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RESOLUTIONS OF THE 46TH COSALFA

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RESOLUTION I

FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE IN VENEZUELA

The 46th Ordinary Meeting of the COSALFA

Whereas:

- The effort made by the Permanent Veterinary Committee (PVC) and Brazil jointly with PANAFTOSA-PAHO/WHO to support the Technical Cooperation Plan with the Venezuelan Foot-and-Mouth Disease Program elaborated according to Resolution I of the COSALFA 45;
- The objective difficulties encountered for the joint work with the National Institute of Integral Agricultural Health (INSAI) which hampered the working plan to carry out the second cycle of vaccination, supported by a donation of vaccines from Brazil and which have prevented the continuity of the Technical Cooperation;
- The increasing deterioration of the Foot-and-Mouth disease Control Program in Venezuela;
- The offer of the Brazilian and Colombian vaccine manufacturing industry to provide stocks of high quality vaccines to Venezuela in order to strengthen necessary vaccination programs for two years, in favorable commercial conditions;
- The participation of representatives of the Venezuelan private sector, who have expressed their commitment towards the eradication of foot-and-mouth disease and the objectives of the Hemispheric Program for the Eradication of Foot-and-Mouth Disease (PHEFA);
- The regional experience in the eradication of the foot-and-mouth disease shows that the commitment of the public and private sectors is an essential condition and has been a critical component for the achievement of the objectives of the PHEFA.

It resolves:

- 1. To thank Brazil for its contribution to the technical cooperation project of the Venezuelan foot-andmouth disease program, elaborated in compliance with Resolution I of the COSALFA 45.
- 2. Keep on providing collaboration to Venezuela for the control of foot-and-mouth disease, within the framework of the PHEFA and urge the INSAI to reestablish its Control Program.
- 3. Urge the Colombian Federation of Cattle Farmers (FEDEGAN), and the other private sectors of the COSALFA, to contribute money to the Trust Fund for the purchase of 8,000,000 doses of vaccines every year, to be used in the bordering states of Venezuela by the private sector.



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RESOLUTION II COLOMBIAN FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE PROGRAM

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Whereas:

- The transboundary risk affecting the North of the Andean sub-region caused by the circulation of serotype O;
- The effort made by the Colombian Agricultural Institute (ICA) to control and end the foot-andmouth disease outbreak that affected the country in 2017 and 2018;
- The strategy defined by the ICA to recover the official foot-and-mouth disease status with rezoning and differential actions in the disease-free area with vaccination, to provide sustainability against the risk of new introductions;
- The technical collaboration provided by PANAFTOSA-PAHO/WHO to the ICA.

It resolves:

- 1. To thank the ICA for the information provided regarding outbreak control during 2018 and the actions made for their control and elimination.
- 2. To acknowledge and congratulate the ICA for the efforts made to recover the status and its future sustainability within the frame of the PHEFA and the international standards, thus contributing to mitigating the risk in the region.
- 3. Urge the Andean Community (CAN), and the countries of the COSALFA, to promote and manage with PANAFTOSA-PAHO/WHO support initiatives for the mobilization of resources to help strengthen the Colombian health strategy.



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RESOLUTION III

TECHNICAL COOPERATION OF PANAFTOSA WITH NATIONAL LABORATORIES

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Whereas:

- The process of improvement in the region for the eradication of the foot-and-mouth disease, with an increase of free zones with or without vaccination;
- Isolated zones still remain with occurrence of foot-and-mouth disease outbreaks requiring a rapid response of the reference laboratory of PANAFTOSA-PAHO/WHO, including genetic characterization by sequencing of all viral isolates;
- The need to have the highest number of complete sequences of past and current viruses of the region in order to conduct phylogenetic studies that help in the identification of potential viral niches;
- National foot-and-mouth disease diagnostic laboratories should have the capacity to timely identify and characterize the foot-and-mouth disease viruses during an outbreak of the disease.

It resolves:

- 1. To approve the development of genetic studies with the strains stored in the culture collection of PANAFTOSA-PAHO/WHO reference laboratory and with those present in the countries.
- 2. Approve the publication of the results in the Genbank, in order to collaborate with the global surveillance of foot-and-mouth disease.
- 3. That PANAFTOSA-PAHO/WHO conducts technical cooperation missions to national laboratories of the countries of the region in order to elaborate a situation analysis with the purpose of promoting the strengthening of their diagnostic capacities and facilitate integration and collaboration among technicians of national laboratories and PANAFTOSA-PAHO/WHO.



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RESOLUTION IV

ELABORATION OF THE NEW HEMISPHERIC PROGRAM FOR THE ERADICATION OF FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE (PHEFA) ACTION PLAN

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Whereas:

- The significant progress made in the fight against foot-and-mouth disease at the end of the PHEFA Action Plan 2011-2020;
- Most of the region deals with the challenges inherent to a transition and post-eradication phase, while the elimination of foot-and-mouth disease should continue in areas with persistent infection;
- The Action Plan should be elaborated following a participative process gathering the experience of the countries and considering the regional and global epidemiological scenarios.

It resolves:

- 1. That PANAFTOSA-PAHO/WHO calls on experts from the countries of the COSALFA in order to elaborate an Action Plan to provide continuity to the PHEFA beyond 2020 and to respond to the challenges present in the Region of the Americas.
- 2. The Action Plan will be submitted to the member countries in the next meeting of the COSALFA and approved in an extraordinary COHEFA.
- 3. To ask the member countries to encourage the participation of their experts in the process of elaborating the Action Plan.



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RESOLUTION V

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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Whereas:

• The political relevance and excellent conditions provided by official authorities and the representatives of the Colombian private sector, particularly the dedication and consideration of the personnel from the Colombian Agricultural Institute (ICA), the Ministry of Agricultural and Rural Development for the holding of the 46th Ordinary Meeting of the COSALFA and the Pre-COSALFA International Seminar.

It resolves:

- 1. To thank the Colombian Government, represented by the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, for the political support given to the 46th COSALFA.
- 2. To express our gratitude to the technical group of the Colombian Agricultural Institute (ICA), represented by its General Manager, Dr. Deyanira Barrero León, President of the COSALFA 46, for the dedication displayed throughout the meetings.
- 3. To particularly thank the Colombian Private Sector, represented by the companies Vecol, Limor, Tecnoquímica and PorkColombia, for their commitment, support and active participation in the Colombian Federation of Cattle Farmers (FEDEGAN), and the hospitality and warmth provided during the Meeting.



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RESOLUTION VI DESIGNATION OF COSALFA 47 HOST COUNTRY

The 46th Ordinary Meeting of the COSALFA

Whereas:

- The delegation of Argentina submitted to consideration its country's offer to host the 47th Ordinary Meeting of the COSALFA;
- The support expressed by the delegations to Argentina's offer.

It resolves:

1. To thank and accept the offer of the Argentine delegation to be the host country for the 47th Ordinary Meeting of the COSALFA, on a location and date to be defined in April 2020.



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Español:

EN FE DE LO CUAL, la Presidente de la Reunión, Dra. Deyanira Barrero León, Gerente General del Instituto Colombiano Agropecuario (ICA), el Director del Centro Panamericano de Fiebre Aftosa – PANAFTOSA-OPS/OMS, Secretario ex officio de la COSALFA, Dr. Ottorino Cosivi y los delegados del sector público y del sector privado de los países miembros de la COSALFA firman la lista de presencia a la 46^a. Reunión Ordinaria de la COSALFA, realizada en Cartagena, Colombia, los días 2 y 3 de mayo del año dos mil y diecinueve.

Português:

EM FE DO QUAL, a Presidente da Reunião, Dra. Deyanira Barrero León, Gerente Geral do Instituto Colombiano Agropecuário (ICA), o Diretor do Centro Pan-Americano de Febre Aftosa - PANAFTOSA-OPAS/OMS, Secretário *ex officio* da COSALFA, Dr. Ottorino Cosivi e os delegados do setor público e do setor privado dos países membros da COSALFA assinam a lista de presença da 46ª Reunião Ordinária da COSALFA, realizada em realizada em Cartagena, Colômbia, nos dias 02 e 03 maio do ano de dois mil e dezenove.

English:

IN WITNESS WHERE OF, the Chairman of the Meeting Dr. Deyanira Barrero León, General Manager of Instituto Colombiano Agropecuario - ICA, the Director of the Pan-American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center - PANAFTOSA-PAHO/WHO, Secretary *ex officio* of COSALFA, Dr. Ottorino Cosivi and the Delegates of the public and private sectors of the member countries, have signed the present list of participants at the 46th COSALFA Ordinary Meeting, held in Cartagena, Colombia, on 2-3 May 2019.

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