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OF THE
EUROPEAN HOSPITAL FUND
AUTHORITY
FOR THE YEAR
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THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND WELFARE,
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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EUROPEAN HOSPITAL FUND AUTHORITY

Sir,

In accordance with the provisions of Section 16 (b) of the Hospital Treatment Relief (European) Ordinance, No. 33 of 1951, the European Hospital Fund Authority established under the Ordinance is required to furnish as soon as possible after the expiration of each year a Report upon the administration of the affairs of the Authority during such year together with a Balance Sheet and Statement of the Receipts and Payments of the Authority, duly audited by the Government Auditor.

The Authority now has pleasure in submitting its Report for the year ended 31st December, 1959, supported by Audited Accounts.

AUTHORITY

2. The Hospital Fund Authority constituted in accordance with clause 3 (2) of the Ordinance, at present comprises of the following members:—

Mr. K. A. Jeremy (Chairman)	}	Appointed by the European Elected Members of Legislative Council.
Mr. K. A. Adcock		
Mr. G. E. Nevill	}	Appointed by the Minister for Finance. Appointed by the Minister for Health and Welfare.
Col. T. H. Henfrey		
Mr. P. J. Riley		
Mr. A. C. Waine		

BENEFITS AVAILABLE

3. The Authority is empowered to make payments out of the Fund of the following allowances to contributors:—

- A daily allowance of such amount and for such period as may be prescribed towards the cost of fees incurred by a contributor in respect of hospital treatment received by such contributor.
- A daily allowance of such amount for such period and towards such expenses actually incurred by a contributor as may be prescribed during a disability suffered by him, in cases where hospital facilities are not utilized.
- Such sum as may be prescribed in respect of expenses actually incurred in connexion with confinement for maternity purposes of a contributor.

4. Benefits payable as at 31st December, 1959, were as follows:—

- Hospital Treatment Benefits Sh. 55 per day.
- Qualified Nursing Services Sh. 50 per day.
- Maternity Benefit Sh. 200.

5. The following comparative summary of benefits paid and number of claims will be of interest to contributors:—

	1957	1958	1959
	£	£	£
(i) Hospital Treatment	226,159	270,129	305,981
(ii) Qualified Nursing Services	31,630	41,728	46,082
(iii) Maternity Benefits	12,320	13,290	12,110
	<u>270,109</u>	<u>325,147</u>	<u>364,173</u>
Number of Claims dealt with	17,936	18,340	18,456

6. Attention is invited to the fact that, the benefits paid under para. 4 (i) above, representing an increase of Sh. 5 per day, became effective on the 1st July, 1959. In addition, the scope of benefits payable by the Authority was extended by gazetted approved hospitals in England, Wales and Scotland; the Union of South Africa, and the Federations of Rhodesia and Nyasaland, all with effect from 1st July, 1959; and Mathari Mental Hospital with effect from the 1st October, 1959.

7. An Actuarial Review is required by the Minister, under Section 16 (c) of the Ordinance, 1951, and Mr. H. Tetley, C.B., the Government Actuary in the United Kingdom, has been appointed to carry out this Review on behalf of the Authority.

8. The Authority records its appreciation of the continued guidance and advice received from the Kenya Unit of the East African Statistical Department.

We have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servants,

K. A. JEREMY, *Chairman*,

P. J. RILEY, *Member*,
for European Hospital Fund Authority.

REPORT OF THE ACTING CONTROLLER AND AUDITOR-GENERAL ON THE ACCOUNTS OF THE EUROPEAN HOSPITAL TREATMENT RELIEF FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1959

In my reports on the accounts for the years 1956, 1957 and 1958 I stated that no adjustments had been made in connexion with the contributions received from Government which were incorrectly calculated in respect of the former Hospital Services (European) Ordinance, Chapter 126. The Authority agreed to accept all calculation of Government's liability on the basis of that obtaining under Section 13 of the Hospital Treatment Relief (European) Ordinance No. 33 of 1951, and to waive its claim to any increase in contributions due in respect of assessments under Section 12 (2) of the former Ordinance, Chapter 126. It had also been pointed out to the Authority in this connexion that Government's contribution did not appear to have been received on certain contributions paid over by the Commissioner of Income Tax in 1954. These matters are still the subject of correspondence.

2. I have seen Schedules of Default amounting to £4,913-19s.-65cts. in respect of contributions payable to the Fund by the Commissioner of Income Tax which relate to the period up to 30th June, 1959. These amounts have been written off under the provisions of Section 8 (d) of the Hospital Treatment Relief (European) Ordinance, No. 33 of 1951.

Nairobi,
29th June, 1960.

G. C. COWAN,
Acting Controller and Auditor-General.

