

STATUTES OF THE FRANCESCO POCCHIARI FELLOWSHIP

Article 1

Establishment

Under the title of "Francesco Pocchiari Fellowship", a fellowship is established within the framework of the World Health Organization, which shall be governed by the following provisions.

Article 2

The Founder

The Fellowship is established upon the initiative and with funds provided by the Italian Government (hereinafter referred to as "the Founder"), to honour the memory of Professor Francesco Pocchiari, former Director-General of the Istituto Superiore di Sanità, Rome.

Article 3

Capital

The Founder endows the Fellowship with an initial capital of US\$ 104 960. The capital of the Fellowship may be increased by all the income from its undistributed reserves or by gifts and bequests.

Article 4

Purpose

The Fellowship is established for the purpose of awarding, every two years, one or two travelling fellowships, if the accumulated interest from the capital allows it, of US\$ 10 000 each to researchers from developing countries to enable them to visit other countries in order to obtain new experience relevant to their own research.

Article 5

Fellowship Committee

Article 6

Proposal and election of candidates for the Fellowship

1. Any national health administration may put forward the name of a person for the Fellowship. Fully documented proposals shall be made to the WHO Secretariat in Geneva. The Fellowship Committee shall decide in private meeting, by a majority of the members present, on the recommendation to be made to the Executive Board of the World Health Organization, whose decision shall be final.

2. Should the Executive Board not accept any of the recommendations put forward by the Fellowship Committee, the matter shall be referred to an ad hoc committee of the Board, consisting of the Chairman and Vice-Chairmen of the Board and the Chairman of ACHR. This ad hoc committee shall submit its recommendation to the Board for its final decision.

Article 7

Solemn announcement

The name of the person(s) awarded the Fellowship shall be solemnly announced at a public meeting of the Health Assembly.

Article 8

Administration

The Fellowship shall be administered by its Administrator, namely the Director-General of the World Health Organization.

Article 9

The Administrator shall be responsible:

- (1) for the execution of the decisions taken by the Fellowship Committee within the limits of its powers as defined in these Statutes; and
- (2) for the observance of the present Statutes and generally for the operation of the Fellowship as limited by these Statutes.

Article 10

Revision of the Statutes

On the proposal of one of its members, the Fellowship Committee may decide, by a majority vote, to revise the present Statutes. Any such motion shall be submitted to the Executive Board for its approval.