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#### Section 4.4 Communicable Diseases

The CHAIRMAN drew the Committee's attention to a report on the smallpox eradication programme (Weekly Epidemiological Record No. 19, 8 May 1970), which provided the latest information on that programme.

Dr LAYTON, representative of the Executive Board, said that during the detailed review of the proposed programme and budget estimates for 1971, the Director-General had presented a report to the Executive Board, prepared in accordance with resolution WHA22.34, outlining the progress of the smallpox eradication programme, its current status and plans for the remainder of 1970 and for 1971. A summary of the report appeared as Appendix 10 to Official Records No. 182.

The Board had been informed that in the smallpox endemic countries intensive eradication programmes were in progress, and that many countries particularly exposed to the risk of introduction of smallpox had also initiated programmes. Those activities had been stimulated by funds provided in the Organization's regular budget, by contributions to the Special Account for Smallpox Eradication, and by assistance from bilateral and multilateral agencies.

In resolution EB45.R20, the Executive Board had asked all countries to take appropriate steps to improve case-reporting, to aim at the immediate investigation and containment of all reported cases and outbreaks of smallpox from 1970 on, and to continue to provide support to the programme, including vaccine and other assistance. It had reiterated the importance of using only freeze-dried vaccines which met the requirements established by WHO. It had requested the Director-General to contact those endemic countries not yet conducting eradication programmes to determine what assistance they needed to permit them to do so; to do everything possible to ensure the maximum co-ordination of national and international efforts; and to report on the progress of the smallpox eradication programme to the Health Assembly and the Board. In view of the urgency of the programme and the need to maintain progress, he asked the Committee to endorse the action taken by the Executive Board, as expressed in resolution EB45.R20.

Dr TOTTIE (Sweden) said his delegation was very interested in the problems of the prevention of blindness. It was known that blindness could be due to infectious diseases, vitamin deficiency and other causes. And with the increased life expectancy in many countries, blindness caused by cataracts, the incidence of which was high in the higher age groups, was becoming a challenge to the health services. He would like to draw WHO's attention to that fact in connexion with the study referred to in resolution WHA22.29. His delegation would also like to know how that study was progressing.

Dr DURAISWAMI (India) said his delegation was gratified to report that as a result of the revised strategy, the number of smallpox cases reported in India in 1969 had been 18 000, as

opposed to over 80 000 in 1967. He was most grateful to WHO and UNICEF for supplying equipment for producing freeze-dried vaccine and to the Soviet Government for supplies of such vaccine.

He hoped that the revised strategy, in particular the adequate supply of freeze-dried vaccine to the periphery, and the new use made of mobile hospitals in rural areas, where final-year students and other doctors were employed, would enable primary vaccination and revaccination to be successfully carried out. During the fourth five-year plan, every effort would be made to eradicate smallpox from the country.

Dr THOMAS (Sierra Leone) said that the countries of Central and West Africa were proud of their achievements in the smallpox eradication programme. With WHO assistance, they had not only reached, but exceeded their targets, and today there was virtually no smallpox in Central and West Africa.

Moreover, a new concept in basic health services was being developed in the African Region. Surveillance and vaccination teams were being used to extend such services to all areas - urban and rural - of the countries of Central and West Africa. Last year, for instance, many countries in the Region had been threatened by yellow fever, but thanks to the surveillance and vaccination teams it had been possible to avert that threat.

It should be remembered that the smallpox programme was global and the gains made must not be threatened by the reintroduction of smallpox. His delegation would like an assurance from the Director-General that the Organization was working with countries contiguous to Sierra Leone to ensure that, there also, similar eradication efforts were being undertaken.

Dr SIDERIUS (Netherlands) said that in recent years stable freeze-dried vaccine had gradually become generally available; and that with the introduction of the bifurcated vaccination needle, which allowed vaccinations to be performed more quickly and with less vaccine, vaccination techniques had improved.

In view of the need for an adaptable strategy, his delegation requested the Director-General to consider, whenever necessary, the reallocation of funds for smallpox programmes, using them for the urgent and prompt intensification of key programmes in situations such as prevailed at present in Ethiopia and Sudan.

A tribute should be paid to WHO (in particular to the chief of the Smallpox Eradication unit), to the health services in smallpox-endemic areas, and to other organizations for their efforts and achievements. In support of those efforts, his Government wished to announce a further donation of one million doses of freeze-dried smallpox vaccine to the Organization.

Dr SULIANTI SAROSO (Indonesia) thanked WHO for its prompt assistance, in the form of short-term consultants and advisers according to the needs of the smallpox programme.

Epidemiological surveillance had improved the reporting of smallpox; and if there had been no decrease in the number of cases reported, in spite of the existence of an eradication programme, that was because reporting had hitherto been inadequate. It was hoped that at the end of the present five-year development plan, Indonesia would be free of smallpox. The pattern evolved for the epidemiological surveillance of smallpox could - once eradication was completed - be adapted for use against other diseases.

Dr AHMETELI (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics) said that his delegation had noted with satisfaction the progress made in recent years in the implementation of the smallpox eradication programme. There had been a considerable decrease in the number of cases of smallpox in the world, as in the number of countries where cases had been reported.

The report before the Committee showed that considerable quantities of smallpox vaccine had been made available through WHO or from bilateral aid. It also indicated that vaccine wastage had been reduced through the wider use of bifurcated needles. Nevertheless, it was estimated that significantly larger donations of vaccine to endemic countries would be needed from WHO's Special Account for Smallpox Eradication in 1971 than in 1970. He would therefore welcome information on the work of the vaccine-producing laboratories that had been established with the assistance of WHO.

His delegation agreed that the laboratory diagnosis of smallpox became increasingly important as the number of cases of the disease decreased. He asked if plans to develop laboratory diagnosis had been made, and what assistance WHO intended to provide.

It had to be realized that the eradication of smallpox was a very complicated task and that the difficulties increased with the progress made. Eradication could be achieved only if all countries of the world sustained their interest in the programme.

Dr CAVIGLIA (Uruguay) expressed his delegation's gratitude for WHO assistance to the smallpox eradication programme in his country, as a result of which vaccination coverage had increased from 66 per cent. to 80 per cent. within five years. His country had also been able to prepare freeze-dried vaccine thanks to equipment provided by WHO.

In Uruguay and in other countries of the Region, Chagas' disease constituted a scourge and he felt that more importance should be given to it in the WHO programme. The same applied to hydatidosis of which the incidence was high in his region.

His Government wished to expand its programme on Chagas' disease and hydatidosis for which it would be requesting WHO support.

Dr VASSILOPOULOS (Cyprus) was happy to report that Cyprus was free from contagious diseases such as smallpox, cholera and plague. Sporadically cases of diphtheria, whooping-cough and measles occurred, but the Ministry of Health was taking early measures to prevent epidemics; morbidity due to water-borne diseases had also been greatly reduced. The prevalence of tuberculosis too was very low in Cyprus. Great importance was being paid to preventive medicine and regular immunization campaigns, and to the improvement of environmental sanitation generally.

Dr LEKIE (Democratic Republic of the Congo) thanked WHO for its assistance to the smallpox eradication programme of his country, one of the main foci of the disease in Africa. Aware of its responsibility, his Government had made the equivalent of more than US\$ 400 000 available yearly during the first two years of the smallpox eradication programme; in 1971 the amount would be equivalent to US\$ 500 000. In addition there was the very important assistance provided by WHO in the form of physicians, vaccine, equipment and vehicles, without which the campaign would not have been possible.

Out of a population of approximately 20 million, some 13 million had already been vaccinated, and the remaining population would be vaccinated before the end of December 1971. By giving those figures he intended to allay the fears of neighbouring countries and to show them that no pains were being spared to ensure the eradication of smallpox.

His country considered that for the effective surveillance of smallpox in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, mobile teams under the control of the national eradication campaign were essential. As it was impossible to take physicians away from hospitals in a country which had only 230 indigenous physicians for a population of 20 million, his Government had asked WHO to make available nine technicians so that a mobile team could be provided for each of the eight provinces of the country (Kinshasa would, in view of its size and its population - 2 million, of which 1 750 000 had already been vaccinated - be allotted the ninth team). Hitherto only one technician had been made available, with the result that the funds earmarked by the Government had not been fully used. It had thus not been possible to have teams operating in the provinces of Equateur or Kasai East - where vaccination had already been carried out - nor in Kasai West, Katanga, or Kinshasa. It was not always easy for WHO to find staff, but his Government was concerned at the delay, in view of the possible repercussions on the later stages of the programme.

Dr SENCER (United States of America) said his delegation strongly endorsed resolution EB45.R20 and commended the Organization on its leadership in the smallpox eradication programme, in which the United States of America had been active from the beginning.

Two years ago his country had donated 20 million doses of smallpox vaccine, to be used with jet injectors for control of epidemics. It was a tribute to the effectiveness of the programme that very little of the vaccine had been used - few epidemics had occurred.

His delegation wished to draw attention to the discussion on yellow fever in the Committee and to the resolution passed in the fourteenth plenary meeting, that morning. The United States Government was prepared to contribute, on a one-time basis, up to US\$ 400 000 to meet the yellow fever emergency in West Africa, provided that the contribution did not exceed 40 per cent. of the total contributions from outside West Africa.

Dr JOSHI (Nepal) expressed his gratitude to WHO for its assistance to the smallpox eradication programme in his country, which was progressing satisfactorily. The health authorities were determined to see smallpox eradicated by 1976.

He pointed out that when there was an epidemic, or when there were many cases of smallpox, there was no difficulty in diagnosing the disease. But with the eradication programme the number of cases would become fewer and there might be some difficulty in diagnosing it. He wondered whether WHO could work out a simple and quick method of diagnosing smallpox that could be used by paramedical personnel in places where there were no laboratory facilities; that would be of particular help in developing countries.

Dr LAYTON, representative of the Executive Board, gave the comments of the Executive Board on the zoonoses (section 4.4.8 - Veterinary Public Health). The Executive Board had considered a report by the Director-General, prepared in accordance with resolution WHA22.35, in which the World Health Assembly had requested him to consult the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization regarding collaboration between WHO and FAO on the socio-economic consequences of the zoonoses. The resolution recognized the importance for Member States of surveying and evaluating the importance of zoonoses and the relative priority they should receive in national planning for socio-economic development.

The Executive Board had been informed that the current FAO and WHO programmes already included development of methods of surveillance and control of the zoonoses from the biomedical aspect; however, the resolution introduced a new component, namely the socio-economic aspects of that group of diseases. After consultation with the Director-General of FAO, the Director-General of WHO had proposed, as a first step, a small group of consultants in 1970 to plan pilot studies in a few selected areas typical of different types of animal husbandry and industry. Proposals for the implementation of resolution WHA22.35 would then be made on the basis of the recommendations of the consultants and eventually on the results of the pilot studies.

The Executive Board, in resolution EB45.R4, had noted the plan proposed and requested the Director-General to continue the proposed action in collaboration with FAO and to report to a future session of the Board.

Dr S. HASAN (Pakistan) said that, for the purpose of efficient smallpox eradication, field training of surveillance teams and the establishment of diagnosis laboratories was important, as had already been mentioned. The provision of three consultant-months for the training of teams, and of two months for establishing laboratory activities, was, he felt, too meagre. He would like to know what were the Director-General's plans, and whether there would not be scope for an increase in those activities.

Dr FERREIRA (Brazil) thanked WHO for the assistance to his country in the smallpox eradication programme and said that Brazil was carrying out a vaccination programme, hoping to conclude the present attack phase with the vaccination of 40 million people. Over the past four months, some 13 million people had been vaccinated, and it was hoped that by 1971, in spite of great communications difficulties, considerable progress would have been made. He also thanked PAHO for their assistance in the form of vaccines and vehicles.

Dr ZAARI (Morocco) said that, as his delegation had stated during the plenary session, smallpox had been eradicated in his country in 1948. Since then - thanks to four-yearly vaccinations - no cases had been reported.

As regards tuberculosis, his country was attempting to integrate measures against that disease into the public health services; the results obtained had been excellent.

The problem he wished to raise was that of schistosomiasis. Schistosomiasis had always been considered a disease confined to the south of the country but, as a result of the construction of dams, it had begun to spread. Attempts were being made to define the infested areas, in order to localize the measures to be taken. He wondered whether studies had been made on the subject of preventing the spread of schistosomiasis.

Mr DE ALCAMBAR-PEREIRA (Portugal), commenting on section 4.4.9 (Epidemiological Surveillance and Quarantine), in respect of health services at frontiers, stated that his Government had decided to launch a campaign against the yellow fever vectors that were still to be found in the Azores and Madeira. There were no data to show that foci of the disease existed but local conditions were favourable to the persistence of the yellow fever vector, and the International Quarantine service considered ports and airports in the Azores and Madeira as areas of yellow fever. During recent months, entomological surveys had been undertaken to detect the presence of Aedes aegypti. Technical personnel had already visited thousands of habitations, had identified larval breeding sites, and studied the larval forms of the mosquitos captured, without hitherto finding any potential yellow fever vector. On the completion of the campaign, the results obtained would be reported to WHO.

Professor VANNUGLI (Italy) noted that in section 4.4.9, (Epidemiological Surveillance and Quarantine) under point (9), it was stated that one function of the unit was "to give prompt advice and assist in epidemiological emergency situations". When recently in Europe a focus of a quarantinable disease had been discovered - and he wished to pay homage to the representatives of the country in question for the measures taken - the focus had been rapidly controlled. But during that time no official information had been available from WHO direct. On telephoning

headquarters he had been given information, details and advice. He thought, however, that consideration should be given to instituting an urgent notification procedure. There was an appropriation of US\$ 40 000 in the budget for epidemiological reports, telegrams, etc.; and countries would appreciate receiving direct and official information, since the information reaching Members from various sources was often very different.

Dr VASSILOPOULOS (Cyprus), referring to section 4.4.8 (Veterinary Public Health) said that Cyprus was one of the countries with a high rate of hydatidosis, probably the fourth or fifth highest in the world; the main vectors were stray dogs. He was most grateful to WHO for sending consultants to Cyprus to study the problem on the spot; together with them the health authorities had prepared a plan for the eradication of hydatidosis.

He welcomed the fact that WHO had arranged for a seminar on hydatidosis in Buenos Aires in September 1970. Veterinary officers had been invited to that seminar; he thought that officers from the Ministry of Health should also be invited, as in a country where hydatidosis was prevalent the health services had to play an important role in its prevention and eradication.

Dr PAYNE, Assistant Director-General, said that the point raised by the delegate of Sweden concerning blindness had also been raised at a previous session of the Executive Board, and that the Secretariat had been requested to make a study of the problem. That study was currently under way, but had proved to be highly complex in view of the fact that blindness could be caused by virus diseases, parasitic diseases, nutritional and other problems.

The point raised by the delegate of Uruguay in connexion with veterinary public health and hydatidosis had to some extent been covered by the statement of the representative of the Executive Board on the co-operative endeavours undertaken jointly by WHO and FAO.

The matter of Chagas' disease had been studied in the Region of the Americas, to which the disease was confined, by the Regional Office and studies were being undertaken to determine methods of controlling the vector of the disease. The problem was proving more difficult than had been expected but the work would be pursued.

On the matter of smallpox, he emphasized the Director-General's appreciation of delegations' expressions of gratitude for WHO assistance, the generosity of those countries which had provided large quantities of vaccine, and the efforts made to achieve eradication by countries with limited health services.

Dr HENDERSON (Smallpox Eradication) speaking on the problems of diagnosis and laboratory studies of smallpox, said that it was extremely important to be able to make a rapid diagnosis of smallpox, but that to do so became more difficult as the incidence of the disease decreased. WHO had recognized the need to take positive action on the matter and was preparing additional visual material for the use of health workers in various areas of the world. In 1969 a series had been prepared on smallpox in African patients, and a similar but more detailed series on smallpox in Asian patients would appear in the course of 1970.

Laboratory support was, however, also needed and WHO was therefore organizing several courses on the laboratory diagnosis of smallpox. It was felt that, except in the case of very large countries such as India, one or two laboratories per country would be sufficient to handle the rare problems of differential diagnosis, and that if there were too many laboratories, their standards of competence would decline through lack of practice. Laboratory courses had already been conducted in the Americas and in the South-East Asia Region and would be continued. Although only a few consultant-months were provided under headquarters, the situation was by no means so restricted as it might appear, since other consultants could be provided under the various project allotments.

As regards a simple field test for smallpox, it was by no means an easy matter, but WHO was working to develop a simple method involving at least a presumptive diagnosis and taking some six to eight hours in the field. Field trials of the new test would begin in Indonesia in the summer, and it was hoped that the method might be more widely available later on in the year.

Dr ANSARI (Parasitic Diseases) said that the situation referred to by the delegate of Morocco - the spread of schistosomiasis to fresh areas where there were irrigation or other economic development programmes - posed a very serious problem. It was well known that the disease spread with the development of irrigation networks, as the snail vectors infested the new canals and infected workers arrived from endemic regions. WHO was trying to discover new, inexpensive control methods and to stimulate the discovery of new drugs to cure the disease; but it was concerned at the difficulty of finding methods for preventing schistosomiasis from spreading further.

The Organization was in contact with sanitary and irrigation engineers in attempts to study snail ecology and thus discover ways of stopping the snails from establishing themselves, e.g. by means of a higher rate of water flow. It was also trying to find ways of using irrigation equipment, such as plastic or rubber tubes which were inexpensive and easy to transport, to prevent contact between the man and the infested water. And it was also consulting other organizations, such as FAO. The Regional Office for Europe was well aware of the situation in Morocco and was studying the matter with a view to providing special advice to that country.

The DEPUTY DIRECTOR-GENERAL said in connexion with the point raised by the delegate of Italy that the staff of the Epidemiological Surveillance and Quarantine unit were unable to be present as they were attending the working party to discuss the reservations to the International Health Regulations.

He stated that epidemiological information concerning diseases covered by the Regulations was transmitted each day via Radio Suisse and was repeated in the Weekly Epidemiological Record. A problem arose, however, from the fact that the Organization could make an announcement only of information that had been officially communicated to it; and in many cases countries were reluctant to notify cases, so that Press agencies often obtained information on fresh outbreaks before WHO had been officially informed.

The CHAIRMAN said that, taking into account the Executive Board's resolution EB45.R20, and the comments made by delegations in the course of discussion, he would suggest that the Committee approve the following draft resolution:

The Twenty-third World Health Assembly,

Having examined the Director-General's report on the smallpox eradication programme submitted to the Executive Board at its forty-fifth session,

ENDORSES the recommendations of the Executive Board contained in its resolution EB45.R20.

Decision: The draft resolution was approved.<sup>1</sup>

Dr SULIANTI SAROSO (Indonesia) asked what action would be taken in regard to Executive Board resolution EB45.R4 on the socio-economic consequences of the zoonoses.

Dr SACKS, Secretary, said that since the Executive Board's resolution was to inform the Health Assembly of the action the Board had taken in connexion with zoonoses (it had requested the Director-General to continue the action proposed in collaboration with FAO), it would not seem necessary for the Health Assembly to adopt a resolution on the matter.

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<sup>1</sup> Transmitted to the Health Assembly in the Committee's fourth report and adopted as resolution WHA23.46.