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RESOLUTION

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

THE 20th DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered Document CD20/11 presented by the Director, which contains the Final Report of the IV Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Control, held pursuant to Resolution XIX approved by the Directing Council at its XVII Meeting;

Bearing in mind the valuable technical assistance with which the Organization has been providing the countries, through the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center and the Pan American Zoonoses Center, in the planning and implementation of programs for the control of foot-and-mouth disease and other zoonoses;

Noting the financial assistance being provided by international credit agencies for those programs, which are of vital importance for the health and economy of the countries;

Mindful of the serious human and animal health problems in the Hemisphere which are being caused by zoonoses; and

Bearing in mind the need to strengthen programs for the development of manpower at all levels to carry out campaigns for the control of foot-and-mouth disease and other zoonoses,

RESOLVES

1. To take note of the Final Report of the IV Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Control (Document CD20/11).
2. To thank the Ministries of Agriculture for their efforts to control those diseases, which seriously affect food production and have a marked impact on human health and well-being.
3. To note with satisfaction the resolutions relating to programs for manpower development and for program planning and evaluation, which are essential to the efficient conduct of animal health programs.
4. To reaffirm its support of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center and the Pan American Zoonoses Center and of the programs they are carrying out, and to endorse Resolutions IV and VI of the IV Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Control concerning the program and budget estimates of those Centers for 1972 and the preliminary drafts for 1973.
5. To reaffirm its support of the request of the Governments to the United Nations Development Program that it provide the Pan American Zoonoses Center, as a regional project, with financial assistance.
6. To emphasize the need for the Organization to provide increased technical assistance for the study of diseases, such as Venezuelan equine encephalitis, which are emerging as serious health problems, and for the conduct of programs to control them.
7. To thank the Governments of Argentina and of Brazil for the technical and financial assistance which they have given to the Pan American Zoonoses Center and the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center, respectively.
8. To emphasize that the other resolutions approved by the IV Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Control clearly reflect the activities of the Ministries of Agriculture of the Member Countries for the control of animal diseases affecting the health and economy of the peoples of the Hemisphere.

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