surgeon General of the United States Public Health Service
  - The Chief of the United States Delegation to the Directing Council
  - The Director, officers and staff of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau

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Attention was called to the fact that the Representative of Ecuador was to propose a vote of thanks to Dr. John R. Murdock, former Assistant Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau. This motion was left for the Closing Session, at the request of the Representative of the Dominican Republic.

The Representative of Venezuela inquired whether the Report of the Directing Council to the Member States was to be considered at the session scheduled for the following day.

The Secretary commented on the technical difficulties always encountered in the drafting of this Report, which was required by the Constitution. He stated that the present Meeting of the Council had appointed a committee of four members (Colombia, Guatemala, Haiti and the United States) to prepare this Report; that the Representative of Guatemala, Dr. Luis F. Galich, had been entrusted with the drafting of the Report and hoped to be able to submit it to the Council at the Closing Session.

The Representative of Argentina suggested that, if the present procedure involved difficulties, a new procedure should be developed. The Representative of the United States suggested that the Final Report, embodying the resolutions of the Directing Council, together with the Report of the Director, could constitute the Report of the Directing Council to the Member Governments. This motion was seconded by the Representative of Brazil.

The session was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.
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