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REQUEST OF THE GOVERNMENT OF GUYANA FOR ADMISSION IN THE PAN AMERICAN  
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On 20 September 1966 the Acting Prime Minister and the Minister of External Affairs of Guyana, Mr. P.H. Ceid, sent the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau the following letter:

"Sir,

I have the honour to apply, on behalf of the Government of Guyana, for membership in the Pan American Health Organization in accordance with Article 2A of the Constitution of the Organization.

Guyana became an independent and sovereign state on 26th May, 1966. Accordingly, Guyana now wishes to become a full member in her own right.

The Government of Guyana is willing and prepared to fulfil the financial obligations imposed on members in accordance with the Constitution of the Pan American Organization, to comply with the provisions of the Pan American Sanitary Codes as amended by the additional Protocol of 1952, and to co-operate fully with the other Member States in the work of the Organization.

Accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

P.H. Ceid

Acting Prime Minister and  
Minister of External Affairs."

The Director sent this letter to all Governments of the Organization, informing them that the application of Guyana would be examined at the 56th Meeting of the Executive Committee.

It should be pointed out that on 27 September 1966 the Government of Guyana deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations, a formal instrument of acceptance of the Constitution of the World Health Organization. As a member of that Organization, Guyana was represented at the XVII Pan American Sanitary Conference, XVIII Meeting of the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization for the Americas, by a delegation whose credentials were accepted at the Sixth Plenary Session held on 28 September.

On this occasion, and in conformity with the letter the Director sent to the Governments, the Director has the honor to submit to the Executive Committee, for its consideration and further action, the application of the Government of Guyana for membership in the Pan American Health Organization.