

MEMORANDUM ON THE INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF LEPROSY

TO BE HELD AT HAVANA, CUBA, IN APRIL, 1948.

The next International Leprosy Congress will be held in the Spring of 1948, and an invitation has been received and accepted from the Government of Cuba to make Havana, Cuba, the location of the Congress, the date being fixed as April 3-11, 1948.

The Government of Cuba is issuing official invitations to all Governments with which they have diplomatic relations, asking them to send official delegates, and these will be delivered in due course.

All members of the International Leprosy Association are also invited to attend, and those who can do so should notify the Secretary of the International Leprosy Association, 167 Victoria Street, London, S.W.1 as soon as possible. They should also notify the Secretary of the Organising Committee (Dr. Ismael Ferrer, Ministerio de Salubridad y Asistencia Social, Marianas, Habana, Cuba) of intention to attend, and of the manner and time of arrival.

Official delegates and members of the Association (whether they can attend or not) are invited to send in papers. These should be of such length that they can be read in ten minutes, and should deal with the subjects to be discussed at the Congress as maintained below. Titles and, if possible, short abstracts, of papers should be sent to the Secretary of the I.L.A. so as to reach him before the end of December, 1947. Copies of the papers themselves should be sent to the Secretary of the Congress so as to reach him before April 1st, 1948, or alternatively be delivered personally to the Secretary before the beginning of the Congress.

Leprosy will be discussed under the following five headings:—

- (a) Epidemiology and control, (b) Pathology and bacteriology,
- (c) Classification, (d) Therapeutics, (e) Sociology.