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RESOLUTION

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HEALTH SECTOR REFORM

THE 38th DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Mindful of the provisions of the Plan of Action approved by the Heads of State at the Summit of the Americas, held in Miami from 9 to 11 December 1994, which included a resolution on equitable access to basic health services; and

Taking into account the reports presented by the Member Governments on health conditions and the status of their national processes of health sector reform, as well as the working document prepared by PAHO in consultation with the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, the Inter-American Development Bank, the Organization of American States, the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Population Fund, the United States Agency for International Development, and the World Bank, as well as the Government of Canada, which coordinated the organization of the Special Meeting on Health Sector Reform and the deliberations of this meeting,

RESOLVES

1. To thank the governments and agencies for the activities that they carried out in preparation for the Special Meeting on Health Sector Reform.

2. To take note of the discussions at the Special Meeting on Health Sector Reform.
3. To request the Member Governments:
 - (a) To give priority attention to the health sector reform processes, with a view to achieving greater equity, efficiency, and effectiveness in sector activities;
 - (b) To facilitate the sharing of national experiences and to report periodically on the results of their national health sector reform projects and processes.
4. To urge the cooperating agencies to intensify the coordination of their activities and programs of work and to broaden their support for health sector reform processes, bearing in mind the particular characteristics of each country.
5. To request the Director:
 - (a) In accordance with the recommendations of the Summit of the Americas and taking into account the discussions at the Special Meeting on Health Sector Reform, to continue to work with the Member States and agencies in the design and development of a process for monitoring health sector reform in the Americas;
 - (b) To coordinate the implementation of an inter-American network with the governments and agencies, as a mechanism for facilitating information exchange on health sector reform;
 - (c) To transmit a report on this Meeting to the next Hemispheric Summit, to be held in Bolivia in 1996.

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