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PROVISIONAL MINUTES OF THE SECOND MEETING

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Tuesday, 10 June 1958, at 5.00 p.m.

CHAIRMAN: Dr O. VARGAS-MENDEZ (Costa Rica)

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1. ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE (Document All/IQ/1)

The CHAIRMAN drew attention to the draft report of the Sub-Committee (All/IQ/1), and pointed out that the resolution in paragraph 2, on the position of States and territories under the International Sanitary Regulations, though not specifically discussed at the previous meeting, had been included after consultation between the Chairman and the Rapporteur.

Professor CANAPERIA (Italy), referring to paragraph 2 (b) of the draft resolution on the fifth report of the Committee on International Quarantine (paragraph 1, document All/IQ/1), said that the words "especially smallpox" laid too much emphasis on smallpox; the prompt notification of other quarantinable diseases was equally important.

The CHAIRMAN explained that those words had been included as a result of the intervention by the delegate of the United States of America when the matter had been discussed at the previous meeting.

Mr CALDERWOOD (United States of America) said that the inclusion of these words would give an accurate representation of what had occurred in the Sub-Committee's discussion of the item, but he was agreeable to the deletion of the words if the other members of the Sub-Committee so wished.

Médecin Colonel BERNARD (France) and Dr JANZ (Portugal) supported the proposal to delete the mention of smallpox.

Dr RAE (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) suggested that the words "especially smallpox" might be deleted and another sentence added to explain that this matter was emphasized because in the past smallpox cases had not been notified promptly.

Mr BRADY (Ireland) was in favour of some reference to smallpox, but did not wish to press the point.

Dr WARMANN (Ghana) believed that smallpox should not be unduly emphasized but an explanation might be included to the effect that some cases of quarantinable diseases had not been promptly reported in the past.

Professor CANAPERIA (Italy) recalled that in its fifth report, paragraphs 21 and 22, the Committee on International Quarantine had stressed "the importance for all health administrations to notify the Organization promptly of the presence of quarantinable disease." That referred to all quarantinable diseases, and therefore he suggested that the reference to smallpox should be deleted altogether.

Dr RAE (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) agreed to withdraw his proposal for the addition of a sentence.

Decision: The Sub-Committee adopted the draft report (All/IQ/1), with the **deletion** of the words "especially smallpox", as suggested by the delegate of Italy.

The CHAIRMAN thanked the Rapporteur and the members of the Sub-Committee for their co-operation.

The meeting rose at 5.30 p.m.