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TECHNICAL PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR THE INTERNATIONAL HEALTH CONFERENCE

REVISED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

I

1. Opening proceedings.

These would include the opening of the Conference by the Chairman of the Economic and Social Council, and other introductory speeches. It is suggested that the Chairman of the Economic and Social Council, or if he is unable to do so, the Assistant Secretary-General for social affairs, should preside until the election of the Chairman.

2. Adoption of rules of procedure.

Draft rules based on the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council, adapted as necessary, will have been prepared by the Secretariat.

3. Appointment of credentials committee

It is suggested that a small committee of five or seven members would be sufficient for this purpose.

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II

- 4. Report of credentials committee.
- 5. Election of chairman.
- 6. Election of vice-chairman.

The Technical Preparatory Committee recommend the appointment of three vice-chairmen.

7. Adoption of provisional agenda.

This agenda when adopted would, of course, be subject to alteration by the conference as its work proceeded.

8. Presentation of report and proposals of the Technical Preparatory

Committee by the chairman and rapporteur.

The statement made by the chairman and rapporteur on this item

would indicate the views taken by the T.P.C. on the main issues arising on the proposals formulated by the Committee for a W.H.O. Where there were substantial differences of view on particular points, these would be brought out, with the arguments on each side. The statement would also explain why certain matters which were considered by the T.P.C. for inclusion in the constitution were not included in the draft put forward. This statement would, therefore, go into some detail on the important issues. Exposition of the views of the T.P.C. on relatively minor matters might, however, be left to the committee stage.

9. Statement by delegates on broad lines on the attitudes of their Governments towards the report and proposals of the T.P.C.

It is important that the conference should have an early opportunity of learning the general standpoint of the various participating Governments. The T.P.C. itself found an item of this kind of the greatest value and strongly recommend its inclusion in this agenda. It is, however, essential, if the conference is not to get prematurely into matters of detail, that no votes or resolutions should be entertained in the course of this item.

III.

10. Establishment of Committees.

(a) General Committee

It is recommended that this Committee be constituted of the Chairman, the three vice-chairmen, and the chairmen of the Working Committees and such other members as may be determined. The appointment of this Committee should be deferred until the Working Committees have elected their chairmen.

(b) Working Committees

(i) Committee on Scope of World Health Organization

Sections I, II, and III of the proposed constitution
submitted by the Technical Preparatory Committee would be

referred to this Committee.

(ii) Committee on Administration and Finance

Sections IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XI, and XIV of the constitution proposed by the Technical Preparatory Committee would be referred to this Committee. It should also consider the scale of contributions and the interim, including financial, arrangements.

(iii) Committee on Legal Questions

Sections III, XII, XV, XVII and XVIII of the constitution proposed by the Technical Preparatory

Committee would be referred to this Committee. It should be available to all committees for consultation and for advice on legal aspects of other problems.

This Committee should consider the procedures for the absorption and transfer of functions and responsibilities of existing international inter-governmental health organizations. It should review, from the standpoint of legal draftmanship, the constitution developed by the Conference.

(4) Committee on Relationships with the United Nations and other Organizations.

Section XVI of the Constitution proposed by the Technical Preparatory Committee should be referred to this Committee.

(5) Committee on Regionalization.

Section XI of the Constitution proposed by the Technical Preparatory Committee should be referred to this Committee.

Each Working Committee should be open to all States attending the Conference. It is recommended that no more than three Committees should meet simultaneously. They may appoint Sub-Committees as necessary. Each Committee should have a small drafting sub-committee which should currently review the work of the Committee as presented in both working languages.

- (c) Drafting Committee.
- (d) Any other Committees deemed necessary.