

## WHA4.57 Use of Spanish at WHO Meetings

The Fourth World Health Assembly,

Having examined the proposals made by the Executive Board on the amendment of Rules 66 and 67 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly ; <sup>44</sup>

Having noted the high proportion of Members whose national language is Spanish ;

Recognizing the desirability of having interpretation of speeches in French and English from and into Spanish at sessions of the World Health Assembly, the Executive Board, expert committees and other advisory bodies,

1. RESOLVES that Rules 66 and 67 of the Rules of Procedure of the World Health Assembly be amended to read as follows :

### *Rule 66*

Speeches made in either of the working languages shall be interpreted into the other working language and Spanish. Speeches made in Spanish shall be interpreted into both working languages.

### *Rule 67*

Speeches made in the official languages other than English, French and Spanish shall be interpreted into both working languages and into Spanish.

2. RESOLVES, further, that Rule 13 of the Rules of Procedure for Expert Committees be amended to read as follows :

*Rule 13*

The working languages of the committee shall be English and French. Speeches made in Spanish shall be interpreted into both working languages ; speeches made in either of the working languages shall be interpreted into the other working language and into Spanish. If requested, arrangements shall be made, if possible, for the interpretation of any other language used by any expert during the session.

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