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RESOLUTION

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USE OF PROGRAM BUDGET INCOME EXCEEDING THE AUTHORIZED EFFECTIVE WORKING REGULAR BUDGET 2006-2007

THE 48th DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the report of the President of the 142nd Session of the Executive Committee; and

Noting the revised document on proposed uses of program budget income exceeding the authorized effective working regular budget for the financial period 2006-2007 (Document CD48/22),

RESOLVES:

- 1. To thank the Executive Committee for its review and report on this item.
- 2. To approve the criteria that guide the proposed projects to be funded from the Holding Account as contained in paragraph 15 of Document CD48/22, which states that:

"Criteria that guide the proposed initiatives are as follows:

- Initiatives that will strengthen the Organization, whether through direct support to priority public health activities in the countries, or through the strengthening of the Secretariat's ability to support the needs of Member States;

- Initiatives that strengthen a process and generate efficiencies;
- Initiatives that create impact;
- Initiatives that minimize added recurrent costs and are sustainable within normal operations;
- Initiatives for which other funding sources are scarce or unavailable."
- 3. To approve, with immediate effect, the following projects in their entirety:
 - 1.A: Regional Strategic Health Operation Center
 - 1.B: National Strategic Health Operation Centers
 - 4.A: Improvements to facilities: MOSS upgrades and security measures;
 - 4.C: Improvements to facilities: plaza drainage system;
 - 4.D: Improvements to facilities: security and sanitary measures;
 - 4.E: Improvements to facilities: HQ office tower roof;
 - 4.F: Improvements to facilities: refurbish rooms A, B and C in Headquarters building.
- 4. To approve, with respect to the initial phase, and with immediate effect, the following projects:
 - 2.A: Strengthening PAHO public health information systems;
 - 2.C: Strengthening communications through improvement of country office connectivity;
 - 3.A: Modernizing the PASB Corporate Management System;
 - 3.B: Modernizing the service model for the delivery of Knowledge Management and Information Technology services;
 - 3.C: Strengthening the Organization's capacity to be IPSAS compliant by the year 2010 (US\$ 300,000);
 - 4.B: Improvements to facilities: energy savings measures.

- 5. To approve, in principle, funding of the proposed projects contained in Document CD48/22 and as specified in numerals 3 and 4 above.
- 6. To delegate to the Executive Committee the authority for monitoring and approval of all future submissions and re-submissions of proposals for the use of these Holding Account funds.
- 7. To request the Bureau to submit to the Subcommittee on Program, Budget, and Administration, at the appropriate intervals, a status report for each of the approved projects listed in numerals 3 and 4 above, with an updated scope, budget and timetable for the remaining phases for review and approval by the Executive Committee.
- 8. To request the Bureau to re-formulate project 2.B (Adoption of Networking Strategies to Transform the Delivery of Technical Cooperation), if appropriate, to include a clearer scope and purpose, for future consideration by the Executive Committee on the use of Holding Account funds.
- 9. To encourage Member States to submit additional project proposals for consideration for the use of Holding Account funds, to be channeled through the Secretariat for inclusion in the appropriate review and approval cycle of the Executive Committee.

(Third meeting, 30 September 2008)