

WHA13.55 Malaria Eradication Programme

The Thirteenth World Health Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Director-General on the development of the malaria eradication programme;

Noting the satisfactory progress that has been made in the world-wide campaign for malaria eradication;

Recognizing that the operational supervision and epidemiological assessment which are essential for the continuing success of the campaign can only be ensured by the adequate staffing of national malaria eradication services with fully-trained personnel;

Noting the steps that have been taken by the Director-General to provide increased facilities for the training of the required national personnel as well as to meet the request for technical advisory services needed by the governments;

Believing that it is important to keep constantly in mind the essential element of urgency in malaria eradication programmes, which must be time-limited programmes, and that adequate organizational and financial support is indispensable; and

Recognizing that co-ordination between neighbouring countries is of special importance to countries reaching an advanced stage in their eradication programmes and that a fundamental element for such co-ordination is the regular reporting of the progress of operations and more particularly of epidemiological assessment,

1. URGES governments concerned to intensify their efforts for the training and provision of adequate technical and administrative personnel required to strengthen the supervisory and epidemiological assessment activities of their malaria eradication services, taking full advantage of the facilities provided by the Organization;
2. URGES governments concerned to accord to their national malaria eradication programmes the priority needed for the successful completion of the campaign within the shortest period of time;
3. REQUESTS governments concerned to continue to keep the Organization regularly informed of the progress of their malaria eradication programmes and, in particular, of their epidemiological assessment activities;
4. REQUESTS the Director-General to keep under constant review the progress of the world-wide programme, to make available to governments such technical advisory services as may be required, and to continue to take all the necessary steps to ensure the proper co-ordination of programmes throughout the world; and
5. REQUESTS the Director-General to establish an official register listing areas where malaria eradication has been achieved, after inspection and certification by a WHO evaluation team.