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Biographical Note

Sir Aly Tewfik Shousha, Pasha

Chairman of the WHO Executive Board and Director-Designate
of the WHO Regional Bureau in Alexandria

Sir Aly Tewfik Shousha, Pasha, Chairman of the Executive Board of the World Health Organization and Director-Designate of the World Health Organization Regional Bureau in Alexandria, was born in Cairo on 17 August 1891. He received an M.D. degree at the University of Berlin in 1915, and specialized in the study of bacteriology at the University of Zurich. He first worked voluntarily, and was later appointed Assistant, at the Hygienisches Institute in Zurich.

On his return to Egypt, he served as a bacteriologist in the State Laboratories. In 1924, he became Deputy Director of the Egyptian State Laboratories, and in 1930 Director-General. In 1939, he was appointed Assistant Under-Secretary of State in the Ministry of Public Health, and in 1940 was appointed to his present post of Under-Secretary of State in the Ministry of Health.

Many articles by Sir Aly Tewfik Shousha, Pasha, on bacteriology including immunology, and other subjects, have appeared in English, German and Arabic scientific journals. He is a member of the Linguistic Academy of Egypt, Chairman of the Egyptian Bacteriological and Pathological Society, and Honorary President of the Egyptian Public Health Association.

His many decorations include the Nile Order (Egypt 1936) and the Medal of the United States Typhus Commission (1944). In 1946 he was made Commander of the Order of the British Empire, and in 1948 Knight Commander.