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INC

Provisional Agenda item 1.13

ADMISSION OF NEW MEMBERS AND ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Communication by the Director-General to Members
of 3 April 1970

The Director-General has the honour to transmit to the World Health Assembly the contents of a communication addressed by him to Members of the World Health Organization of 3 April 1970, the text of which is annexed hereto.¹



¹ C.L.11.1970.



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Geneva, 3 April 1970

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the following application for membership in the World Health Organization was received on 31 March 1970:

"COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC¹
The Minister of Foreign Affairs

Dr M. G. Candau
Director General of the
World Health Organization

Geneva

Berlin, 17 March 1970

Mr. Director General,

I have the honour, on behalf of the Government of the German Democratic Republic, to apply for membership of the German Democratic Republic in the World Health Organization on the basis of Articles 3 and 6 of the latter's Constitution.

In making this application the Government of the German Democratic Republic proceeds from the fact that the complete realization of the World Health Organization's basic task - to attain the best possible state of health for the peoples of the world - depends on the cooperation and equal participation of all states. As a member of the World Health Organization the German Democratic Republic with its highly developed public

¹ English text as submitted by the applicant together with the German original.

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health system, would be in a position to actively cooperate in fulfilling the humanitarian tasks facing the Organization. Thus, the membership of the German Democratic Republic in the World Health Organization is not only in the interest of the people of the German Democratic Republic, but also in the interest of all peoples and states.

Permit me to assure you, on behalf of the Government of the German Democratic Republic, that the German Democratic Republic will conscientiously fulfil all obligations arising from its membership in the World Health Organization.

I request you to bring the application, according to Rule 113 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly, to the notice of all member states of the Organization and to submit it for consideration to the 23rd World Health Assembly.

Accept, Mr. Director General, the assurances of my distinguished consideration.

s./ Winzer"

In accordance with Rule 113 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly, the above application, having been received on 31 March 1970, i.e. at least thirty days before the opening of the session of the Twenty-third World Health Assembly, is transmitted to all Members and will be presented under item 1.13 of the provisional agenda of the said session, for consideration by the Assembly under the provisions of the relevant articles of the Constitution.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

M. G. Candau, M.D.
Director-General