

The Twenty-eighth World Health Assembly,

Recalling resolutions WHA5.28 and WHA27.58; and

Noting that leprosy control measures can reduce substantially the prevalence of leprosy when undertaken with sustained effort for a sufficiently long period,

1. RECOMMENDS that:

(1) intensive case-detection be carried out to ensure early diagnosis, particularly in children;

(2) infectious cases be identified, and when possible be submitted initially to closely supervised treatment to minimize infectiousness and thus the spread of disease;

2. EMPHASIZES the need for health services to integrate leprosy control as a regular continuing activity; and

3. REQUESTS the Director-General to lay greater stress on the training of multidisciplinary staff to improve levels of competence in leprosy control.