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DIRECTION AND CO-ORDINATION OF INTERNATIONAL
HEALTH WORK

During the Technical Discussions it was decided to forward the following draft resolution to the Regional Committee for consideration:

- CONSIDERING that the first function of the World Health Organization as listed in Article 2 of the Constitution is "to act as the directing and co-ordinating authority on international health work" and
- KNOWING that there are in existence very many international organizations concerned partly or wholly with health, and
- KNOWING that there is a world shortage of expert personnel, and
- KNOWING that the total resources available for meeting health problems are inadequate, and while
- RECOGNIZING that certain agencies possess particular advantages in special fields, nevertheless
- RECOMMENDS to the Member Governments that consideration be given to inviting the Organization to exercise to a greater extent the co-ordinating authority given to the Organization by Article 2 of the Constitution.