

EM/RC37/R.8 **REPORT ON THE LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME IN
INTERNATIONAL HEALTH (First Session, 1989)**

The Regional Committee,

Recalling Resolutions EM/RC33/R.5 and EM/RC36/R.15;

Noting with satisfaction the Report of the Regional Director on the EMR Leadership Development Programme in International Health* (LDP);

Noting also the recommendations for specific actions contained in the Regional Director's report;

Recognizing that continued efforts are required also in leadership development to close the implementation gap in the health-for-all movement;

1. NOTES with appreciation the efforts of the Regional Director to prepare, organize, implement and evaluate the LDP;
2. THANKS the members of the LDP External Review Committee, all the trainers and trainees, national and WHO experts who contributed to the success of the LDP;
3. EXPRESSES the conviction that the LDP is a unique, innovative, creative programme that successfully meets important, earlier unmet, needs of the Eastern Mediterranean Region;
4. DECIDES that the LDP be continued at least until the end of the current Medium-Term Programme period (end-1995);
5. ENDORSES the aims and objectives of the LDP and recognizes them as being consistent with national and regional health development priorities in the Eastern Mediterranean Region, and as such, they should continue to serve as the basis for programme organization after further sharpening and clarification as proposed by the LDP External Review Committee;
6. INVITES Member States in the Eastern Mediterranean Region to take full advantage of the LDP both by proposing appropriate candidates and by working with the participants in Phase 2 of the Programme;
7. URGES Member States in the Region to provide ample opportunity to LDP participants on returning to their countries after completing the Programme, to fully exercise, and develop further, their enhanced leadership capabilities and newly acquired skills in international health planning and management;
8. AFFIRMS that ten percent of the general fellowship allocations should continue to be earmarked for the LDP, at least up to the end of the biennium 1994-1995, and

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9. REQUESTS the Regional Director:

- (1) to keep the Regional Committee informed regularly on the extent the Member States in the Region benefited from the very considerable human and financial investments that the LDP represents;
- (2) to continue his efforts to ensure the success of this important programme; and
- (3) to report to the Regional Committee in 1991, in an interim report, and in 1992, in a full report, on the Second Session of the LDP and on the future plans concerning the LDP.