

CONSTITUTION
OF THE
WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

Signed at New York on 22 July 1946

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Adopted by resolution WHA26.37
of the twenty-sixth World Health Assembly
at its fifteenth Plenary Meeting on
22 May 1973

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W O R L D H E A L T H O R G A N I Z A T I O N

RESOLUTION
OF THE
TWENTY-SIXTH WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY
AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION
OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION
(Articles 34 and 55)

The Twenty-sixth World Health Assembly,

Having examined the desirability of introducing a biennial programme and budget as set out in Resolution WHA25.24 and in the Report of the Director-General to the Twenty-fifth World Health Assembly on this subject;

Considering the recommendation made to the Twenty-sixth Health Assembly by the Executive Board at its Fifty-first session in Resolution EB51.R51 that a programme and budget for a biennial period be introduced as soon as possible and to adopt the proposed amendments to Articles 34 and 55 of the Constitution;

Noting that the provision of Article 73 of the Constitution, which requires that the texts of proposed amendments to the Constitution shall be communicated to Members at least six months before consideration by the Health Assembly, has been duly complied with,

I

1. ADOPTS the amendments to the Constitution set forth in the Annexes to this resolution, and which shall form an integral part of this resolution, the texts in the Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish languages being equally authentic;

2. DECIDES that two copies of this resolution shall be authenticated by the signatures of the President of the Twenty-sixth World Health Assembly, and the Director-General of the World Health Organization, of which one copy shall be transmitted to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, depositary of the Constitution, and one copy retained in the archives of the World Health Organization.

II

Considering that the aforesaid amendments to the Constitution shall come into force for all Members when accepted by two-thirds of the Members in accordance with their respective constitutional processes, as provided for in Article 73 of the Constitution,

DECIDES that the notification of such acceptance shall be effected by the deposit of a formal instrument with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, as required for acceptance of the Constitution by Article 79(b) of the Constitution.

IN FAITH WHEREOF we have appended our signatures hereto.

Done at Geneva this twenty-fourth day of May 1973 in two copies.

[Signed]

J. Sulianti

President of the Twenty-sixth
World Health Assembly

[Signed]

M. G. Candau

Director-General of the
World Health Organization