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## RESOLUTION

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## REPORT ON THE STATUS OF AEDES AEGYPTI ERADICATION IN THE AMERICAS

THE 22<sup>nd</sup> DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having examined the report of the Director on the status of Aedes aegypti eradication in the Americas (Document CD22/6);

Bearing in mind that at its 70th Meeting the Executive Committee called attention to the importance of preventing diseases transmitted by Aedes aegypti and to the problem presented by reinfestation of countries free of the vector from areas of the Hemisphere that are still infested;

Recognizing that eradication of the mosquito was recommended by the III Special Meeting of Ministers of Health of the Americas and calls for a coordinated Hemisphere-wide effort;

Considering that the progress achieved to date in several of the countries justifies the exertion of still greater effort to meet the ultimate objectives; and

Noting with appreciation that the United States of America has initiated a program of research into the development of an effective vaccine against dengue,

RESOLVES

- 1. To endorse the recommendations contained in Resolution XVII of the 70th Meeting of the Executive Committee.
- 2. To urge the countries and territories of the Hemisphere to make every effort to comply with those recommendations.
- 3. To urge the Governments to organize, or intensify, activities for the epidemiological surveillance of diseases transmitted by Aedes aegypti, without prejudice to the continuation of action for the eradication of the vector.
- 4. To encourage the Governments to continue research on other mechanisms for the control of diseases transmitted by Aedes aegypti, including the development and testing of an effective vaccine against dengue, with due regard for methods currently being used against the vector.

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