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37th DIRECTING COUNCIL

45th SESSION OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE

Washington D.C., 27 September - 1 October 1993

RESOLUTION

CD37.R9

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE REGIONAL PROGRAM ON BIOETHICS

THE 37th DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the report of the Executive Committee regarding the establishment of a Regional Program on Bioethics (BioEtica/BioEthics) and Document CD37/12 presented by the Director; and
Taking into account the commitment of the President of Chile, the University of Chile, and the Ministry of Health of Chile to host and contribute to the establishment and operation of the Regional Program on Bioethics as a decentralized PAHO/WHO Program in Chile,

RESOLVES

1. To approve the Regional Program on Bioethics as a PAHO/WHO technical program, attached to the Office of the Director/Deputy Director, with headquarters in Santiago, Chile, in association with the University of Chile and the Ministry of Health of Chile.
2. To urge Member States to participate, through voluntary contributions, in the activities of the Regional Program on Bioethics and in the creation and strengthening of national capabilities in the field of bioethics in both the private and public sectors.
3. Request the Director to:

- a) Thank, on behalf of the Organization, His Excellency the President of the Republic of Chile, the Minister of Health of Chile, and the President of the University of Chile, for their interest in and support of the establishment of the Regional Program on Bioethics in Chile;
- b) Promote the mobilization of extrabudgetary resources to support and expand the Regional Program;
- c) Carry out an evaluation of the work accomplished by the Regional Program on Bioethics after five years of operation, including its impact on the development of bioethics in the Region and the significance of its contribution to the health of the peoples of the Americas, and to report the findings to the Executive Committee in the year 2000.

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