

The Regional Committee,

Recalling resolution WHA34.24 on the meaning of WHO's international health work through coordination and technical cooperation;

Having considered the report of the Sub-Committee on Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries;¹

1. AGREES with the conclusion of the Sub-Committee that, although it is designated the "Sub-Committee on Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries" in pursuance of resolution WPR/RC28.R2, its responsibilities should include the wider area of technical cooperation among countries;

¹Document WPR/RC32/4.

2. NOTES the problems encountered in implementing activities in relation to technical cooperation among countries;
3. AGREES with the proposals for strengthening the mechanisms for technical cooperation among countries;
4. AGREES FURTHER with the recommendations of the Sub-Committee on the role of WHO, based on its constitutional function as the directing and coordinating authority on international health work;
5. REQUESTS the Regional Director to take appropriate action to implement the recommendations of the Sub-Committee;
6. REQUESTS the Sub-Committee, for its work in 1982, to address the subject of the role of WHO collaborating centres in promoting technical cooperation among countries, in relation to the special needs of developing countries.

Third meeting, 23 September 1981