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## **26th DIRECTING COUNCIL**

31st SESSION OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE

*Washington D.C., 24 September – 5 October 1979*

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### ***RESOLUTION***

#### ***CD26.R39***

### **SALT FLUORIDATION**

*THE 26<sup>th</sup> DIRECTING COUNCIL,*

Having considered Document CD26/28 presented by the Government of Mexico and the statement by the Representative of Colombia on the subject of salt fluoridation;

Recognizing the magnitude of the problem of dental caries and of the lack of resources for dealing with it; and

Mindful of the need for effective dental caries prevention programs that will reach every segment of the population,

#### ***RESOLVES***

1. To recommend to the Member Governments that they conduct salt fluoridation programs as a temporary alternative measure to complement water fluoridation programs.
2. To instruct the Director to promote under the oral health program new approaches for reaching the entire population, and the more vulnerable groups in particular.
3. To recommend to the Director that he promote the integration of oral health activities into programs for primary care and for the extension of coverage with appropriate technologies.
4. To request the Director to approach possible sources of financing for extrabudgetary funds to support the conduct of these activities in the countries.

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