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FOR THE INTERNATIONAL HEALTH CONFERENCE

ALTERNATE PROPOSALS RELATING TO REGIONALIZATION

PROPOSAL X

1. Regional Committees

(a) Regional Committees representing Member States of the respective regions, should be established by the World Health Conference, to meet the special needs of the States of any particular region.

(b) A regional committee may have delegated to it by the World Health Conference such functions as the following:-

(i) to fix policies governing matters of an exclusively regional scope;

(ii) to supervise the activities of the respective regional offices;

(iii) to co-operate with the respective regional committees of the U.N.O. and with those of other specialized agencies;

(iv) to recommend additional regional appropriations by the governments of the respective regions, if the proportion of the central budget of the World Health Organization allotted to that region is insufficient for the carrying out of the regional functions.

2. There shall be constituted, besides the regional committees, regional offices entrusted with the carrying out of the decisions of the Conference, the Board or the Director-General, and of the regional committees within the scope of the latter's powers.

Regional offices may be created in either of two ways, by the Conference or by the transformation of already existing regional organizations; this transformation would be carried out according to agreements ratified by the Conference.

Toward that end, special transitional arrangements should be made by the Conference with regional health agencies in areas where such agencies already exist, taking into account the existing conventions, in such a way that their facilities and services may be fully utilized without interruption and with a view to developing them as quickly as practicable into regional offices of the Organization, or parts of such offices.

There should not be more than one regional office in any one region.

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2. Regional Offices

(a) Regional Offices should be established by the Director-General under the instructions of the Conference;

(b) A Regional Office shall have such regional functions as may be assigned to it by the Conference.

3. Regional Agencies

Special arrangements should be made by the World Health Conference with regional inter-governmental health agencies, with a view to their facilities and services being utilized to the fullest possible extent.

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