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EXPRO-245: Add.2 - UNICEF's New Policy on Meeting Basic Child Health Needs

TO: Field Offices 19 February 1976

FROM: Newton R. Bowles

SUBJECT: Printed Report on Primary Health Care
Alternative Approaches to Meeting Basic Health Needs in
Developing Countries

Attached is a copy of the printed version of the joint UNICEF/WHO report on Alternative Approaches to Meeting Basic Health Needs in Developing Countries. This is a joint UNICEF/WHO publication. At present this report is available in English and French. We expect that the Spanish version will be available in April.

To those UNICEF offices which work mainly in the French language, we are sending herewith both the French and English versions. Other offices are receiving the English version only. The Spanish version will be distributed to UNICEF offices in Latin America as soon as available. The printed report differs from the version presented to our Executive Board in 1975 in that it has been edited for greater clarity and in that summaries of the case studies, which were formerly presented as annexes, are now incorporated into the body of the report.

The total printing is: English - 10,000, French - 5,000, Spanish - 5,000. Of the above quantities, UNICEF will have one half for distribution. The League of Arab States is currently preparing a translation into Arabic which will be distributed through our Regional Office for the Eastern Mediterranean.

The printed version of the report will be of interest to planners and policy makers in government, to senior health personnel, and to colleagues in other international and bilateral aid agencies. Since WHO will also be distributing the report, you will wish to consult your WHO colleagues and co-ordinate UNICEF distribution with them. UNICEF is distributing this report free.

Since bulk supplies of this report are in Geneva, please address your requests for copies to the UNICEF Office for Europe, attention Miss Monica Hodgson (with a copy for information to the HQ Library).

WHO is also preparing, in consultation with UNICEF, a public information pamphlet summarising the basic ideas in the new policy orientation.

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