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**27th DIRECTING COUNCIL**  
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***RESOLUTION***

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**STATUS OF THE EVALUATION OF THE PAN AMERICAN  
CENTERS : CARIBBEAN EPIDEMIOLOGY CENTRE**

*THE 27<sup>th</sup> DIRECTING COUNCIL,*

Having examined the evaluation report on the Caribbean Epidemiology Center (CAREC) (Document CD27/23, Add. I);

Taking account of the provisions of Resolution XXXI of the XX Pan American Sanitary Conference (1978), Resolution XXXI of the XXVI Meeting of the Directing Council (1979), and Resolution XXII of the 84th Meeting of the Executive Committee (1980);

Bearing in mind that this evaluation coincided with the timing of the Midterm Review of CAREC, 1974–1979, as provided for in the Multilateral Agreement between PAHO and the Signatory Governments;

Noting that since the terms of the Multilateral Agreement extend until 1984, Document CD27/23, Add. I is considered as an interim report; and

Guided by the trends that appear to be emerging from the ongoing evaluations of the five 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 responsibility of the countries being served by the Centers to assume a growing role in the programmatic and financial

activities of the Centers; and recognition that the fundamental role of the Organization in relation to the Centers should be one of the coordination and management, in accordance with the context of PAHO/WHO policies and strategies,

*RESOLVES*

1. To thank the participating Governments and institutions for their responses to the key issues and to urge those that have not yet done so to submit their comments to the Director of PASB as soon as possible.
2. To take note of the interim report on the Caribbean Epidemiology Center, and to thank the Director for that report.
3. To request the Director:
  - a) To cooperate with Member Governments and the CAREC Council in ensuring that CAREC's activities remain relevant to the overall PAHO program and the priorities and needs of all the countries served;
  - b) To consult and cooperate with the host Government and other participating Governments and institutions, in order to meet the terms of the Multilateral Agreement of 1974, and to review the agreement as soon as possible;
  - c) To consolidate the deliberations of this Council, noting the overwhelming expressions of participating Governments that CAREC should be maintained as a regional institution for the Caribbean area, and make them available as information additional to the interim report of the Evaluation Team, for use by the CAREC Council in accordance with the terms of the Multilateral Agreement;
  - d) To communicate with the CAREC Council for the development of recommendations regarding the policies and guidelines for the future of the Center beyond 1984, and to convey these recommendations to the PAHO Executive Committee and Directing Council in 1981;
  - e) To make an evaluation of the Center, including management and the cost of the services provided.

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