

**WHA13.43      Amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the Health Assembly, and Adoption of Transitional Provisions connected with the Increase in the Membership of the Executive Board**

The Thirteenth World Health Assembly,

**I**

Considering that it is desirable to adopt the necessary transitional provisions in order to provide for the first election of Members entitled to designate persons to serve on the Executive Board, at such time as the amendments to Articles 24 and 25 of the Constitution enter into force,

DECIDES as follows:

1. At the first election of Members entitled to designate persons to serve on the Executive Board held after the entry-into-force of the amendments to Articles 24 and 25 of the Constitution, increasing the size of the Executive Board from eighteen to twenty-four, the transitional arrangements below shall apply:
  - (1) The Health Assembly shall elect a total of twelve Members entitled to designate persons to serve on the Board. Of those Members elected, eight shall serve for a period of three years, two for a period of two years and two for a period of one year, as determined by lot by the President of the Health Assembly immediately after the election has been completed.
  - (2) The election of the twelve Members shall be governed by Rules 92 to 97 of the Rules of Procedure of the Health Assembly, substituting in the first paragraph of Rule 94 the word “ eighteen ” for the word “ nine ” and the word “ twelve ” for the word “ six ”; in the second paragraph substituting the word “ twelve ” for the word “ six ”; and in the first paragraph of Rule 95 substituting the word “ twelve ” for the word “ six ”;
2. Provided that if the amendments enter into force during the course of a Health Assembly, but after the annual election of six Members entitled to designate persons to serve on the Executive Board, then the following transitional arrangements shall apply in respect of the election of the six Members required to increase the size of the Executive Board from eighteen to twenty-four:
  - (1) The Health Assembly shall elect six further Members entitled to designate persons to serve on the Board. Of those Members elected, two shall serve for a period of three years, two for a period of two years and two for a period of one year, as determined by lot by the President of the Health Assembly immediately after the election has been completed.
  - (2) The election of the six Members shall be governed, *mutatis mutandis*, by Rules 92 to 97 of the Rules of Procedure of the Health Assembly;

## II

Considering further that it is desirable to adopt in advance the appropriate rules of procedure to govern future elections of Members entitled to designate persons to serve on the Executive Board,

ADOPTS the following amendments to Rules 92 to 101 of the Rules of Procedure of the Health Assembly, which amendments shall enter into force after the first elections held on the basis of the transitional provisions set forth in part I of this resolution:

### *Rule 92*

No change

### *Rule 93*

No change

### *Rule 94*

Amend as follows:<sup>1</sup>

The General Committee, having regard to the provisions of Chapter VI of the Constitution, to Rule 92 and to the suggestions placed before it by Members, shall nominate, and draw up a list of, [nine] *twelve* Members, and this list shall be transmitted to the Health Assembly at least twenty-four hours before the Health Assembly convenes for the purpose of the annual election of [six] *eight* Members to be entitled to designate a person to serve on the Board.

The General Committee shall recommend in such list to the Health Assembly the [six] *eight* Members which, in the Committee's opinion, would provide, if elected, a balanced distribution of the Board as a whole.

