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DE LA SANTÉTHIRD WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLYA3/84 ✓
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FIRST REPORT
OF THE
COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION,
FINANCE AND LEGAL MATTERS

The Committee on Administration, Finance and Legal Matters
held three meetings on 10 and 11 May 1950.

1. Election of Officers

Dr. J.N. Togba, Liberia, was elected Vice Chairman of the Committee.
Mr. C.H. Taljaard of the Union of South Africa was elected Rapporteur.

2. Financial Report and Accounts of WHO (1 January-31 December 1949)
and Report of External Auditor

The Committee recommends to the Health Assembly that it adopt the following
resolution:

The Third World Health Assembly

Having examined the annual financial statement and the report of the
External Auditor, on the audit of the accounts of the World Health
Organization for the financial period 1 January to 31 December 1949, as
contained in Official Records No. 27

NOTES particularly the External Auditor's remarks contained in
paragraph 15 of his report on the financial position of the Organization,
is gratified to note that the situation has improved;

NOTES that the uncollected contributions to the 1948 and 1949 Budgets as at 31 December 1949, amounting to 17.85% and 26.71% respectively, have been reduced as at 30 April 1950 to 15.45% and 20.83% respectively;

NOTES the remarks of the External Auditor on the Working Capital Fund contained in paragraphs 12 and 13 of the Report, specifically the recommendations regarding the establishment of the Fund as contained in paragraph 13;

NOTES the remarks of the External Auditor in paragraph 14 regarding the method of appropriating casual income and assessments of new Members; agrees with the method adopted in respect of the Budgets for 1950 and 1951 and desires that this method be continued by the Organization in future years;

NOTES the External Auditor's remarks contained in paragraph 11 of the Report regarding the investments made by the Organization and commends the Organization for its careful handling of its funds;

NOTES with pleasure the remarks of the External Auditor contained in paragraph 17 that the work of improving the existing, and establishing new, efficient and practical administrative and financial policies, rules and procedures has been continued during 1949; also notes that the Organization is continuing in 1950 its efforts to increase efficiency by the introduction of modern equipment and through the technique of management surveys;

NOTES with satisfaction that while the development of the Organization during 1949 was rapid and although the External Auditor carried out a complete detailed examination, the Organization has been able, through its own internal mechanisms, to take action to correct such errors as have occurred;

WISHES particularly to recognize the excellent report of the External Auditor, and commends Mr. Brunskog's work as being of outstanding assistance to the Organization;

ACCEPTS the ~~Report~~;

3. Status of Contributions to the Budget for 1948

The Committee recommends to the Health Assembly that it adopt the following resolution:

The Third World Health Assembly

Having considered a report on the status of contributions to the Budget for 1948;

NOTES that certain Members have failed to pay in full their assessed contributions to the Budget for that year;

While noting the resolution by the Second World Health Assembly and the recommendations of the Executive Board, in pursuance of that resolution, that action be taken as provided in Article 7 of the Constitution, also considers that

Whereas certain of these Members have paid all but a small proportion of their contribution and

Whereas other Members have indicated that they have put in motion their legislative machinery to pay their contributions; and

Whereas other Members have only recently joined the Organization and therefore have not been able to arrange for payment through their legislative bodies;

1. RESOLVES that additional time shall be given to these Members to acquit themselves of their financial obligations to the Organization, and calls upon them to do so promptly;

 2. REQUESTS the Executive Board to furnish a full report to the Fourth World Health Assembly on any Members whose assessments to the 1948 Budget have not been paid at the time of convening of the Assembly, together with recommendations for any action that the Board may consider necessary and appropriate.
4. Status of Contributions to the Budget for 1949

The Committee recommends to the Health Assembly that it adopt the following resolution:

The Third World Health Assembly,

Having considered a report on the status of the contributions to the Budget for 1949, again calls upon Members who have failed to pay in full their assessed contributions to the Budget for that year to acquit themselves of their financial obligations to the Organization promptly;

Realizing that at the time of convening of the Fourth World Health Assembly Members whose assessments to the 1949 Budget have not been paid will be in arrears for one year;

REQUESTS the Executive Board to furnish a full report to the Fourth World Health Assembly on any Members whose assessments to the 1949 Budget have not been paid in full at the time of convening of the Assembly together with recommendations for any action that the Board may consider necessary and appropriate.