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RESOLUTION

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MALARIA ERADICATION

THE 20th DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the XIX Report of the Director of the Bureau on the status of malaria eradication in the Americas (Document CD20/2);¹

Bearing in mind Resolution WHA22.392 of the Twenty-second World Health Assembly;

Viewing with concern the financial difficulties that are hindering the progress of some programs;

Bearing in mind that the agricultural use of insecticides may engender vector resistance and that DDT is still the most useful insecticide for most of the malarious areas; and

Recognizing that the Governments are making investment plans for development,

RESOLVES

1. To take note of the XIX Report of the Director of the Bureau on the status of malaria eradication in the Americas (Document CD20/2).
2. To reiterate its wish that Governments with eradication programs that have not yet been reexamined undertake that reexamination in accordance with Resolution WHA22.39.
3. To urge the Governments to continue their efforts to achieve the necessary financing and administrative efficiency for the normal development of operations.

4. To recommend to the Governments that, through their Ministries of Health and Agriculture, they issue regulations governing the use of acceptable insecticides for health campaigns and agricultural use.
5. To request the countries producing DDT to continue manufacturing it for those activities.
6. To emphasize the need to coordinate the activities of the Ministries of Health and the institutions responsible for the planning and execution of public works so as to prevent the creation of malaria problems, and to stress the need to make provision in their budgets for the funds required for antimalaria activities.
7. To reiterate the importance of strengthening basic health services in originally malarious areas and of strengthening coordination between national malaria eradication services and general health services.
8. To thank the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Development Program, and the Governments of the United States of America and of the Federal Republic of Germany for the assistance they have provided, and to request them to continue to provide assistance at a level that will enable the programs to be efficiently conducted.

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