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No. 1438. AGREEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION AND THE GOVERNMENT OF BOLIVIA CONCERNING A NATION-WIDE TYPHUS CONTROL PROJECT. SIGNED AT LA PAZ, ON 3 JANUARY 1951, AND AT WASHINGTON, ON 7 FEBRUARY 1951

The Government of Bolivia (hereinafter called "the Government"), represented by Dr. Felix Veintemillas, Minister of Hygiene and Health; and

The World Health Organization (hereinafter called "the Organization"), represented by Dr. Fred L. Soper, Regional Director,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

Part I

PLAN OF ACTION

1. Objectives of project

The objectives of the Typhus Control project shall be:

- 1.1 To control typhus on a nation-wide scale by the use of modern insecticides, employing mass application techniques;
- 1.2 To determine and establish adequate technical standards and procedures for large-scale typhus control operations which may be observed and utilized by other interested countries;
- 1.3 To evaluate the results of the programme by systematic surveys and by the analysis of morbidity and mortality rates, utilizing adequate statistical procedures;
- 1.4 To strengthen the public health organization of the Republic of Bolivia with special reference to the Division of Rural Endemic Diseases which will execute and maintain this programme;
- 1.5 To train professional and auxiliary personnel from Bolivia and similar personnel from other countries in large-scale typhus control methods and techniques;
- 1.6 To assist the Ministry of Hygiene and Health (hereinafter called "the Ministry") on request, and to the extent compatible with the attainment of the above objectives and the availability of personnel of the Organization for the project, by giving expert advice on related problems.

¹ Came into force on 1 January 1951, in accordance with part VI.

- Nature and scope of the project
- 2.1 The project shall comprise:
- 2.1.1 Nation-wide control operations by the wide-spread application of effective insecticides;
- 2.1.2 An evaluation of the effectiveness of the control methods employed.
- 2.2 The typhus control operations shall consist of periodic applications of insecticides, for their residual effect, to the population residing in the epidemic and endemic typhus zones of Bolivia.
- 2.3 The project may also include the application of insecticides to the clothing, beds and other household effects of the residents in the typhus zones of Bolivia.

3. Administration and planning

- 3.1 A detailed plan of operations for the national campaign shall be prepared and be annexed to this Agreement.
- 3.2 The project will be conducted and operated under the responsibility of the Government, with the technical assistance of the Organization.
- 3.3 The typhus control programme will be carried out by the Division of Rural Endemic Diseases, in co-operation with such other agencies as the Minister of Hygiene and Health may designate, and in collaboration with the technical consultant of the Organization.
- 3.4 The technical consultant for this project will be under the administrative direction of the Zone Office of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, Regional Office of the Organization, located in Lima, Peru.
- 3.5 The Ministry will notify the local health authorities of the existence of this project and ensure the co-operation of these authorities for carrying out the objectives of the project.
- 4. Publications and reports
- 4.1 The Ministry will encourage publication, both national and international, of the results of this project, so as to facilitate as wide an acquaintance as possible with these results.
- 4.2 Regular monthly reports will be made on the progress of the project to the Ministry of Hygiene and Health by the Director of the Division of Rural Endemic Diseases, copies of which will be transmitted to the WHO technical consultant and to the Organization, through the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, Regional Office for the Americas.

Part II

COMMITMENTS OF THE ORGANIZATION

1. The Organization shall provide the services of a technical consultant for the project for the duration of this Agreement. It is understood that the services

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of the said technical consultant are also to be available to the Government of Peru, which is carrying on a similar typhus control project.

Part III

COMMITMENTS OF THE GOVERNMENT

- 1. The Government agrees to contribute Bs. 2,000,000 (two million Bolivianos) to be included in the 1951 budget of the Ministry. A contribution of the same amount or more will be included in the budget for the year 1952.
- 2. The personnel, administrative facilities and such equipment, materials and supplies which may be required for the project (except those specified to be provided by the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund) will be made available by the Division of Endemic Diseases.

Part IV

Contribution by the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF)

1. It is understood that the contribution of the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund to this co-operative project in the form of equipment supplies and other essential materials, is as specified in a separate agreement between UNICEF and the Government.

Part V

CONTINUATION OF THE PROJECT

1. The Government will continue the project within the resources, when assistance from the Organization and/or the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund is withdrawn.

Part VI DURATION

1. This Agreement and the Annex thereto shall come into force on the first of January 1951 and remain in force until December 31, 1952 subject to the normal budgetary limitations of the Organization in the year commencing January 1952.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, duly authorized for that purpose have signed this Agreement.

Done in quadruplicate at La Paz on 3 January 1951,

(Signed) Dr. Felix Veintemillas Minister of Hygiene and Health and at Washington on 7 February 1951.

(Signed) Dr. Fred L. SOPER World Health Organization