

UNITED NATIONS

NATIONS UNIES

ECONOMIC
AND
SOCIAL COUNCIL

CONSEIL
ECONOMIQUE
ET SOCIAL

UNRESTRICTED

E/1384
9 July 1949

ORIGINAL : ENGLISH

Dual Distribution

Ninth Session

UNITED NATIONS RESEARCH LABORATORIES

The Secretary-General has received the following communication from
the Director-General of the World Health Organization :

"Geneva 6 July 1949

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Second World Health
Assembly at its tenth plenary meeting on 30 June 1949 adopted a
resolution on International Research Laboratories.

The text of the resolution is as follows:

"The Second World Health Assembly

NOTES resolutions 22 (III) and 160 (VII) of the Economic and
Social Council regarding the establishment of United Nations
research laboratories, and the report of the Secretary General
on this subject;

CONFIRMS the resolution concerning this subject which was
adopted by the Interim Commission of WHO on 11 November 1946,
and the views of the Interim Commission as stated to the
Secretary General of the United Nations by the Executive
Secretary of the Interim Commission on 4 December 1946;

CONSIDERS that research in the field of health is best advanced
by assisting, co-ordinating and making use of the activities
of existing institutions and that the Health Assembly and the
expert committees of WHO provide an adequate mechanism for the

RECEIVED

JUL 26 1949

UNITED NATIONS
ARCHIVES

implementation of such a policy;

REQUESTS that, in view of the responsibility and authority placed upon WHO in respect of international research in the field of health and in implementation of the Agreement between the United Nations and WHO, the Economic and Social Council communicate such recommendations as it may be considering within the field of health to WHO, which, under its Constitution and the Agreement, is required to consider such recommendations and to report to the Council on the steps taken by WHO to give effect to them."

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Brock Chisholm, M.D.
Director-General

The Secretary General
United Nations
Lake Success
NEW YORK
U.S.A.