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FINAL REPORT

The 91st Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Pan American Health Organization was held at the Headquarters of the Organization in Washington, D.C., on 4 October 1983, as convened by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

The following members of the Committee, observers, and officers of the Bureau attended the single plenary session:

MEMBERS

Dr. Lyall Black	CANADA
Dr. Jean Larivière	
Mr. Ian Inglis	
Mr. Percy Abols	
Mrs. Freda Paltiel	
Mrs. Jacqueline Caron	
Dr. Oscar Alfaro Rodríguez	COSTA RICA
Dr. Abelardo Ramírez	CUBA
Dr. Roberto Menchaca	
Dr. José Antonio Pagés Piñeiro	
Ms. Ana Isis Otero	
Mr. Plácido Marrero	
Prof. Arnaldo Tejeiro	
Dr. Marcella Mukasa	DOMINICA
Dr. Mauro Rivadeneira	ECUADOR
Dr. Carlos Enríquez Coello	
Dr. Enrique García	PANAMA
Mr. Neil Boyer	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Mrs. Marlyn Kefauver	
Dr. Hugo Damasco	URUGUAY

OBSERVERS

Members of PAHO

Dr. Horacio Rodríguez Castells	ARGENTINA
Dr. Oscar González Carrizo	
Dr. João Frederico Abbott Galvão, Jr.	BRAZIL
Dr. José Manuel Borgoño Domínguez	CHILE
Ms. Isabel Rosés	
Dr. Carmen Bowen-Wright	JAMAICA
Dr. Paulino Castellón Padilla	NICARAGUA

Intergovernmental Organizations

Inter-American Institute for Cooperation  
on Agriculture (IICA)

Dr. Francisco Morillo Andrade  
Director General

PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

Dr. Carlyle Guerra de Macedo Director	Secretary ex officio
Dr. H. David Banta Deputy Director	
Dr. Ramón Alvarez Gutiérrez Assistant Director	
Dr. Luis Carlos Ochoa Area Director, Health Systems Infrastructure	
Dr. George A. O. Alleyne Area Director, Health Program Development	
Mr. Thomas M. Tracy Chief of Administración	

Chief, Department of General Services

Mr. Luis Larrea Alba, Jr.

Chief, Conferences and Secretariat Services

Mr. Carlos L. García

#### OPENING OF THE MEETING

In the absence of Ms. Lea Guido (Nicaragua), outgoing Chairman of the Executive Committee, the 91st Meeting of the Executive Committee elected as Chairman pro tempore Dr. Enrique García (Panama). Dr. García opened the Meeting and welcomed the Representatives of Canada, Costa Rica, and Dominica, who had been elected members of the Committee on the termination of the periods of office of Argentina, Jamaica, and Nicaragua.

#### OFFICERS

The following Representatives were elected officers of the Executive Committee:

<u>Chairman:</u>	Dr. Armando López Scavino	URUGUAY
<u>Vice Chairman:</u>	Dr. Abelardo Ramírez	CUBA
<u>Rapporteur:</u>	Dr. Lyall Black	CANADA
<u>Secretary ex officio:</u>	Dr. Carlyle Guerra de Macedo	DIRECTOR, PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

#### AGENDA

The provisional agenda (Document CE91/1) was unanimously approved.

#### DECISIONS

1. The Executive Committee took note of the resolutions of the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council, XXXV Meeting of the Regional Committee of WHO for the Americas, which were of interest to it.
2. The term of office of Argentina on the Executive Committee having expired, the Committee designated Uruguay as a member of the Award Committee of the PAHO Award for Administration.
3. The terms of office of Jamaica and Nicaragua on the Executive Committee having expired, the Committee designated Costa Rica and Dominica as members of the Standing Committee on Inter-American Nongovernmental Organizations.

4. The terms of office of Argentina and Jamaica on the Executive Committee having expired, the Committee designated Canada, Cuba and the United States of America as members of the Subcommittee on Long-Term Planning and Programming.
5. The Executive Committee designated Cuba and Ecuador as members of the Special Subcommittee on Women, Health, and Development.
6. At the request of the Representative of Panama, the Executive Committee decided that the agenda for its 92nd Meeting should include an item on the family medicine situation in the Americas.

#### RESOLUTIONS

The Executive Committee examined a report by the Director on the currency of salary payments (Document CE91/2). In closed session, it also examined a report by the Subcommittee on the Governor Shepherd site, and in connection with these topics, if adopted the following two resolutions:

RESOLUTION I CE91.R1

CURRENCY OF SALARY PAYMENTS

THE 91st MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having examined the report of the Director on the currency of salary payments (Document CE91/2);

Aware of the foreign exchange difficulties confronting some of the Organization's Member Governments; and

Convinced of the advisability of following the practice established by the United Nations for the payment of salaries and allowances and observed by the World Health Organization as well,

RESOLVES:

1. To request the Director to take the necessary steps for the introduction in PAHO as soon as possible of rules similar to those followed in WHO and the United Nations governing the currency of payment of salaries and allowances.

2. That in all the countries, exceptions to the enforcement of the new system may be granted if special circumstances at a given duty station so warrant.

RESOLUTION II CE91.R2

GOVERNOR SHEPHERD BUILDING

THE 91st MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having considered the report of the Subcommittee of the Directing Council of the Pan American Health Organization on the Governor Shepherd site, established by Resolution CD28.R29;

Recognizing the inadequacies of the Governor Shepherd building in which approximately 110 PAHO staff are currently located, as well as the limited possibilities for modernization of that structure;

Bearing in mind the need for PAHO to provide adequate and reasonable office space for its Headquarters staff at the most economical rate with a minimum financial impact or risk to PAHO;

Recalling the recommendation of the Subcommittee to the 90th Meeting of the Executive Committee regarding selection of a preferred developer; and

Satisfied that the proposed terms of the intended project meet the best interests of PAHO,

RESOLVES:

1. To authorize the Director to sign the proposed Letter of Intent for development of the Governor Shepherd site, as reviewed by the Subcommittee of the Directing Council on the Governor Shepherd site, and to negotiate and execute a Development Agreement, an Office Lease, a Ground Lease, and all other instruments and documents necessary or contemplated by the Letter of Intent.

2. To request the Subcommittee to report regularly to the Executive Committee and the Directing Council on the status of the project and on any action taken in accordance with Resolutions CD28.R29, CE87.R2 and CE88.R19.

3. To thank the Director-General of INTELSAT for his cooperation with PAHO in the negotiation of this project.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Chairman of the Executive Committee and the Secretary ex officio, Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, sign the present Final Report in the English and Spanish languages, both texts being equally authentic.

DONE in Washington, D.C., this fourth day of October, nineteen hundred and eighty-three. The Secretary shall deposit the original texts in the archives of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and shall send copies thereof to the Governments of the Organization.

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Abelardo Ramírez, Vice Chairman,  
Acting Chairman of the 91st Meeting  
of the Executive Committee  
Representative of Cuba

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Carlyle Guerra de Macedo  
Secretary ex officio  
of the Executive Committee  
Director of the  
Pan American Sanitary Bureau