

WHA13.41 Scale of Assessment for and Amount of the Working Capital Fund

The Thirteenth World Health Assembly,
Having studied the report of the Executive Board on the Working Capital Fund,¹

I

1. DECIDES that:
 - (1) the Working Capital Fund shall be established as from 1 January 1961 in the amount of US \$4 000 000 to which shall be added the assessments of any Members joining the Organization after 30 April 1960;
 - (2) the advances to the Working Capital Fund shall be assessed on the basis of the 1961 scale of assessment;
 - (3) the additional advances shall be due and payable prior to 31 December 1963;
 - (4) the credits due to Members shall be refunded on 1 January 1964 by applying these credits to any contributions outstanding on that date, or to the 1964 assessments;
2. REQUESTS the Member States concerned to provide in their national budgets for the payment of additional advances before 31 December 1963; and
3. AUTHORIZES the Director-General to credit the annual contributions to the budgets for the years 1961 through 1963 to the budgetary income for those years notwithstanding Financial Regulation 5.6;

II

1. AUTHORIZES the Director-General:
 - (1) to advance from the Working Capital Fund such funds as may be necessary to finance the annual appropriations pending receipt of contributions from Members; sums so advanced shall be reimbursed to the Working Capital Fund as contributions shall become available;
 - (2) to advance such sums as may be necessary to meet unforeseen or extraordinary expenses and to increase the relevant appropriation sections accordingly, provided that not more than US \$250 000 is used for such purposes, except that with the prior concurrence of the Executive Board a total of US \$500 000 may be used; and
 - (3) to advance such sums as may be necessary for the provision of emergency supplies to Member States on a reimbursable basis; sums so advanced shall be reimbursed to the Working Capital Fund when payments are received from the Member States; provided that the total amount so withdrawn shall not exceed US \$100 000 at any one time; and provided further that the credit extended to any one Member shall not exceed US \$25 000 at any one time;
2. REQUESTS the Director-General to report annually to the Health Assembly:
 - (1) all advances made under the authority vested in him to meet unforeseen or extraordinary expenses and the circumstances relating thereto, and to make provision in the estimates for the reimbursement of the Working Capital Fund except when such advances are recoverable from other sources; and
 - (2) all advances made under the authority of paragraph II.1 (3) for the provision of emergency supplies to Member States, together with the status of reimbursement by Members;

III

1. DECIDES that the assessments of advances to the Working Capital Fund should be reviewed every five years; and
2. REQUESTS the Executive Board to review the assessment of advances to the Working Capital Fund at its first session in 1965 and to submit a report to the Health Assembly.

Handb. Res., 5th ed., 7.1.3.1; 7.1.3.2

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