INFORMATION ON NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

1. Name of organization

International Organization against Trachoma

2. Address of Headquarters


3. Addresses of all Branch or Regional Headquarters

None

4. Membership

(a) Total number of persons

31 persons plus the members of the five organizations listed in (c) below.

(b) Do these persons pay directly or are the subscriptions paid by affiliated organizations?

Directly

(c) List affiliated organizations, giving their country, and the total number of persons belonging to each

The Ophthalmological Society of Egypt with 321 members
The American Ophthalmological Society with 210 members
The Dutch Ophthalmological Society, number of members unknown (to be supplied later)
The All-India Ophthalmological Society, number of members unknown (to be supplied later)
The American Academy of Ophthalmology, number of members unknown (to be supplied later)

(d) Note various types of membership, such as associate members, with numbers and pertinent facts

Ordinary and honorary. (There is only one honorary member.)
5. **General purposes of the organization**

The study of trachoma with its complications and their prevention.

6. (a) **What is the primary function of the organization and (b) secondary functions?**

(a) To maintain contact between workers on trachoma by a General Assembly whenever there is a meeting of the International Congress of Ophthalmology; and by its organ, the Revue Internationale du Trachome.

7. **Question eliminated**

8. (a) **Does the organization advocate any special health measures or procedures?**

No

(b) **Has the organization any special reservations as to treatment or health procedures?**

No

9. **Can officially designated representatives speak authoritatively for the membership on matters concerned with the stated purposes of the organization?**

Yes

10. **Specific interest with reference to the work of the World Health Organization**

The Organization covers the same field of activity as the Panel of Experts on Trachoma set up by the World Health Organization.

11. **Officers. (Names and positions held, including the Chief Executive Officer or Secretary and other principal administrative officials. What is the total number of paid officer personnel? Please distinguish between those with the international organization and those with the national or local groups attached thereto.)**

**President:** Dr. A.F. MacCallan

**Honorary Secretary:** Prof. Arnold Sorsby

**Paid personnel:** none
12. Structure. (a) Policy making bodies such as Conference, Governing Body, Executive Committee, (b) frequency of meetings, with date of the last meeting of each, (c) voting procedure, (d) affiliation with other organizations, including international organizations.

(a) The Council

(b) Yearly. 22 June 1953

(c) Voting on matters concerning individual persons shall be made in writing. Voting on business matters shall be made orally. The President will decide in the case of equal votes. In urgent matters or matters which are not of great importance the Secretary-General is authorized to call for a written vote of the Executive Committee on simple questions without a meeting of this Committee. If, however, the replies received indicate that more than one third of the members are opposed to this method, the voting must be postponed until the next meeting.

(d) A constituent part of the International Congress of Ophthalmology and of the International Federation of Ophthalmological Societies.

13. Finances. (Annual budget and sources of income, noting portion received from membership dues.)

Annual dues of members and donations from ophthalmological societies. (See Appendix A)

14. History

The Organization was created in 1929 by decision of the XIIIth Concilium Ophthalmologicum at Amsterdam.

15. Activities

Meetings and the publication as indicated.

16. Publications

Revue Internationale du Trachome (published jointly with La Ligue contre le Trachome).

17. Documentation

Three copies of Constitution held by WHO Secretariat.
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The following information is given to amplify question 4 (a) and (c) -

Membership.

(a) Total number of persons: 2912

(c) The Dutch Ophthalmological Society: 192

The All-India Ophthalmological Society: 247

The American Academy of Ophthalmology: 1942