EXPERT COMMITTEE ON MALARIA

The Secretary of the Expert Committee on Malaria of the World Health Organization Interim Commission has the honour to communicate hereunder a series of questions upon which the Committee has been requested by the Interim Commission to consult with the Fourth International Congress on Malaria.

The Executive Secretary of the Congress has been so good as to facilitate an informal meeting of all malarologists attending the Congress with a view to discussing these problems. Written statements on such points addressed to the Secretary of the Expert Committee on Malaria, prior to such informal meeting, would be highly appreciated.

1. Planning malaria control in the world, and pointing out particularly:

   (a) areas where mass attack is most needed from the standpoint of incidence of malaria and/or from the standpoint of the development of agricultural and economic productivity;

   (b) methods by which the WHO could foster malaria control and/or eradication in such areas (expert advice, training, fellowships, demonstration and operation programmes);

2. Technical problems:

   (a) Can recently introduced insecticides be relied on a basis for a widespread attack on malaria, with expectation of a significant reduction of morbidity in areas where they are properly used?

   (b) Are these insecticides available in sufficient quantities for a widespread attack? If not, what steps might be taken to ensure their increased production;

   (c) What are the insecticides preferred, and how can they best be employed on a mass basis?

   (d) How does the price of insecticides affect malaria control campaigns?

   (e) What part can be assigned to modern chemotherapeutics in mass control of malaria?

   (f) What problems should be suggested for research on an international plane?