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9th DIRECTING COUNCIL
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RESOLUTION

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MALARIA ERADICATION PROGRAM IN THE AMERICAS

THE 9th DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Considering Resolution XVIII of the XIII Pan American Sanitary Conference, which instructed the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to promote the intensification and coordination of antimalaria work with a view to achieving the eradication of malaria in the Western Hemisphere;

Considering Resolution XLII of the XIV Pan American Sanitary Conference, which provided that the Pan American Sanitary Bureau should carry out the terms of the aforementioned resolution and study international measures to ensure the protection of those countries or territories that have achieved eradication of malaria, and which authorized the Director to secure the financial participation of public or private organizations, national or international, in order to further the aims set forth in that resolution; and

Considering the results obtained in the countries of the Americas in the fight against malaria, particularly the progress made since the XIV Pan American Sanitary Conference,

RESOLVES

1. To record the consensus of all countries of the Hemisphere that malaria should be given first priority among public health problems.
2. To reaffirm its faith in the possibility of eradicating malaria in the Western Hemisphere.
3. To acknowledge the great efforts that the countries of the Americas have made and are making to bring their anti-malaria programs to completion.
4. To acknowledge and express its great appreciation for the collaboration provided by the Government of the United States of America in assigning the amount of \$1,500,000 to increase the special fund of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for antimalaria activities in the Hemisphere.
5. To recognize the importance of international collaboration for the success of the malaria eradication program in the Americas, and to declare that the financial participation of UNICEF and of United Nations Technical Assistance has been of special significance in the plan of activities that the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and the various Member Governments are jointly carrying out in this field.
6. To recommend to the Member Governments that, owing to the urgency of the malaria eradication program, they assign to the national malaria services the necessary rank and authority to expedite the handling of funds and of personnel problems, as one of the means of assuring the success of this program.
7. To encourage the Member Governments to exert every possible effort, to the extent necessary, to convert their malaria control programs into eradication programs and to assure the provision of the necessary resources so that the eradication programs under way will continue uninterrupted until their completion.
8. To recommend to those Member Governments that have carried eradication activities to an advanced stage or that consider eradication to have been achieved, that, in their reports on the status

of the program, they follow the criteria established by the World Health Organization and the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, enlisting for that purpose the collaboration of experts of those organizations.

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