



PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION  
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## **17th DIRECTING COUNCIL**

19th SESSION OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE

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### ***RESOLUTION***

#### ***CD17.R24***

### **RESEARCH POLICY AND PROGRAM OF THE PAHO**

*THE 17<sup>th</sup> DIRECTING COUNCIL,*

Having noted the report on the research policy and program of the Pan American Health Organization (Document CD17/17);<sup>1</sup>

Having reviewed the Organization's proposal for cooperative programs to strengthen multinational activities for advanced training and research in the health sciences in Latin America, requested in Resolution XVI of the XVII Pan American Sanitary Conference;

Having taken cognizance that this proposal coincides in principle and methodology with the Regional Scientific and Technological Development Program called for in the Declaration<sup>2</sup> of the Presidents of America at their meeting in Punta del Este in April 1967;

Having noted that the Director has requested the Organization of American States to assign to the Pan American Health Organization the responsibility for developing the biology, health, and medicine components of the Regional Scientific and Technological Development Program; and

Realizing that the implementation of well-conceived and adequately financed multinational science programs in Latin America would (a) contribute to the more effective development and use of scientific capability and increase the number of investigators and academicians; (b) facilitate the pursuit in Latin America of advanced training and research, thus reducing the incentives to migrate;

and (c) contribute to the mobilization of scientific resources for the solution of health problems and for the greater socioeconomic development of the Americas,

*RESOLVES*

1. To congratulate the Director of the Bureau on the progress of the PAHO research program and on the timeliness of its studies and the promptness with which they have been published.
2. To express its satisfaction with the approach and practicability of the proposal developed for cooperative programs to stimulate multinational activities for advanced training and research in the health sciences in Latin America, and with the emphasis placed on strengthening existing institutions.
3. To emphasize the success achieved in initiating the PAHO Regional Library of Medicine, discussed as a proposal by the XVI Meeting of the Directing Council,<sup>3</sup> [which is] the first multinational center to be implemented under this program.
4. To instruct the Director to continue to stimulate cooperative multinational programs for advanced training and research in the health sciences in additional areas that promise significant and rapid advances in levels of health.
5. To confirm that, with reference to the Regional Scientific Technological Development Program of the OAS, PAHO is the logical international organization in the Western Hemisphere to sponsor and coordinate cooperative multinational programs for research and graduate education in the health sciences, and to request the Director to continue to take this position.
6. To authorize the Director to continue to utilize the resources of PAHO, within the terms of its approved program and budget, to augment and complement the multinational research and research training programs that it administers at the request of other organizations.
7. To instruct the Director to pursue all possible avenues of support at international, national, and private levels in order to stimulate the development of multinational programs in the biomedical sciences that are of interest to the PAHO.
8. To request the Governments to contribute to the Special Fund for Research established by the XVII Pan American Sanitary Conference.

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