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REPORT OF THE DR A. T. SHOUSHA FOUNDATION COMMITTEE

(Meeting of 22 January 1971)

The Dr A. T. Shousha Foundation Committee met on 22 January 1971 in conformity with the Statutes of the Dr A. T. Shousha Foundation under the Chairmanship of Dr J. Anouti.

The Committee reviewed the replies received from Member States of the geographic area in which Dr A. T. Shousha served the World Health Organization, and from one of the former recipients of the Prize, together with the supporting documentation.

Although the Committee was impressed by the high merit of each of the candidates proposed and their significant contribution to the health of the area defined by the Statutes of the Foundation, it decided to recommend to the World Health Assembly that the Dr A. T. Shousha Prize for 1971 be awarded to Dr Chamseddine M. H. Mofidi.

Dr Mofidi has been an outstanding promoter of teaching and research in the field of public health, both in his country and on the international level.

Dr Mofidi's major contribution was the development of the activities of the Institute of Public Health Research of Iran originally conducted by mobile teams into the organization of permanent field research stations. The research carried out by the Institute has played a fundamental role in the planning and evaluation of national health programmes, such as the malaria eradication campaign, campaigns against arthropod-borne diseases, poliomyelitis, measles, hookworm, ringworm and trachoma.

Dr Mofidi's teaching activities contributed to the introduction of the teaching of epidemiology, human ecology, preventive medicine and public health administration into the curriculum of the schools of medicine and pharmacy. The experience gained in Iran under Dr Mofidi's guidance has been of great value to medical education in the Eastern Mediterranean Region.