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## 132nd SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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### ***RESOLUTION***

#### ***CE132.R4***

#### **13th INTER-AMERICAN MEETING, AT THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL, ON HEALTH AND AGRICULTURE (RIMSA 13)**

#### ***THE 132nd SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,***

Having considered the final report of the 13th Inter-American meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Health and Agriculture (RIMSA 13) (Document CE132/12, Rev. 1),

#### ***RESOLVES:***

To recommend that the 44th Directing Council adopt a resolution along the following lines:

#### ***THE 44th DIRECTING COUNCIL,***

Having considered the final report of the 13th Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, in Health and Agriculture (RIMSA 13) (Document CD44/\_\_);

Bearing in mind Resolution CD17.R19, which authorized the Director to convene this meeting and Resolution RIMSA11.R3, ratified by the 41st Directing Council, mandating the Director of PAHO to convene both the ministers of agriculture and health at the RIMSA meetings;

Considering that RIMSA continues to operate as the intersectoral forum at the highest political level to address important health issues related to the health and agriculture sectors; and

Recognizing the broad response to the call by the Director of PAHO to the ministers of agriculture and health of Member States to participate in RIMSA 13,

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***RESOLVES:***

1. To endorse the recommendations and resolutions of RIMSA 13.
2. To urge Member States to continue strengthening the mechanisms for intersectoral coordination between health and agriculture in order to formulate joint and complementary plans and activities, with private sector participation, in relation to zoonoses, foot-and-mouth disease, and food safety.
3. To request the Director of PAHO to support strategies to generate the necessary mobilization of resources from the relevant sectors in support of technical cooperation activities in the areas of zoonoses, foot-and-mouth disease, and food security/safety, to facilitate compliance of RIMSA recommendations and mandates.

*(Seventh meeting, 26 June 2003)*