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26th DIRECTING COUNCIL
31st SESSION OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE

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RESOLUTION

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**EFFECTS ON THE NERVOUS SYSTEM OF PROTEIN-CALORIE
MALNUTRITION INTERCURRENT WITH OTHER LIMITING
FACTORS**

THE 26th DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Mindful of the devastating effects of protein-calorie malnutrition on human biological development;
and

Aware of the damage that can be done, particularly to the central nervous system, by protein-calorie malnutrition and intercurrent nutritional deficiencies and the serious public health problem their incidence poses,

RESOLVES

1. To request the Director to present to the 84th Meeting of the Executive Committee a document on the latest developments in the understanding of malnutrition and deficiency-induced mental retardation in the countries of the Region.
2. To recommend to the Director the inclusion in the operating budget of adequate financing for studies to learn more about malnutrition and mental retardation caused by deficiencies, for the purpose of promoting the development of many different control strategies.

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