



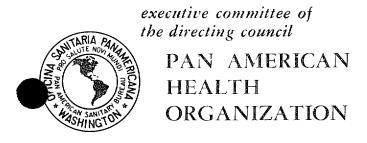
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#### FINAL REPORT

The 78th Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Pan American Health Organization was held at the Headquarters Building in Washington, D.C., from 13 through 21 June 1977, as convened by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

The following members of the Committee, observers, and officers of the Bureau attended the Meeting:

## Members:

Dr. Laurence J. Charles, Sr. BAHAMAS

Dr. Luis Alberto Valle Ureña BOLIVIA

Dr. Fernando Patiño Villegas

Dr. Gustavo Mora Patiño COLOMBIA

Dr. Rodrigo Jiménez Monge COSTA RICA

Dr. Asdrúbal de la Torre ECUADOR

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Dr. Rubén M. Cáceres PARAGUAY

Dr. Hubert Blackett TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

Dr. Elizabeth Quamina

Dr. Robert de Caires

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Mr. Robert Andrew

Mr. Lyndall Beamer

Ms. Marlyn Kefauver

## Observers:

Mr. Alberto E. Naveiro de la Serna

ARGENTINA

Dr. Alfredo Norberto Bica

BRAZIL

Mr. Gustave C. Strain

FRANCE

Ms. Katherine Dumait

## Pan American Sanitary Bureau:

Dr. Héctor R. Acuña Director

Dr. Charles L. Williams, Jr. Deputy Director

Dr. Eusebio del Cida Peralta Assistant Director

Mr. William E. Muldoon Chief of Administration

Dr. Pedro N. Acha Chief, Division of Disease Control

Mr. Frank A. Butrico Chief, Division of Environmental Health

Dr. Jorge Rosselot Acting Chief, Division of Family Health

Dr. José Luis García Gutiérrez Chief, Division of Health Services

Dr. José Roberto Ferreira Chief, Division of Human Resources and Research

Ms. Mary H. Burke Acting Chief, Division of Supporting Services

## Chief, Secretariat Services:

Mr. Luis Larrea Alba, Jr., Chief Department of Conference and General Services

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

## Inter-American Development Bank

Dr. Humberto Olivero

#### OFFICERS

In accordance with Rules 9 and 11 of the Rules of Procedure, the officers of the Committee were as follows:

Chairman: Dr. Gustavo Mora Patiño COLOMBIA

Vice Chairman pro tempore: Dr. Laurence J. Charles, Sr. BAHAMAS

Rapporteur: Dr. Rubén M. Cáceres PARAGUAY

Secretary ex officio: Dr. Héctor R. Acuña DIRECTOR,

PAN AMERICAN

SANITARY BUREAU

## AGENDA

Pursuant to Rule 5 of the Rules of Procedure, the Executive Committee adopted at its first plenary session, held on 13 June, 1977 the provisional agenda (Document CE78/1, Rev. 3), as submitted by the Director.

## SESSIONS

The Committee held 13 plenary sessions and a closing session. Five sessions were devoted to a detailed examination of the proposed program and budget estimates of the Organization prepared by the Director pursuant to Article 14-C of the Constitution. During this study the Committee was assisted by the Director and the technical staff of the Bureau.

## RESOLUTIONS APPROVED

In the course of the Meeting the Committee approved the following 24 resolutions:

#### RESOLUTION I

CE78.R1

DATES OF THE XXV MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL OF PAHO, XXIX MEETING OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE OF WHO FOR THE AMERICAS

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having considered Document CE78/3 submitted by the Director on the dates of the XXV Meeting of the Directing Council of PAHO, XXIX Meeting of the Regional Committee of WHO for the Americas; and

Bearing in mind Articles 12.A and 14.A of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization and Rule 1 of the Rules of Procedure of the Directing Council,

#### RESOLVES:

To authorize the Director to convoke the XXV Meeting of the Directing Council of PAHO, XXIX Meeting of the Regional Committee of WHO for the Americas, to meet at the Headquarters Building in Washington, D.C., from 27 September to 7 October 1977.

## RESOLUTION II CE78 R2

PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF THE XXV MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL OF PAHO, XXIX MEETING OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE OF WHO FOR THE AMERICAS

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having studied the provisional agenda (Document CD25/1) of the XXV Meeting of the Directing Council of PAHO, XXIX Meeting of the Regional Committee of WHO for the Americas, prepared by the Director and presented as annex to Document CE78/4; and

Bearing in mind Article 12.C of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization and Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure of the Directing Council,

#### RESOLVES:

To approve the provisional agenda (Document CD25/1) prepared by the Director for the XXV Meeting of the Directing Council of PAHO, XXIX Meeting of the Regional Committee of WHO for the Americas, presented as annex to Document CE78/4.

## RESOLUTION III CE78.R3

## COLLECTION OF QUOTA CONTRIBUTIONS

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having considered the report of the Director on the collection of quota contributions (Document CE78/9 and Add. II);

Noting that, of the four countries with approved payment plans for liquidating their arrears, only one had made a payment by the time of the Executive Committee Meeting;

Considering the importance of prompt and full payment of quota contributions to assure the financing of the authorized program and budget and to maintain the Organization in a sound cash position; and

Bearing in mind the provisions of Article 6.B of the Constitution of PAHO relating to the suspension of voting privileges of Governments failing to meet their financial obligations,

#### RESOLVES:

- 1. To take note of the report of the Director on the collection of quota contributions (Document CE78/9 and Add. II).
- 2. To thank the Governments that have already made payments in 1977 and to urge the other Governments whose legal circumstances so permit to pay their current quotas as early as possible in the year they are due so that the work of the Organization can continue and the financial burden of its program can be spread fairly among all Members.
- 3. To direct the attention of Governments once again to the provision of Article V, paragraph 5.4, of the Financial Regulations of PAHO which reads: "Contributions shall be considered as due and payable in full...as of the first day of the financial year to which they relate... As of 1 January of the following financial year, the unpaid balance of such unpaid contributions shall be considered to be one year in arrears."
- 4. To request the Director to continue to inform the Governments of any balances due and to report to the Directing Council at its XXV Meeting on the status of the collection of quota contributions.

#### RESOLUTION IV

CE78 R4

## FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR AND REPORT OF THE EXTERNAL AUDITOR FOR FISCAL YEAR 1976

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having examined the Financial Report of the Director and Report of the External Auditor for fiscal year 1976 (Official Document 147); and

Recognizing that the Organization continues to be in a sound financial situation,

## **RESOLVES:**

- 1. To take note of the Financial Report of the Director and Report of the External Auditor for fiscal year 1976 (Official Document 147) and to transmit it to the Directing Council at its XXV Meeting.
- 2. To commend the Director for having achieved and maintained a sound financial situation.

#### RESOLUTION V

CE78.R5

## PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET ESTIMATES OF THE PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION FOR 1978

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Bearing in mind that the Directing Council at its XXIV Meeting recognized that the provisional draft of the program and budget estimates of the Pan American Health Organization for 1978 (Official Document 141) had been formulated in cooperation with national authorities;

Considering that the provisional draft has been the subject of further consultations with and study by the Governments to determine their latest desires and requirements;

Having carefully examined the proposed program and budget estimates of PAHO for 1978 (Official Document 148); and

Bearing in mind Article 14-C of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization and Article III, paragraphs 3.5 and 3.6, of the PAHO Financial Regulations,

## RESOLVES:

To recommend to the Directing Council that at its XXV Meeting it approve the proposed program and budget estimates of PAHO for 1978 by adopting the appropriation and assessment resolutions appearing in Official Document 148.

## RESOLUTION VI

**CE78 R6** 

PROVISIONAL DRAFT OF THE PROGRAM AND BUDGET OF THE PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION FOR 1979

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having examined Official Document 148 submitted by the Director, which contains the provisional draft that is to constitute the basis for the preparation of the proposed program and budget estimates of the Pan American Health Organization for 1979, to be considered by the Executive Committee at its 80th Meeting and by the XX Pan American Sanitary Conference; and

Recognizing that the provisional draft of the proposed program and budget estimates contains much needed projects formulated in cooperation with the national authorities.

#### RESOLVES:

- 1. To take note of the provisional draft of the proposed program and budget estimates of the Pan American Health Organization for 1979 appearing in Official Document 148.
- 2. To request the Director to use the provisional draft as a basis for the preparation of the proposed program and budget estimates for 1979, after further consultations with the Governments to determine their latest desires and requirements in relation to the health priorities of the countries.

## RESOLUTION VII

**CE78 R7** 

RESOLUTIONS OF THE THIRTIETH WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY
AND OF THE SIXTIETH SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
OF INTEREST TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having examined Document CE78/10 containing resolutions of the Thirtieth World Health Assembly and of the sixtieth session of the Executive Board; and

Having taken note of the information provided by the Director concerning the activities being carried out in the various fields,

## **RESOLVES:**

- 1. To take note of the resolutions of the Thirtieth World Health Assembly and of the sixtieth session of the Executive Board contained in Document CE78/10.
- 2. To transmit these resolutions to the Directing Council at its XXV Meeting for information and any action the Council deems appropriate.

#### RESOLUTION VIII

**CE78 R8** 

# AMENDMENTS TO THE STAFF RULES OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having considered the amendments to the Staff Rules of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau submitted by the Director in the Annex to Document CE78/8;

Recognizing the need for uniformity of treatment of PASB and WHO staff; and

Bearing in mind the provisions of Staff Rule 030,

## **RESOLVES:**

- 1. To confirm the amendments to the Staff Rules of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau submitted by the Director in the Annex to Document CE78/8, effective 1 January 1977.
- 2. To leave in abeyance the application of Rule 275 pending the approval by the United Nations of the relevant recommendation of the International Civil Service Commission on the understanding that if the situation arises, it would likewise be applicable with retroactive effect as of 1 January 1977.

#### RESOLUTION IX

**CE78 R9** 

## SALARY OF THE DIRECTOR

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Considering the revision made to the schedule of salaries of the professional and higher categories of staff in graded posts, effective 1 January 1977;

Recognizing the dual responsibilities of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau as the secretariat of the Pan American Health Organization and the Regional Office of the World Health Organization for the Americas; and

Bearing in mind Resolution XX of the XX Meeting of the Directing Council,

#### **RESOLVES:**

To recommend to the Directing Council at its XXV Meeting that it establish the salary of the Director at \$44,344 (dependency rate) or \$40,220 (single rate) per annum, effective 1 January 1977, and that consequent upon the adjustment of salary appropriate revision be made of the post adjustment rate.

## RESOLUTION X CE78.R10

#### SALARIES OF THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Considering the revision made to the schedule of salaries of the professional and higher categories of staff in graded posts, effective 1 January 1977;

Noting that the salaries of the Deputy Director and the Assistant Director warrant adjustment; and

Bearing in mind Staff Regulation 3.1 of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau,

## RESOLVES:

- 1. To approve the proposal of the Director to:
  - a. Establish the salary of the Deputy Director at \$40,269 (dependency rate) or \$36,661 (single rate) per annum, effective 1 January 1977.
  - b. Establish the salary of the Assistant Director at \$39,269 (dependency rate) or \$35,661 (single rate) per annum, effective 1 January 1977.
- 2. To note that, consequent upon the revision of salaries for these officials, appropriate revision will be made of the post adjustment rates.

#### RESOLUTION XI

CE78 R11

## TOPIC OF THE TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS, 1978

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Having examined Document CE78/18 presented by the Director concerning the topic selected by the Directing Council at its XXIV Meeting, held in Mexico City, for the Technical Discussions to be held during the XX Pan American Sanitary Conference in 1978,

## **RESOLVES:**

- 1. To recommend to the Directing Council at its XXV Meeting that it clarify the topic of the Technical Discussions for the XX Pan American Sanitary Conference in 1978 by adopting the title: "The Impact of Drugs on Health Costs: National and International Problems."
- 2. To request Member Governments to cooperate fully with the Organization to assure the success of the Discussions.

#### RESOLUTION XII

## CE78 R12

X INTER-AMERICAN MEETING, AT THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL, ON FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE AND ZOONOSES CONTROL

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having considered the Final Report of the X Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Control (Document RICAZ10/FR);

Bearing in mind the increasing number of requests for technical assistance in the field of animal health and veterinary public health being made to the Organization by the Member Countries that are carrying out programs for the prevention or control of foot—and—mouth disease and other zoonoses:

Recognizing that these diseases are a serious problem for the economic and social development of the countries; and

Recognizing that the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center and the Pan American Zoonoses Center are carrying out activities essential to the support of animal health and veterinary public health programs,

#### RESOLVES:

- 1. To request the Director to transmit to the Directing Council at its XXV Meeting the Final Report of the X Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Control (Document RICAZ10/FR) contained in Document CE78/7.
- 2. To recommend to the Directing Council that at its XXV Meeting it examine the possibility of adopting a resolution along the following lines:

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the Final Report of the X Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Control (Document RICAZ10/FR);

Bearing in mind the importance of the technical cooperation which the Organization is providing to the Governments of the Member countries through the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Centers in the planning, operation, and evaluation of animal health programs essential to the prevention, control and eradication of diseases of importance both to man and to animals;

Aware of the increasing number of requests for technical cooperation being made by the countries in the fields of animal health and veterinary public health; and

Bearing in mind the importance of the activities for the training of the human resources necessary for the efficient conduct of animal health and veterinary public health programs being carried out by the above-mentioned Centers,

#### RESOLVES:

- 1. To take note of the Final Report of the X Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Control (Document RICAZ10/FR).
- 2. To thank the Ministers of Agriculture for the support and contributions they are providing to the above-mentioned Centers in order to enable them to solve their financial problems, as stated in Resolutions I, II and VIII appearing in Document RICAZ10/FR.
- 3. To express their appreciation to the Ministers of Agriculture for their efforts to strengthen the economy and improve the health of the countries of the Hemisphere through programs for the prevention and control of animal diseases.
- 4. To recommend to the Ministers of Agriculture and Health of the Hemisphere that they continue their combined efforts in a coordinated foot-and-mouth disease and zoonoses control campaign.

## RESOLUTION XIII

## CE78 R13

## PRIORITIES FOR THE WHO DIRECTOR-GENERAL'S DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, 1978-1979

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having examined the proposals of the Director for funding under the Director General's Development Program, 1978-1979 (Document CE78/22);

Recognizing that all the 10 proposals of the Director contained in Document CE78/22 reflect demonstrated priority health needs in the Region of the Americas; and

Taking into account the views expressed by the members of the Executive Committee,

#### RESOLVES:

- 1. To recommend that the highest priority be accorded to projects 1, 6 and 9 contained in the Annex to Document CE78/22, for funding with resources from the Director General's Development Program.
- 2. To express the opinion that projects 3 and 5 are also of high priority, in case additional funds may be available.
- 3. To request the Director to convey its views to the Directing Council at its XXV Meeting.

## RESOLUTION XIV

## CE78 R14

## ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FROM VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS FOR SPECIAL PROGRAMS

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having studied the proposals of the Director for possible funding with resources from the Director-General's Development Program, 1978-1979, (Document CE78/22);

Bearing in mind the views of the Executive Committee as expressed in Resolution XIII; and

Being of the opinion that all the 10 projects suggested by the Director in the Annex to Document CE78/22 reflect priority health needs in the Region of the Americas,

#### RESOLVES:

- 1. To request the Director to express to the Director-General its thanks for his action to make additional resources available to the Region of the Americas in order to respond to high priority health needs.
- 2. To request the Director to indicate to the Director-General the desirability of bearing in mind, when allocating such voluntary funds as may become available, the capacity of AMRO to give effect to the implementation of programs for the control of diarrheal diseases and to the Expanded Program of Immunization.

## RESOLUTION XV CE78 R15

## INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE CHILD, 1979

#### THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Bearing in mind the resolutions of the Economic and Social Council and of the United Nations General Assembly concerning the celebration in 1979 of an International Year of the Child, the basic purpose of which would be to emphasize at the decision-making levels of the Governments of the countries the need to pay urgent attention to comprehensive child welfare activities as part of national social and economic development plans; and

Having examined the relevant information provided by the Director on this matter, particularly in regard to the specific cooperation requested by the United Nations General Assembly of the pertinent international agencies,

#### **RESOLVES:**

- 1. To thank the Director for the information provided concerning the International Year of the Child, 1979, and to instruct him to promote the participation of the Pan American Health Organization in the preparation and implementation of the plans to be carried out in the Region to this end, in coordination with other international agencies and in particular with the United Nations Children's Fund.
- 2. To assign a high priority to the activities to be undertaken in the countries themselves relating to health education, nutrition, immunization, and control of enteric diseases, and also to emphasize the development of the infrastructure and the training of the personnel required, with special regard to achieving for all children a state of total well-being, bearing in mind its implications for the development of the countries.
- 3. To request the Director to submit this matter, in accordance with the decisions of the United Nations and in particular of the Organizing Committee of the International Year of the Child, to the Directing Council for consideration at its XXV Meeting.

(Approved at the twelfth plenary session, 20 June 1977)

## RESOLUTION XVI

CE78 R16

#### REDUCTION OF LENGTH OF MEETINGS OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having studied Document CE78/6 prepared by the Director on the reduction of the length of meetings of the Directing Council;

Believing that the duration of meetings of the Council should be the outcome of decisions on agenda items and of analysis and debate of each sufficient to allow it to fulfill its vital role in guiding the Organization towards fulfillment of its goals;

Recognizing that it is the responsibility of the Directing Council at each of its meetings to determine its own program of work for that particular meeting, in accordance with the provisions of Article 12.C of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization; and

Convinced that the Rules of Procedure of the Directing Council should not be changed for this purpose,

## **RESOLVES:**

- 1. To take note of Document CE78/6 prepared by the Director on the reduction of the length of meetings of the Directing Council.
- 2. To transmit this document to the Directing Council at its XXV Meeting with the recommendation that a decision be taken on this matter that does not compromise the vital role played by the Directing Council in the achievement of the goals of the Organization.

(Approved at the twelfth plenary session, 20 June 1977)

#### RESOLUTION XVII

## CE78 R17

MECHANISMS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF OFFICIAL RELATIONS BETWEEN PAHO AND NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having examined Document CE78/20 on the establishment of official relations between the Pan American Health Organization and nongovernmental organizations, submitted by the Director;

Bearing in mind Resolution CSP14.28, approved by the XIV Pan American Sanitary Conference, formulating the criteria which should govern the establishment and maintenance of official relations between the Pan American Health Organization and nongovernmental organizations; and

Recognizing the need for establishing procedures for the application of these criteria,

#### RESOLVES:

To recommend to the Directing Council that it approve a resolution along the following lines:

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having examined Document CE78/20 submitted by the Director to the Executive Committee at its 78th Meeting;

Recognizing the need to formalize the procedures for applying the criteria established by the XIV Pan American Sanitary Conference (CSP14.28); and

Desiring to facilitate the consideration by the Governing Bodies of these subjects,

#### RESOLVES:

- 1. To instruct the Director to develop procedures for the establishment of official relations with nongovernmental international organizations.
- 2. To authorize the Director, on the basis of these procedures, to make the appropriate decisions in regard to the applications submitted.

- 3. To instruct the Director before communicating his decisions to the applicants to inform the members of the Executive Committee of the background data he used in making the decisions.
- 4. The objection by any member of the Executive Committee to a decision of the Director shall be brought to his notice within a maximum period of 60 days in order that the topic may be included in the agenda of the succeeding Meeting for a decision by the Executive Committee.

(Approved at the twelfth plenary session, 20 June 1977)

#### RESOLUTION XVIII

## **CE78 R18**

# PROPOSED PAHO POLICY FOR DENGUE, YELLOW FEVER AND AEDES AEGYPTI

## THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having studied the Report of the First Meeting of the PAHO Scientific Advisory Committee on Dengue, Yellow Fever and Aedes aegypti, as well as the observations of the Governments on that Report; and

Considering the epidemiological situation of the Region in regard to these diseases,

#### **RESOLVES:**

- 1. To request the Director to transmit to the Directing Council at its XXV Meeting the document prepared by the Secretariat entitled "Proposed PAHO Policy for Dengue, Yellow Fever, and Aedes aegypti."
- 2. To recommend to the Directing Council that at its XXV Meeting it adopt a resolution along the following lines:

## THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having studied the Report of the First Meeting of the PAHO Scientific Advisory Committee on Dengue, Yellow Fever, and Aedes aegypti, as well as the observations of the Governments on that Report:

Taking into account the present situation of the Aedes aegypti eradication program in the Americas and the serious problems of reinfestation faced by many countries;

Considering that the presence of jungle yellow fever in extensive areas of the Americas and of hemorrhagic dengue in the Caribbean constitutes a serious threat for this Continent; and

Bearing in mind that the provision adopted by the Directing Council in 1947 on the occasion of its I Meeting (Resolution CD1.1) is still in force,

## RESOLVES:

1. To reaffirm the recommendation of the XVII Pan American Sanitary Conference that the Governments of the countries still infested by the vector take the necessary measures to

overcome any administrative difficulties that may be hampering the progress of their campaigns, and that they give the highest priority to the provision of the funds, personnel and supplies needed to complete these campaigns as soon as possible.

- 2. To recommend to the countries and territories already free of <u>Aedes aegypti</u> that they strengthen their surveillance activities against reinfestation.
- 3. To request countries that had already achieved eradication of the vector and were subsequently reinfested to adopt measures designed to achieve the elimination of <u>Aedes aegypti</u>.
- 4. To request the Member countries to give support also to such epidemiological surveillance and yellow fever vaccination measures as they deem necessary.
- 5. To request the Director to take steps to ensure the availability of high quality vaccines in sufficient quantity to cope with any emergency.
- 6. To request the Director to take steps to ensure the availability of insecticides and equipment for their application with a view to meeting the needs.
- 7. To request the Director to assist the countries in strengthening epidemiological surveillance and eradication campaigns by training personnel.
- 8. To request the Director to study the mechanisms of reinfestation following <u>Aedes aegypti</u> eradication and possible ways of solving this problem.
- 9. To request the Director to promote and support research on the biology and control of <u>Aedes aegypti</u> and yellow fever, and on other methods for the surveillance and control of these diseases.

(Approved at the twelfth plenary session, 20 June 1977)

#### RESOLUTION XIX

## CE78 R19

REPRESENTATION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AT THE XXV MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL OF PAHO, XXIX MEETING OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE OF WHO FOR THE AMERICAS

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having considered Document CE78/5 presented by the Director; and

Bearing in mind Rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Committee,

## **RESOLVES:**

- 1. To designate Dr. Laurence J. Charles, Sr. (Bahamas) and Dr. Rubén M. Cáceres (Paraguay) to attend the XXV Meeting of the Directing Council of PAHO, XXIX Meeting of the Regional Committee of WHO for the Americas, together with the Chairman or his alternate, as Representatives of the Executive Committee.
- 2. To designate Dr. Robert de Caires (United States of America) alternate Representative of the Executive Committee to the same meeting, in the event the Chairman is unable to attend.
- 3. To designate Dr. Christine Olive Moody (Jamaica) and Dr. Hugo Corral (Ecuador) as alternates in the event that Dr. Laurence J. Charles, Sr. or Dr. Rubén M. Cáceres is unable to attend.

#### RESOLUTION XX

#### CE78.R20

#### PAN AMERICAN CENTER FOR HUMAN ECOLOGY AND HEALTH

#### THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having examined the Director's report (Document CE78/15, Rev. 1) on the initial steps taken to establish the Center, including the Center's development plan;

Considering the importance of the health problems related to the environment; and

Being aware of the need to improve the capacity within the Region to assess the impact on human health of environmental changes accompanying development,

#### **RESOLVES:**

- 1. To take note of the first report submitted by the Director on the activities of the Pan American Center for Human Ecology and Health (Document CE78/15, Rev. 1).
- 2. To commend the Director for the actions he has taken to establish the Center and initiate its program.
- 3. To recommend to the Director that he continue to implement the plan for the Center's development.
- 4. To note with satisfaction the Center's participation and cooperation with other United Nations and international agencies in projects where the impact on health is of major concern.
- 5. To recommend to the Organization that periodic evaluations of the Center's achievements be carried out with a view to increasing the Center's effectiveness to contribute to the attainment of the goals of the Ten-Year Health Plan for the Americas.
- 6. To urge the countries to make use of the valuable services which the Center is in a position to provide.
- 7. To thank the Government of Mexico for the support and assistance it is providing for the Center.

#### RESOLUTION XXI

## CE78.R21

## TECHNICAL COOPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having examined the Director's report (Document CE78/INF/5) on technical cooperation among developing countries;

Realizing the overwhelming importance of such cooperation to the general development process, and more especially to the health sector;

Bearing in mind the experience accumulated by the countries of the Region and by PASB/WHO; and

Responding to the recommendation of the WHO Executive Board in its Resolution EB60.R4 that the Regional Committees study proposals for and examine ways of promoting technical cooperation among developing countries in health matters.

#### **RESOLVES:**

- 1. To request the Director to transmit the report on technical cooperation among developing countries (Document CE78/INF/5) to the Directing Council at its XXV Meeting, XXIX Meeting of the WHO Regional Committee for the Americas.
- 2. To recommend to the Directing Council that it give positive support to technical cooperation among developing countries, applying to the programs of the Region the proposals contained in the report and endorsing any initiatives already taken or to be taken by the countries in this respect.
- 3. To request the Director to convey to the Director-General its appreciation of the trust placed in the Pan American Sanitary Bureau in designating it as the central focal point for the activities of technical cooperation among developing countries undertaken by WHO.

#### RESOLUTION XXII

## CE78 R22

#### EXPANDED PROGRAM ON IMMUNIZATION

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having reviewed Resolutions WHA30.53 (Expanded Program on Immunization) and WHA30.54 (Regional Production of Vaccines for the Expanded Program on Immunization) adopted by the Thirtieth World Health Assembly and having taken into account Resolutions XIII and XIV of this Executive Committee;

Having reviewed and discussed the general policy recommendations made to the Director by the Study Group of the Executive Committee concerning the Expanded Program on Immunization (EPI) in the Americas, particularly the recommendation that EPI "should be available to all Member Countries with a national will and a determined policy to strengthen and improve the delivery of immunization services within existing or proposed health structures"; and

Having taken note of the limited funds presently available in the PAHO regular budget for immunization activities in 1978-1979,

#### **RESOLVES:**

- 1. To endorse the general policy recommendations of the Study Group on the Expanded Program on Immunization.
- 2. To call attention to the views expressed by members of the Executive Committee and the budgetary implications indicated by the PAHO Immunization Task Force for the implementation of the Expanded Program on Immunization in the Americas.
- 3. To recommend to the Director that he transmit to the Directing Council the proposed regional immunization program for the Americas together with the general policy recommendations of the Study Group of the Executive Committee.
- 4. To request the Director also to submit to the Directing Council at its XXV Meeting a report on the funding requirements and proposed sources of funding for the implementation of the Expanded Program on Immunization in the Americas.

#### RESOLUTION XXIII

## **CE78 R23**

## PAHO AWARD FOR ADMINISTRATION, 1977

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having examined the report of the Award Committee for the PAHO Award for Administration (Document CE78/11, Addendum I); and

Bearing in mind the regulations set forth in the Procedure Governing the PAHO Award for Administration,

#### RESOLVES:

- 1. To take note of the decision of the Award Committee to confer the PAHO Award for Administration, 1977, posthumously, on Dr. Roberto Pereda Chávez of Cuba for his activities in the health field.
- 2. To transmit the report of the Award Committee for the PAHO Award for Administration (Document CE78/11, Addendum I) to the Directing Council at its XXV Meeting.
- 3. To request the Directing Council once again to recommend to the Member Governments that they make use of the purposes of the PAHO Award for Administration, namely to promote excellence in the field of administration, and participate by nominating candidates.

## RESOLUTION XXIV CE78 R24

#### MALARIA PROGRAM IN THE AMERICAS

## THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having examined the report of the Study Group on Malaria Control in the Americas convened by the Director from 12 to 15 April 1977;

Being aware that the malaria situation in the Americas is serious, and that the measures to be applied call for a careful epidemiological and ecological study, by areas; and

Recognizing the priority and the support given by the Organization to activities for extending health service coverage, training and research in relation to malaria,

#### RESOLVES:

- 1. To recommend to the Director the inclusion in the PAHO budget of the necessary funds for the reorientation of malariologists and the training of epidemiologists, entomologists, ecologists and environmental engineers essential for the application of the new strategy for malaria control and able to serve also in other public health fields.
- 2. To recommend to the Governments the expansion of operational research at national level to solve local problems, and to request the support of the Director-General, through the WHO Special Program for Training and Research in Tropical Diseases, in broadening immunological and chemotherapeutic studies on malaria in the Americas.
- 3. To give favorable consideration to the strengthening of malaria programs and their use in controlling other vector-transmitted diseases and coping with emergency situations.
- 4. To request the Governments to intensify epidemiological surveillance in the countries where malaria has been eradicated and in those areas of the other countries where transmission has been halted.
- 5. To bring to the Director's attention the desirability of promoting research within the pharmaceutical industry in order to make new effective drugs available at reasonable cost to combat malaria.
- 6. To give top priority to the gradual extension of primary health care services to ensure coverage of the rural population, thus providing a basic infrastructure that will support malaria control and vice versa.

- 7. To request the Director to continue to support training and research in relation to malaria and, with this in mind, to explore other possible sources of financing such as the WHO Special Program for Training and Research in Tropical Diseases, bilateral support agencies, and international credit institutions.
- 8. To request the Director to support action by the Governments designed to obtain funds from international credit institutions for malaria control.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Chairman of the Executive Committee and the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, Secretary ex officio, sign the present Final Report in the English and the Spanish languages, both texts being equally authentic.

DONE in Washington, D.C., United States of America, this twenty-first day of June, nineteen hundred and seventy-seven. The Secretary shall deposit the original texts in the archives of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and shall send copies thereof to the Governments of the Organization.

Gustayo Mora Patiño Chairman of the 78th Meeting of the Executive Committee Representative of Colombia

Hector R. Acuña
Secretary ex officio of the
Executive Committee
Director of the
Pan American Sanitary Bureau