

FOREWORD

It is my pleasure as Secretary-General of the South-East Asia Treaty Organization to provide this introduction to the annual progress report of the SEATO Medical Research Laboratory for 1975-76.

The achievements over the years of the SEATO Medical Research Laboratory testify well to the initiatives and the industry of the staff of this institution whose expertise and continued hard work contribute significantly to the improvement of the health of the people of this region. The present report is a further testimony to the endeavour in the varied research programmes undertaken by the laboratory in the year under review.

As the phase-out of the Secretariat-General of the South-East Asia Treaty Organization approaches, I am proud and happy to think that the SEATO Medical Research Laboratory will remain, although even under another name, as a worthy legacy of the collective efforts by the member nations to enhance the welfare and development of this region.

I wish all future success to the staff of the Laboratory whose efforts and dedication will be evident to all who read this report.



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