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RESOLUTION

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EVALUATION OF THE PAN AMERICAN ZOONOSES CENTER AND THE PAN AMERICAN FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE CENTER AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON BUDGETARY ADJUSTMENTS, 1981

THE 27th DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having examined the report of the external Evaluation Team for the Pan American Zoonoses and Foot-and-Mouth Disease Centers (Document CD27/22 and Annexes I, II, and III) and Resolution XXXI of the XX Pan American Sanitary Conference, Resolution XXVII of the XXVI Meeting of the Directing Council, and Resolution XXI of the 84th Meeting of the Executive Committee;

Acknowledging that the Team's recommendation for 1981 contained in Document CD27/22 and the priority ranking of activities and future requests for development of a new or different mechanism were based on maintaining the Center programs at the 1980 level;

Guided by the trends that appear to be emerging from the ongoing evaluations of these and other Pan American Centers and that point to: program consolidation on the basis of the priorities of the countries served; the need for strengthening program management, the responsibilities of the countries being served by the Centers in assuming a growing role in their programmatic and financial activities; and recognition that, in the future, the fundamental role of the Organization in relation to the Centers should be to carry out coordination and management functions; and Recognizing that severe budgetary restrictions may require reductions and a different set of priorities, particularly at the Pan American Zoonoses Center,

RESOLVES

- 1. To thank the Director for the report on the evaluation of the Pan American Zoonoses Center and the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center and for the recommendations on budgetary adjustments for 1981 (Document CD27/22).
- 2. To decide against the Evaluation Team's proposal that a supplementary budget increase be adopted for the two Centers for 1981.
- 3. To maintain the PAHO regular budget ceiling for the Pan American Zoonoses Center at US\$1,294,000 for 1981 (Official Document 161).
- 4. To thank the Argentine Government for its willingness to contribute US\$2,596,000 for the 1981 budget of the Pan American Zoonoses Center.
- 5. To maintain the PAHO regular budget ceiling for the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center at US\$3,093,800 for 1981 (Official Document 161).
- 6. To request the Director, with the participation of the Executive Committee, to undertake the appropriate reductions, decentralization, and/or other necessary action at both Centers, in accordance with the available resources, observing in the Pan American Zoonoses Center the following priorities: 1) rabies; 2) food microbiology; 3) hydatidosis; 4) tuberculosis; 5) brucellosis; and 6) leptospirosis. The Research Unit at Azul and the Pathology Unit of the Pan American Zoonoses Center should be kept for support of the other activities.
- 7. To request the Director, with the participation of the Executive Committee, to determine the appropriate components of each priority program for the Pan American Zoonoses Center within the available resources.
- 8. To endorse the recommendation that the Director should seek voluntary extrabudgetary contributions from Governments, particularly through the Ministries of Agriculture, as recommended by the Evaluation Team, as well as from multilateral, bilateral, and private agencies, to enable the Centers to function more effectively.
- 9. To request the Ministers of Agriculture of the Hemisphere, at the next Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Animal Health, to develop for consideration of the Directing Council a provisional plan of action designed to identify dependable sources of financing for the Pan

American Zoonoses Center and the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center outside the PAHO regular budget.

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