Washington D.C., 27 September – 6 October 1977

RESOLUTION

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EXPANDED PROGRAM ON IMMUNIZATION

THE 25th DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having examined the report of the Director (Document CD25/14) on the Expanded Program on Immunization and noting the limited funds allocated to it in the regular budget for 1978 and 1979;

Having reviewed the general policy recommendations made to the Director by the Study Group of the Executive Committee on strategies for implementation of the Program;

Having taken note of the efforts made to develop the Program at the country and regional level and the progress achieved in respect of Recommendations 2, 3, and 5 (Communicable diseases) of the Ten-year Health Plan for the Americas,1 and Resolutions XXII of the XX Meeting of the Directing Council, IX of the 74th Meeting of the Executive Committee of PAHO, and WHA 27.57 and WHA29.63 of the World Health Assembly;2

Taking into consideration Resolutions WHA30.53 and WHA30.543 of the World Health Assembly, and Resolutions XIII and XIV of the 78th Meeting of the Executive Committee of PAHO;

After analyzing the funding requirements and the Director's proposal concerning sources of funding for the implementation of the Program; and

Having examined the proposal for the establishment of a Revolving Fund for the purchase of vaccines,

RESOLVES

- 1. To approve and endorse the Program objectives and the policy statement presented in the Director's report (Document CD25/14).
- 2. To endorse the recommendations of the Study Group of the Executive Committee on the Expanded Program on Immunization.
- 3. To authorize the Director to prepare, within the framework of the Expanded Program on Immunization, appropriate operational guidelines to assist the Member Governments in the development of their programs.
- 4. To urge the Member Governments to formulate specific plans for the intensification and maintenance of immunization activities on a long-term basis.
- 5. To recommend to the Member Governments that they give a high priority to the immunization component of their programs for maternal and child health, primary health care, and extension of coverage of health services.
- 6. To authorize the Director to establish the Revolving Fund as proposed.
- 7. To authorize the Director to study the feasibility of obtaining the funds for the Expanded Program on Immunization as presented in item 5 of Document CD25/14 and to intensify activities in coordination with UNICEF and other potential donor agencies with a view to obtaining additional extrabudgetary funds.
- 8. To request the Director to inform the Directing Council regularly on the progress made in the Program.

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