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Proposals by the U.S.S.R. Delegation

XII. REGIONAL ORGANS

1. To meet the special needs in the field of Health of the States, members of the World Health Organization which are situated in different parts of the world, Regional Health Organs should be established by the decision of the Assembly.
2. The Regional Health Organs should start functioning after the consent on their establishment should be expressed by the majority of the States situated on the territories which are within the scope of functions assigned to the Regional Organs.
3. Regional Organs should consist of:
 - (a) Regional Committee
 - (b) Regional Bureau
4. Regional Committees should be composed of the representatives of all the countries that participate in them. They should meet as often as it may be necessary, at least once a year.
5. Regional Committees should carry out the following functions:
same as in Section XII, para. 1. b (i), (ii), (iii),
(iv) Alternative "A" (page 146.)
6. A Regional Bureau should be the executive organ of a Regional Committee. The head of the Regional Bureau should be the Secretary, nominated by the Regional Committee and approved by the Executive Board of the World Health Organization.

7. Regional Health Organs should act as integral parts of the World Health Organization in accordance with the Constitution of the World Health Organization and technical regulations worked out appropriately to the conditions of the activities of each Regional Organization. The Regional Organs should carry out the tasks laid upon them by the Assembly, Executive Board and the Director-General of the World Health Organization as well as by the Regional Committee within the scope of their respective competence.

NOTE: The Technical Regulations of the activities of each Regional Health Organization should be worked out by the Regional Committee concerned and approved by the Executive Board of the World Health Organization.

8. To include a reference to the appropriate point of chapter IV (Membership) dealing with the participation of dependent territories in the Regional organizations of the World Health Organization.

9. The Pan-American Sanitary Bureau and all other existing, prior to 1946, intergovernmental regional health organizations should in due course be integrated with the World Health Organization as its Regional organizations. This integration should be effected as soon as practicable through common action based on mutual consent of the competent authorities of the Organizations concerned.
