



HOUSING OF STAFF OF THE REGIONAL OFFICE FOR AFRICA

Report by the Director-General

1. The Director-General made a report<sup>1</sup> on the housing of staff of the Regional Office for Africa to the Executive Board at its thirty-first session and now wishes to inform the Board of developments to date. The Board was informed that, after engineering studies had been made, a different site was purchased and not the one originally mentioned, on which there were four villas.
2. The preliminary plans for the building of two apartment blocks, as was originally contemplated, one containing eighteen one-bedroom apartments and the other containing three three-bedroom and three four-bedroom apartments, have been completed and the work on the detailed plans is almost complete. The architect is proceeding to prepare the detailed invitations for bids, which are expected to be completed in about thirty days. According to the architect's estimate of the time needed to obtain tenders from contractors, to examine those tenders and to award the contracts, the construction work is expected to commence in a few months and to be completed early in 1964.
3. The architect believes that these two apartment blocks can be constructed within the present budgetary provisions but, until tenders have been received and examined, the final costs cannot be determined.
4. The Director-General is still studying the future housing needs at the Regional Office, as well as the related problem of real estate management, but has not found it possible to make a report on these subjects to the Board at this time. He will make a further progress report to the Board at its thirty-third session.

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<sup>1</sup> Off. Rec. Wld Hlth Org. 124, Annex 12, p. 54

5. The Board may wish to consider adopting a resolution along the following lines:

"The Executive Board,

Having considered a report by the Director-General on the housing  
of staff of the Regional Office for Africa,

NOTES the report."