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132nd SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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RESOLUTION

CE132.R9

NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS IN OFFICIAL RELATIONS WITH PAHO

THE 132nd SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having studied the report of the Standing Subcommittee on Nongovernmental Organizations (Document CE132/8, and Add. I); and

Mindful of the provisions of the *Principles Governing Relations between the Pan American Health Organization and Nongovernmental Organizations* (1995, revised 2000),

RESOLVES:

1. To continue official relations between PAHO and the Latin American Union against Sexually Transmitted Diseases (ULACETS) and with the International Organization of Consumers Unions (CI-ROLAC) for one year, with the understanding that progress in addressing concerns raised will be reviewed at the next meeting of the Standing Committee on NGOs in June of 2004.
2. To request the Director to:
 - (a) advise the respective NGOs of the decisions taken by the Executive Committee;
 - (b) prepare an evaluation protocol which would serve as criteria for the Standing Committee on NGOs when called upon to review PAHO's collaboration with NGOs. This protocol will be reviewed by the Standing Committee on NGOs and submitted to the Executive Committee at the next session in September 2003;

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- (c) continue developing dynamic working relations with inter-American NGOs of interest to the Organization in areas which fall within the program priorities that the Governing Bodies have adopted for PAHO;
- (d) assess the relevance of the relationship with inter-American NGOs working officially with PAHO, encouraging more participation and collaboration; and
- (e) continue fostering relationships between Member States and NGOs working in the field of health.

(Eighth meeting, 26 June 2003)