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FINAL REPORT

The XXI Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Health Organization, XXIV Meeting of the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization for the Americas, was held at the Casa de la Cultura "Gabriela Mistral" in Santiago, Chile, from 10 to 13 October 1972, as convened by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, in accordance with Resolution XIX approved by the Executive Committee at its 68th Meeting.

PARTICIPANTS

The Meeting was opened by Dr. Jesse L. Steinfeld, Surgeon General of the Public Health Service of the United States of America. The following Governments were represented: Argentina, Barbados, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, France, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Kingdom of the Netherlands, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Trinidad and Tobago, United Kingdom, United States of America, Uruguay and Venezuela. The Executive Committee was represented by its Vice-Chairman, Dr. Hugo V. Alquieres Baptista, in accordance with Rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure of the Committee.

The meeting was also attended by Dr. Thomas A. Lambo, Assistant Director-General of the World Health Organization as well as by observers of the Organization of American States (OAS), the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), the International Labor Organization (ILO), and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). Observers from eleven nongovernmental organizations were also present.

OFFICERS

The President, the two Vice-Presidents, and the Rapporteur were elected pursuant to Rule 18 of the Rules of Procedure. The officers were as follows:

<u>President:</u>	Dr. Juan Carlos Concha Gutiérrez	Chile
<u>Vice-Presidents:</u>	Dr. Raúl C. León	Argentina
	Dr. Alix Théard	Haiti
<u>Rapporteur:</u>	Dr. Mervyn Ulrick Henry	Trinidad and Tobago
<u>Secretary ex officio:</u>	Dr. Abraham Horwitz	Director, Pan American Sanitary Bureau

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

The Committee on Credentials, pursuant to Rule 27 of the Rules of Procedure, was composed of the following members:

<u>Chairman:</u>	Dr. Roberto Kriskovich	Paraguay
<u>Rapporteur:</u>	Dr. José Antonio Alvarez Alvarez	Ecuador
<u>Member:</u>	Dr. Ross A. Chapman	Canada

GENERAL COMMITTEE

The Representatives of Mexico, United States of America, and Uruguay were elected to the General Committee, which, pursuant to Rule 28 of the Rules of Procedure, was composed as follows:

Dr. Juan Carlos Concha Gutiérrez President of the Council	Chile
Dr. Raúl C. León Vice-President of the Council	Argentina
Dr. Alix Théard Vice-President of the Council	Haiti
Dr. Mervyn Ulrick Henry Rapporteur of the Council	Trinidad and Tobago
Dr. Héctor Acuña Monteverde Representative	Mexico
Dr. Jesse L. Steinfeld Representative	United States of America
Dr. Aquiles Lanza Representative	Uruguay

AGENDA

In accordance with Rule 10 of its Rules of Procedure, the Directing Council at its first plenary session adopted the provisional agenda (Document CD21/1, Rev. 2) submitted by the Director, with the addition of Item 29, Communicable Diseases in Frontier Zones. It was agreed to postpone consideration of Items 20 and 21, Technical Discussions, until the next Meeting of the Council.

WORKING PARTIES

A working party was established to study the Application of Article 6-B of the Constitution concerning the suspension of the voting privileges of any Government two years in arrears in the payment of its quotas. The group was composed of the Representatives of Argentina, Colombia, and Mexico. Its report and a proposed resolution were presented in plenary session.

SESSIONS

The Directing Council held seven plenary sessions, and a closing session; the Committee on Credentials and the General Committee each held three sessions.

RESOLUTIONS APPROVED

In the course of the meeting, the Directing Council approved the following resolutions:

RESOLUTION I

APPROPRIATION FOR THE PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION - 1973

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

RESOLVES:

1. To appropriate for the financial year 1973 an amount of \$22,348,146 as follows:

PART I	ORGANIZATIONAL MEETINGS	\$ 280,764
PART II	HEADQUARTERS	4,727,903
PART III	FIELD AND OTHER PROGRAMS	12,124,782
PART IV	SPECIAL FUND FOR HEALTH PROMOTION	250,000
PART V	INCREASE TO ASSETS	400,000
Subtotal - Parts I - V		\$ 17,883,449
PART VI	PAN AMERICAN FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE CENTER	1,700,091
Effective Working Budget (Parts I - VI)		\$ 19,583,540
PART VII STAFF ASSESSMENT (Transfer to Tax Equalization Fund)		2,764,606
Total - All Parts		\$ 22,348,146

2. That the appropriation shall be financed from:

a. Assessments in respect to:

Member Governments and Participating Governments assessed under the scale adopted by the Council of the Organization of American States in accordance with Article 60 of the Pan American Sanitary Code or in accordance with the Directing Council resolutions

\$ 22,108,146

b. Miscellaneous Income

240,000

Total \$ 22,348,146

In establishing the contributions of Member Governments and Participating Governments, their assessments shall be reduced further by the amount standing to their credit in the Tax Equalization Fund, except that credits of those Governments who levy taxes on the emoluments received from the Pan American Health Organization by their nationals and residents shall be reduced by the amounts of such tax reimbursements by the Organization.

3. That, in accordance with the Financial Regulations of the Organization, amounts not exceeding the appropriations noted under Paragraph 1 shall be available for the payment of obligations incurred during the period 1 January to 31 December 1973 inclusive. Notwithstanding the provision of this paragraph, obligations during the financial year 1973 shall be limited to the effective working budget, i.e., Parts I-VI.

4. That the Director shall be authorized to transfer credits between parts of the effective working budget, provided that such transfers of credits between parts as are made do not exceed ten per cent of the part from which the credit is transferred. Transfers of credits between parts of the budget in excess of ten per cent of the part from which the credit is transferred may be made with the concurrence of the Executive Committee. All transfers of budget credits shall be reported to the Directing Council and/or the Conference.

(Approved at the fourth plenary session,
11 October 1972)

RESOLUTION II

ASSESSMENTS OF THE MEMBER GOVERNMENTS AND PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENTS OF THE
PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION

Whereas, Member Governments appearing in the scale adopted by the Council of the Organization of American States are assessed according to the percentages shown in that scale, in compliance with Article 60 of the Pan American Sanitary Code; and,

Whereas, other Member Governments and Participating Governments are assessed on the basis of percentages which would be assigned to such countries if they were subject to the OAS scale; now, therefore,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

RESOLVES:

To establish the assessments of the Member Governments and Participating Governments of the Pan American Health Organization for 1973 in accordance with the scale of quotas shown below and in the corresponding amounts.

(1) Country	(2) OAS Scale %	(3) Gross Assessment US\$	(4) Credit from Tax Equalization Fund US\$	(5) Adjustment for Taxes Imposed by Member Governments on Emoluments of PAHO Staff US\$	(6) Net Assessment US\$
Argentina	5.89	1,415,003	176,945	-	1,238,058
Barbados	0.08	16,430	2,055	-	14,375
Bolivia	0.32	65,719	8,218	-	57,501
Brazil	6.49	1,332,854	166,672	-	1,166,182
Chile	1.63	334,754	41,861	-	292,893
Colombia	1.54	316,271	39,549	442	277,164
Costa Rica	0.32	65,719	8,218	-	57,501
Cuba	1.30	266,982	33,386	-	233,596
Dominica Republic	0.32	65,719	8,218	-	57,501
Ecuador	0.32	65,719	8,218	-	57,501
El Salvador	0.32	65,719	8,218	-	57,501
Guatemala	0.41	84,202	10,529	-	73,673
Haiti	0.32	65,719	8,218	-	57,501
Honduras	0.32	65,719	8,218	-	57,501
Jamaica	0.32	65,719	8,218	-	57,501
Mexico	7.13	1,464,291	183,110	-	1,281,181
Nicaragua	0.32	65,719	8,218	-	57,501
Panama	0.32	65,719	8,218	-	57,501
Paraguay	0.32	65,719	8,218	-	57,501
Peru	0.81	166,350	20,802	-	145,548
Trinidad and Tobago	0.30	61,611	7,704	-	53,907
United States of America	66.00	13,554,459	1,694,975	790,644	12,650,128
Uruguay	0.57	117,061	14,638	-	102,423
Venezuela	3.33	683,884	85,519	3,066	601,431
Subtotal	100.00	20,537,061	2,568,143	794,152	18,763,070
		<u>Equivalent</u>			
		<u>Percentages</u>			
<u>Other Member Governments</u>					
Canada	6.72	1,380,091	172,579	-	1,207,512
Guyana	0.24	49,289	6,164	-	43,125
<u>Participating Governments</u>					
France	0.23	47,235	5,907	-	41,328
Kingdom of the Netherlands	0.19	39,020	4,879	-	34,141
United Kingdom	0.27	55,450	6,934	-	48,516
Subtotal		1,571,085	196,463	-	1,374,622
Total Assessments - All Countries		22,108,146	2,764,606	794,152	20,137,692

(2) This column includes the OAS percentages adding to 100 per cent and the equivalent percentages applicable to other Member Governments and Participating Governments. The OAS scale minimum assessment is 0.32 per cent or per capita contribution equal to that of the largest contributor, whichever is smaller.

(5) This column includes estimated amounts to be received by the respective Member Governments in 1973 in respect of taxes levied by them on staff members' emoluments received from the PAHO, adjusted for any difference between estimate and actual for the second preceding year.

(Approved at the fourth plenary session,
11 October 1972)

RESOLUTION III

PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET ESTIMATES OF THE WORLD
HEALTH ORGANIZATION FOR THE REGION OF THE
AMERICAS FOR 1974

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered Official Document No 114, submitted by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, which contains the proposed program and budget estimates of the World Health Organization for the Region of the Americas for 1974;

Bearing in mind that the proposed program and budget estimates are submitted to the Directing Council as Regional Committee of the World Health Organization for the Americas, for review and transmittal to the Director-General of the Organization so that he may take them into account in preparing the proposed budget estimates of WHO for 1974; and

Noting the recommendations made by the 68th Meeting of the Executive Committee,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve the proposed program and budget estimates of the World Health Organization for the Region of the Americas for 1974, appearing in Official Document No 114, and to request the Regional Director to transmit them to the Director-General of the Organization so that he may take them into account in preparing the WHO budget estimates for 1974.
2. To request that the Director-General, when preparing those proposed budget estimates, give favorable consideration to increasing the proportion assigned to the Region of the Americas.

(Approved at the fourth plenary session,
11 October 1972)

RESOLUTION IV

PROVISIONAL DRAFT OF THE PROPOSED PROGRAM AND
BUDGET ESTIMATES OF THE
PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION FOR 1974

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having examined Official Document Nº 114 submitted by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, which contains the provisional draft that is to constitute the basis for the preparation of the proposed program and budget estimates of the Pan American Health Organization for 1974, to be considered by the 70th Meeting of the Executive Committee and by the XXII Meeting of the Directing Council; and

Recognizing that the provisional draft of the proposed program and budget estimates contains much needed projects formulated in cooperation with the national authorities,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the provisional draft of the proposed program and budget estimates of the Pan American Health Organization for 1974, appearing in Official Document Nº 114.

2. To request the Director to use the provisional draft as a basis for the preparation of the proposed program and budget estimates for 1974, after further consultations with the governments to determine their latest desires and requirements in relation to the health priorities of the countries.

3. To request the Executive Committee to make a detailed examination of the revised program and budget estimates for 1974 to be presented by the Director, after further consultation with the governments, and to submit its recommendations thereon to the XXII Meeting of the Directing Council.

(Approved at the fourth plenary session,
11 October 1972)

RESOLUTION V

PERCENTAGE RELATIONSHIP OF CONTRIBUTIONS
TO THE REGULAR BUDGET

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having studied the constitutional basis as well as policies established by the Directing Council for calculating assessments to the regular budget of PAHO and noting that a constitutional amendment would be required to change the system;

Recognizing that as long as there are governments in PAHO which are not members of OAS, the true percentage of each Government's contributions will be less than that shown in the assessment resolution, but that each Government can easily calculate or obtain from the Director its actual percentage; and

Believing that the present situation does not justify a change in the PAHO Constitution,

RESOLVES:

To request the Director to furnish annually to the Executive Committee a document similar to that provided to the 68th Meeting of the Committee (Document CE68/12).

(Approved at the fourth plenary session,
11 October 1972)

RESOLUTION VI

AMENDMENTS TO THE FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the recommendation of the Executive Committee;

Taking into consideration that similar changes in the Financial Regulations of the World Health Organization have been approved by the Twenty-fifth World Health Assembly; and

Bearing in mind the provisions of Financial Regulation 15.1,

RESOLVES:

To approve the changes in the Financial Regulations of the Pan American Health Organization as they appear in the Annex to Document CE68/4.

(Approved at the fourth plenary session,
11 October 1972)

RESOLUTION VII

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the Annual Report of the Chairman of the Executive Committee (Document CD21/19) on the work done from October 1971 to date, during which period the Committee held its 67th and 68th Meetings; and

Bearing in mind the provisions of Article 9-C of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization,

RESOLVES:

To approve the Annual Report of the Chairman of the Executive Committee (Document CD21/19) and to thank the Chairman and the other members of the Committee for the work done during the period covered by the report.

(Approved at the fifth plenary session,
12 October 1972)

RESOLUTION VIII

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the Annual Report of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1971 (Official Document No. 116); and

Taking into account the provisions of Article 9-C of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization,

RESOLVES:

To approve the Annual Report of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1971 (Official Document No. 116) and to commend him and the rest of the staff of the Bureau for the work done during the period covered by the report.

(Approved at the fifth plenary session,
12 October 1972)

RESOLUTION IX

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR AND REPORT OF THE
EXTERNAL AUDITOR FOR 1971

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the Financial Report of the Director and the Report of the External Auditor for the year 1971 (Official Document No. 113), as well as Resolution I approved by the Executive Committee at its 68th Meeting, as presented in Document CD21/11,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve the Financial Report of the Director and the Report of the External Auditor for the year 1971 (Official Document No. 113).
2. To commend the Director for having consistently pursued long-term financial policies that have enabled the Organization to achieve and maintain a sound financial position.

(Approved at the fifth plenary session,
12 October 1972)

RESOLUTION X

ENGINEERING AND MAINTENANCE OF MEDICAL CARE
SERVICES AND OTHER HEALTH SERVICES

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the report of the Director on hospital maintenance and Engineering and Resolution XIV of the Executive Committee;

Recognizing the importance of hospital maintenance services to ensure good quality of health care delivery; and

Bearing in mind that, to keep pace with the increasing demands for an effective health care delivery system, measures must be taken to upgrade maintenance and engineering in all areas of health,

RESOLVES:

1. To commend the Director for the effective support extended to the Center for Hospital Maintenance and Engineering of Caracas, Venezuela, the activities of which have been essential for promoting interest in this field throughout the Region.
2. To urge ministries of health of all the countries of the Region to establish a maintenance unit at the national level requesting financial assistance from the UNDP, whenever necessary; to assign qualified personnel and adequate budget to each health maintenance activity; and to train personnel to effectively handle and operate the maintenance program within the health facility.

3. To recommend that the Director continue the promotion of a regional program of maintenance and engineering for medical care services and other health services and explore possible national or international sources of financing to help interested countries in the expansion of these services.

(Approved at the fifth plenary session,
12 October 1972)

RESOLUTION XI

PAHO AWARD FOR ADMINISTRATION

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the report of the PAHO Award for Administration Committee (Document CE68/2, Addendum I); and

Bearing in mind the criteria for the PAHO Award for Administration,

RESOLVES:

To declare Dr. Eduardo Zapata Salazar of Peru the winner of the 1972 PAHO Award for Administration.

(Approved at the sixth plenary session,
12 October 1972)

RESOLUTION XII

COUNTRY REPORTS ON HEALTH CONDITIONS

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having taken note of Document CE68/7 on country reports on health conditions, prepared by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau; and

Bearing in mind the interest expressed by the countries in continuing to present to Pan American Sanitary Conferences a report on the progress achieved in the health field,

RESOLVES:

1. To request the countries to send to the Pan American Sanitary Bureau not less than 60 days before the date of the Meeting of the Pan American Sanitary Conference a report setting forth the most important developments in the health field in the past four years, with special emphasis on changes and innovations in the organization and administration of health services and on novel aspects of programs in operation which are of general interest.

2. To recommend to the XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference that during the plenary sessions, the delegates limit their speeches to a statement of the most important points in the above-mentioned report or of any other information they consider to be of interest to the Conference, provided that the statement shall not exceed four double-spaced typewritten pages and the time for reading it shall not exceed 10 minutes. For the purposes of this presentation, delegates are to be entered previously on the list of speakers.

3. To request the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to write to the health authorities of the countries not less than six months before the date of the meeting of the Conference reminding them of the terms of this resolution.

(Approved at the sixth plenary session,
12 October 1972)

RESOLUTION XIII

REPORT ON THE III SPECIAL MEETING OF MINISTERS
OF HEALTH AND STEPS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT
THE DECISIONS ADOPTED

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having heard the statement by the Director of PASB on the III Meeting of Ministers of Health of the Americas, held in Santiago, Chile, 2-9 October 1972; and

Considering that the recommendations made by the III Meeting of Ministers of Health of the Americas constitute valuable guidelines on the direction to be taken by the programs of the countries during the next decade,

RESOLVES:

1. To incorporate into the Organization's policy the recommendations of the III Meeting of Ministers of Health of the Americas, held in Santiago, 2-9 October 1972.
2. To request the Director of PASB to study the implications of the recommendations of the III Meeting of Ministers of Health, and the consequent modifications of objectives and priorities in the program of the Organization, and to report thereon to the XXII Meeting of the Directing Council.

3. To recommend to the countries that, within their planning process, they identify the priority health problems and establish objectives for each of them in accordance with the manpower, physical, and financial resources available, taking into account the regional health goals.
4. To request the Director of PASB to convene as soon as possible a working group of personnel responsible for planning and information and of health economists, with a view to designing an evaluation system that can be adapted to the unique conditions of the countries and still be flexible enough to give comparable results, which in turn will make possible a continent-wide evaluation of the achievements of the decade.
5. To recommend to PAHO that, in consultation with experts of the countries, general guidelines be drawn up for determining the present financing of health investments and the changes required to carry out the plans and programs envisaged in the Ten-Year Health Plan for the Americas, 1971-1980.
6. To suggest to the health authorities of the countries that they initiate cost studies of their health services and, when they deem it possible, cost-benefit studies, particularly in areas with the largest investment.
7. To recommend to PAHO that it prepare the necessary designs to ensure comparability of the cost studies.
8. To recommend that PASB furnish advisory services to countries requesting them, in all matter relating to the financing of the health sector, for example: the financial analysis of the sector, analysis of health expenditures, programming of investments, manage-

ment and financing of specific projects and of external credits, so that the countries will gradually come to know what financial resources are earmarked for health and how they are related to the benefits obtained.

(Approved at the sixth plenary session,
12 October 1972)

RESOLUTION XIV

ELECTION OF THREE MEMBER GOVERNMENTS TO THE EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE ON THE TERMINATION OF THE PERIODS OF OFFICE
OF GUYANA, PERU AND VENEZUELA

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Considering the provisions of Article 9-B of the Constitution
of the Pan American Health Organization; and

Considering that the Governments of Haiti, Mexico, and Panama
were elected to the Executive Committee on the termination of the
periods of office of Guyana, Peru and Venezuela,

RESOLVES:

1. To declare the Governments of Haiti, Mexico, and Panama elected
to the Executive Committee for a period of three years.
2. To thank the Governments of Guyana, Peru and Venezuela for the
services rendered to the Organization by their Representatives on the
Executive Committee.

(Approved at the sixth plenary session,
12 October 1972)

RESOLUTION XV

FINANCING OF THE REGULAR BUDGET OF
THE PANAMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Considering that at present approximately 99 per cent of the funds for the Regular Budget of the Pan American Health Organization are derived from the quota contributions of Member Governments and Participating Governments; i.e., that income from other financial sources represents only just over 1 per cent of the total Regular Budget;

That, among other factors, the high rate of natural population increase in the American Continent, the commitment entered into by the Governments at the III Special Meeting of Ministers of Health to attain realistic but ambitious goals, and the continuous increase in the production costs of health services due to scientific and technological development, are sufficient reasons for considering as a matter of the utmost seriousness and urgency the problem of the necessary increase in the budget of the Pan American Health Organization;

That it is not possible for the burden of that increase to continue to fall almost exclusively upon the quota contributions of the Member Governments and Participating Governments, from which we may deduce that the most advisable and feasible course is to look for means of achieving a rapid and substantial expansion in the sources of financing supplementary

to the quota contributions, so that the major part of the budgetary increase would be derived from those new sources, apart from the historical process of growth in quota contributions that has been taking place and will continue to occur; and

That in this regard the efforts which the Pan American Sanitary Bureau has been making towards the setting-up of a financial institution to promote the raising of supplementary financial resources for the Organization's budget are commendable,

RESOLVES:

1. That the XXI Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Health Organization, XXIV Meeting of the World Health Organization Regional Committee for the Americas instruct the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to establish a special group of experts to study the problem of obtaining financial resources to supplement the quota contributions of Member Governments and Participating Governments, the said group to propose concrete alternative solutions, feasible and capable of immediate application, to the 70th Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Pan American Health Organization.
2. That the Executive Committee of the Pan American Health Organization, at its forthcoming 70th Meeting, consider the report of the Special Group of Experts and on the basis thereof present suitable recommendations to the Directing Council at its XXII Meeting so that the most appropriate alternative solution may be implemented as rapidly and effectively as possible.

(Approved at the sixth plenary session,
12 October 1972)

RESOLUTION XVI

PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET ESTIMATES OF THE WORLD HEALTH
ORGANIZATION FOR THE REGION OF THE AMERICAS FOR 1975

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the Proposed Program and Budget Estimates of the World Health Organization for the Region of the Americas for 1973 and 1974, contained in Official Document No. 114; and

Recognizing the advisability of projecting probable program needs into future years,

RESOLVES:

To recommend to the Director General that he include in the Program and Budget Estimates of the World Health Organization for 1975 the proposed program for the Region of the Americas as detailed in Document CD21/4.

(Approved at the sixth plenary session,
12 October 1972)

RESOLUTION XVII

V INTER-AMERICAN MEETING, AT THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL,
ON FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE AND ZONOSSES CONTROL

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

Having considered the Final Report of the V Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Control (Document CE68/5);

Recognizing the importance of strengthening the coordination of activities carried out by the ministries of agriculture and of health in the field of human and animal health;

Mindful of the need for continued efforts in manpower development in animal health planning;

Being aware of the seriousness of the public health hazards developing from the indiscriminate use of pesticides, particularly in view of the lack of adequate legislation or of analytical laboratories to aid in the needed remedial action; and

Noting that the forthcoming completion of the Pan American Highway through the Darién Gap will increase the risk of introduction of certain diseases of human and animal significance into areas now free of them,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the Final Report of the V Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Control (Document CE68/5).
2. To emphasize the advisability of having representatives of the ministries of health attend future Inter-American Meetings on Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Control, in order to obtain a better coordination of activities in this field.
3. To express its thanks to the ministries of agriculture for their endeavors in the control of these diseases of human and animal health significance, which, if allowed to persist, would hinder the economic and social development of the countries.
4. To recommend to the Member Governments that they give serious consideration to the impending hazards to human and animal health resulting from the application and indiscriminate use of pesticides, and that they follow the recommendations contained in Resolution XV approved at the V Inter-American Meeting on Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Control.

5. To reaffirm its support of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center and the Pan American Zoonoses Center and the programs they are conducting.

6. To emphasize the need for greater cooperation between the ministries of agriculture and the ministries of health and international organizations in order to more effectively control animal disease as a feasible measure for improving human health in the Hemisphere.

(Approved at the sixth plenary session,
12 October 1972)

RESOLUTION XVIII

QUOTA COLLECTIONS AND APPLICATION OF ARTICLE 6-B
OF THE PAHO CONSTITUTION

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the report on the collection of quota contributions (Document CD21/12 and Addendum I); and

Having received and considered the Report of the Working Party on the application of Article 6-B of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization, which indicated:

- a) That two countries, Bolivia and Haiti, have made payments in 1972 toward fulfillment of plans for payment of arrears within a definite period, previously approved by the Directing Council; and both intend to make further payments before the end of this year;
- b) That two countries, Paraguay and Uruguay, have made quota payments in 1972, and each intends to make further payments to equal its quota for 1972. In addition, each Government

proposes to adopt a plan, starting in 1973, to pay an amount equal to its current quota plus 10% of the arrears outstanding at the end of 1972,

- c) That the Government of the Dominican Republic plans to pay the amount of its current quota, US\$54,065, before the end of 1972. Furthermore, it proposes to adopt a plan, starting in 1973, to pay an amount equal to its current quota plus 10% of the arrears outstanding at the end of 1972,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the report on the collection of quota contributions (Document CD21/12 and Addendum I).
2. To thank the governments that have already made payments in 1972, and to urge all governments to pay remaining balances of arrears and current year quotas before the end of the year.
3. To note with appreciation the payments made by Bolivia and Haiti, as well as their intention to make further payments in fulfillment of their respective plans for payment of arrears within a definite period.
4. To note with appreciation the intention of Paraguay and Uruguay to make further payments in 1972 which, together with amounts already paid, will equal the current quota.
5. To note the intention of the Dominican Republic to pay its current quota before the end of the year.

6. To approve the respective plans proposed by the Dominican Republic, Paraguay and Uruguay for payment in future years of their current quotas plus 10 per cent of the arrears outstanding at the end of 1972.

7. To permit the above-mentioned five Governments affected by Article 6, paragraph B, of the Constitution to vote in the XXI Meeting of the Directing Council.

8. To request the Director to continue to inform the governments of any balances due and to report to the XXII Meeting of the Directing Council on the status of the collection of quotas.

(Approved at the sixth plenary session,
12 October 1972)

RESOLUTION XIX

RESOLUTIONS OF THE TWENTY-FIFTH WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY OF
INTEREST TO THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered Document CD21/3, in which the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau submitted to the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization for the Americas some of the resolutions approved by the Twenty-fifth World Health Assembly and by the Forty-ninth and Fiftieth Sessions of the Executive Board; and

Bearing in mind Annex VIII of Document CD21/3 relating to the twenty-fifth anniversary of the World Health Organization,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the following resolutions of interest to the Regional Committee:

Resolution WHA25.26	Organizational Study by the Executive Board on Medical Literature Services to Members
Resolution WHA25.35	Community Water Supply
Resolution WHA25.39	New Zone Office Building in Brasilia
Resolution WHA25.42	Training of National Health Personnel
Resolution WHA25.45	Smallpox Eradication

Resolution WHA25.63

Occupational Health Programs

Resolution EB49.R14

Place of Regional Committee Sessions

Resolution EB50.R18

Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the
World Health Organization

2. To recommend to the Governments that they give due importance to the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the World Health Organization.

(Approved at the sixth plenary session,
12 October 1972)

RESOLUTION XX

PAN AMERICAN CENTER FOR HEALTH PLANNING

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the report on the work of the Pan American Center for Health Planning, presented by its Director in compliance with Resolution XXIII of the 66th Meeting of the Executive Committee;

Having considered the report of the First Meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee of the Center, held in 1971;

Bearing in mind the programming of the second phase of the Center, in which its program of work is expanded and reoriented with a view to completing the transfer of training and research responsibilities to the countries, and to strengthening and expanding its information services; and

Recognizing that the Center is complying with the general guidelines for the establishment, operation, and financing of multinational centers, established in Resolution XXIII of the XVIII Pan American Sanitary Conference,

RESOLVES:

1. To commend and thank the Director for the training, research, and information activities the Pan American Center for Health Planning is providing in support of the countries.
2. To thank the United Nations Development Program for the financial assistance it is giving to the Center through Program RLA/68/083.
3. To endorse the new orientation of the activities of the Center for a second phase, especially the emphasis on information services and the way in which they will be used to continue to support and orient the training and updating of specialized manpower and the research they are carrying out in the countries on planning problems.
4. To recognize the importance of maintaining the efficiency of the Center, especially for carrying out its second phase, and to support the Director of the Bureau in the negotiations that are being conducted with the United Nations Development Program for the financing of the second phase of Program RLA/68/083.
5. To request the Director to report to the Directing Council on the projected activities and the financial needs of the Center as well as on the negotiations being conducted with the United Nations Development Program.

(Approved at the sixth plenary session,
12 October 1972)

RESOLUTION XXI

DOCTOR BASIL LAYTON

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Considering that Dr. Basil Layton has worked uninterruptedly for over 25 years in the public health service of the Government of Canada and in the international field; and

Considering that he has decided to retire from active service,

RESOLVES:

To extend a vote of thanks for his work and recognize the effectiveness of his invaluable cooperation.

(Approved at the sixth plenary session,
12 October 1972)

RESOLUTION XXII

DESIGNATION OF TWO SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS
THE COMMEMORATIVE SESSION OF THE
TWENTY-SIXTH WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having noted Resolution EB5.R18 of the Executive Board of the World Health Organization on the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of WHO; and

Considering the importance of this great event,

RESOLVES:

To designate the representatives of Brazil and of Trinidad and Tobago to speak on behalf of the Region of the Americas at the commemorative session of the twenty-sixth World Health Assembly.

(Approved at the sixth plenary session,
12 October 1972)

RESOLUTION XXIII

CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR THE REGIONAL PROGRAM
OF THE PAN AMERICAN ZONOSSES CENTER

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having heard with gratification that the United Nations Development Program has approved the new Regional Project of the Pan American Zoonoses Center; and

Recognizing that in accordance with the Plan of Operations of this Regional Program it is necessary to establish a Co-ordinating Committee whose membership has to include three representatives of the Ministries of Health,

RESOLVES:

To elect the Governments of Uruguay, the United States of America and Venezuela to serve on the Co-ordinating Committee for the Regional Program of the Pan American Zoonoses Center.

(Approved at the sixth plenary session,
12 October 1972)

RESOLUTION XXIV

AGREEMENT BETWEEN PAHO/WHO AND THE ORGANIZATION
OF CENTRAL AMERICAN STATES (ODECA)

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Taking into account the Report of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau on the proposed agreement between PAHO/WHO and the Organization of Central American States (ODECA) (Document CD21/15); and

Bearing in mind the authorization the Executive Committee gave to the Director at its 68th Meeting, to continue negotiations with ODECA in order to formalize relations between the two organizations,

RESOLVES:

To authorize the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to continue the above-mentioned negotiations and to sign eventually the agreement between PAHO/WHO and the Organization of Central American States.

(Approved at the sixth plenary session,
12 October 1972)

RESOLUTION XXV

COST-BENEFIT STUDY ON THE PREVENTION OF
AEDES AEGYPTI-BORNE DISEASES

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the report of the cost-benefit study on the prevention of Aedes aegypti-borne diseases in the Americas, prepared by a specialized firm in accordance with Resolution XIII of the XX Meeting of the Directing Council,

RESOLVES:

1. To note the conclusions and recommendations of the study.
2. To request the Director of PASB to make known the comments and observations made on the study by experts from other agencies.
3. To urge the governments of the countries still infested to decide without delay to eradicate Aedes aegypti from their territories, in accordance with the resolution approved at the I Meeting of the Directing Council (Buenos Aires, 1947) .
4. To note with satisfaction the statement by the delegates of the countries which have declared their intention to take the necessary measures for preventing reinfestation of neighboring countries .

5. To express its thanks to the Governments of the United States of America and of Trinidad and Tobago for their generous voluntary contributions toward the financing of the study.

6. To request the Director to convene a group of experts in various disciplines connected with this vector and the diseases it transmits, in order that the group may issue recommendations in the light of new knowledge and experience.

(Approved at the seventh plenary session,
13 October 1973)

RESOLUTION XXVI

BUILDINGS AND INSTALLATIONS

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the report of the Director on buildings and installations (Document CD21/13) and taking note of Resolution IX approved at the 68th Meeting of the Executive Committee,

RESOLVES:

To note the report presented by the Director of PASB on buildings and installations.

(Approved at the seventh plenary session,
13 October 1972)

RESOLUTION XXVII

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES IN
FRONTIER ZONES

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Taking into account the importance of health problems in frontier regions common to two or more countries; and

Considering that for the control of the diseases which affect frontier zones it is essential to carry out synchronized, co-ordinated measures financed simultaneously by the countries involved,

RESOLVES:

1. To request the assistance of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau in ensuring that countries which have common health problems on their frontiers are invited to study them jointly and develop co-ordinated activities, the necessary financial assistance for their control being, where possible, provided, or the programs being financed jointly by the interested parties.
2. That where necessary the health authorities of the countries establish groups with the specific function of giving priority attention to frontier problems.

3. To request those countries which have joint frontier programs to meet periodically in order to evaluate the activities developed.

(Approved at the seventh plenary session,
13 October 1972)

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

DONE in Santiago, Chile, this thirteenth day of October, nineteen hundred and seventy two. 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.

Juan Carlos Concha Gutiérrez
President of the Directing Council
Representative of Chile

Abraham Horwitz
Director of the
Pan American Sanitary Bureau
Secretary ex officio of the
Directing Council