

FOREWORD

As the Secretary—General of the South East Asia Treaty Organization, it gives me pleasure to introduce the Annual Progress Report of the SEATO Medical Research Laboratory.

Once again, it shows the wide range of research and the diverse work programme of the Laboratory which have, however, the common aim of improving the health of the people of the region.

Much progress has been made in this respect but much remains to be done. It will only be done by the dedication and hard work of people like the doctors, scientists, technicians, and other staff of the Laboratory whose efforts are so well exemplified by this report.

I wish them continued success.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Sunthorn Hongladarom". The signature is written in dark ink and is centered on the page.

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SEATO Medical Research Laboratory like many other institutions felt the squeezing effect of the tight budget during the period of the report. This, however, was no deterrence to the conscientious workers in the Laboratory. They had made the fullest use of the available resources and carried out their study and investigation with vigor as ever. This is being testified by the contents of this report which cover the work done between April 1973 and March 1974.

It is hoped that the information in this report will be of value to those interested as did the previous ones.

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