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XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference

RESOLUTIONS

CSP19.R1 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having reviewed the formal request for membership in the Pan American Health Organization made by the Minister of External Affairs of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas on behalf of his Government in a letter dated 26 February 1974;

Considering that the Government of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas has declared its willingness to assume all the obligation set forth in the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organizations, to comply with the provisions of the Pan American Sanitary Code as modified by the Additional Protocol of 24 September 1952, and to contribute by means of a quota assessment to the financial support of the Organization; and

Bearing in mind the recommendation of the Executive Committee contained in Resolution 1 of its 72nd Meeting,

Resolves:

1. To approve with satisfaction the request of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas for membership in the Pan American Health Organization.
2. To instruct the Director to transmit this decision to the Governments of the Organization.

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CSP19.R2 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having examined the Annual Report of the Chairman of the Executive Committee, Dr. Everardo González Gálvez, Representative of Panama (Document CSP19/22), on the work of the Committee from October 1973 to the present, during which period its 71st and 72nd Meetings were held; and

Bearing in mind the provision of Article 9, paragraph C, of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization,

Resolves:

To approve the Annual Report of the Chairman of the Executive Committee, Dr. Everardo González Gálvez, Representative of Panama (Document CSP19/22), and to commend him, together with the other members of the Committee, on the excellent work accomplished.

October 1974 OD 133, 52

CSP19.R3 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having examined the Quadrennial (1970-1973) and Annual (1973) Reports of the Director of the Bureau on the activities of the Pan American Health Organization during the period between the XVIII and XIX Pan American Sanitary Conferences (Official Document 131); and

Considering the terms of Article 4, paragraph F, of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization,

Resolves:

To approve the Quadrennial and Annual Reports of the Director (Official Document 131) to the Governments of the Pan American Health Organization, to commend him on the work accomplished in the past four years and on the form

of presentation of the reports, and to extend its commendation to the staff of the Bureau.

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CSP19.R4 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Recognizing that the Commonwealth of the Bahamas has been independent during all of 1974; and

Bearing in mind that the quota assessment for the United Kingdom for 1974 included an amount for the Commonwealth of the Bahamas,

Resolves:

To reduce the net quota assessment for the United Kingdom from US\$55,247 to \$43,415 for financial year 1974.

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CSP19.R5 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having approved the request of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas for admission to membership in the Pan American Health Organization,

Recognizing that Financial Regulation 5.8 provides that new Members shall be required to make a quota contribution for the year in which they become Members; and

Bearing in mind that the quota assessment should be based on an "equivalent percentage" in relation to the scale adopted by the General Assembly of the Organization of American States in accordance with Article 60 of the Pan American Sanitary Code but not in excess of the per capita contribution of the largest contributor,

Resolves:

1. To base the quota assessment for the Commonwealth of the Bahamas for 1974 on an "equivalent percentage" of 0.06.
2. To establish the net assessment for 1974 at US\$11,832.

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CSP19.R6 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Taking into account that the Member Governments appearing in the scale adopted by the General Assembly of the Organization of American States are assessed according to the percentages shown in that scale, in compliance with Article 60 of the Pan American Sanitary Code; and

Considering that other Member Governments and Participating Governments are assessed on the basis of percentages which would be assigned to such countries if they were subject to the OAS scale,

Resolves:

To establish the assessments of the Member Governments and Participating Governments of the Pan American Health Organization for 1975 in accordance with the scale of quotas shown below, and in the corresponding amounts.

1. To appropriate for the financial period 1990–1991 an amount of US\$145,599,550 as follows:

Part I:	Direction, Coordination, and Management	17,332,700
Part II:	Health System Infrastructure ...	58,269,100
Part III:	Health Science and Technology	38,348,700
Part IV:	Program Support.....	<u>16,072,500</u>
	Effective Working Budget (Parts I–IV)	130,023,000
Part V:	Staff Assessment (Transfer to Tax Equalization Fund).....	<u>15,576,550</u>
Total—All Parts		<u><u>145,599,550</u></u>

2. That the appropriation shall be financed from:

(a)	Assessments in respect to: Member and Participating Countries assessed under the scales adopted by the Organization of American States in accordance with Article 60 of the Pan American Sanitary Code or in accordance with Directing Council and Pan American Sanitary Conference resolutions	140,299,550
(b)	Miscellaneous income.....	<u>5,300,000</u>
Total		<u><u>145,599,550</u></u>

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CSP19.R7 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Bearing in mind Article 4, paragraph E, as well as Article 21, paragraph A, of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization, which provide that the Pan American Sanitary Bureau shall have a Director elected at the Conference by the vote of a majority of the Governments of the Organization;

Bearing in mind Rule 45 of the Rules of Procedure of the Conference, which provides that the Director of the Bureau shall be elected by any number of votes greater than half the number of the Governments of the Organization;

Bearing in mind Article 4 of the Agreement between the World Health Organization and the Pan American Health Organization and Articles 49 and 52 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization, which establish the procedure for the appointment of the Regional Director of the World Health Organization; and

Seeing that the election of the Director of the Bureau has been held in accordance with the aforestated procedure,

Resolves:

1. To declare Dr. Héctor Acuña Monteverde Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for a period of four years to begin 1 February 1975.
2. To inform the Executive Board of the World Health Organization of the designation of Dr. Héctor Acuña Monteverde, for appointment as Regional Director for the Americas.

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CSP19.R8 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having considered the report of the Director on the collection of quota contributions (Document CSP19/3 and Add.);

Having heard the report of the working party appointed to study the application of Article 6, paragraph B, of the Constitution in the case of countries more than two years in arrears; and

Bearing in mind the importance of prompt and full payment of quota contributions to assure financing of the authorized program and budget and to maintain the Organization in a sound financial condition,

Resolves:

1. To take note of the report of the Director on the collection of quota contributions (Document CSP19/3 and Add.).

2. To approve the report of the working party, as well as its recommendation that the Delegates of Bolivia, Haiti, and Paraguay be permitted to vote during the XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference.
3. To thank the Governments that have already made payments in 1974 and to urge the other Governments to pay their outstanding arrears and current year quotas as soon as possible so that the work of the Organization can continue and the financial burden of its program be fairly spread among all the Members.
4. To again direct the attention of the Governments to the provisions of paragraph 5.4 of Article V of the Financial Regulations of PAHO, which reads in part as follows: "Contributions shall be considered as due and payable in full...as of the first day of the financial year to which they relate....As of 1 January of the following financial year the unpaid balance of such unpaid contributions shall be considered to be one year in arrears."
5. To request the Director to continue to inform the Governments of any balances due.

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CSP19.R9 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Being convinced that the reports from the Member Governments on health conditions and the progress achieved in the intervals between one Conference and the next provide extremely useful data and records of experience; and

Considering that their presentation by Governments constitutes one of the most important items on the agenda of the Conference,

Resolves:

1. To congratulate the Governments on their excellent reports as presented by their Delegates during the Conference.
2. To reiterate to the countries that these reports will be of the utmost value for future programming of the activities of the health sector.

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CSP19.R10 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference elected Bolivia, Jamaica, and the United States of America to the Executive Committee upon termination of the periods of office of Barbados, Canada, and El Salvador, and thanked the Governments of these countries for the services rendered to the Organization by their representatives on the Committee.

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CSP19.R11 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having heard the report of the Director (Document CSP19/14) on the evaluation of the Fifth General Program of Work of the World Health Organization, 1973-1977;

Considering that the WHO Fifth General Program of Work was used as the basis for the preparation of the Ten-Year Health Plan for the Americas;1 and

Emphasizing that the Ten-Year Health Plan not only covers the areas of major importance contained in the Fifth General Program of Work of WHO but also establishes quantitative goals and suggests strategies for reaching them,

Resolves:

1. To inform the Director-General of the World Health Organization that the Fifth General Program of Work constitutes the basis of the Ten-Year Health Plan for the Americas.
2. To emphasize that the policy of the Pan American Health Organization is aimed entirely at assisting the countries to achieve the objectives established in the Plan.
3. To point out that the difficulties encountered are primarily due to financial and organizational problems which the national authorities and the Organization's Governing Bodies are endeavoring to overcome.

4. To request the Director-General of WHO, when preparing the Sixth General Program of Work of that Organization, to take into account the Ten-Year Health Plan for the Americas, since it contains more specific and definite objectives.

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CSP19.R12 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having examined Document CSP19/17, Rev. 1, containing certain resolutions of the Fifty-third Session of the Executive Board of WHO and the Twenty-seventh World Health Assembly,1 presented to the Conference as the WHO Regional Committee for the Americas; and

Bearing in mind the information furnished by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau on the activities being carried out in the respective fields,

Resolves:

1. To take note of the resolutions of the Executive Board of WHO and the World Health Assembly contained in Document CSP19/17, Rev. 1.
2. To transmit to the Director-General of WHO the information on the activities being carried out with reference to these matters in the Region.
3. To request the Director of the Bureau to continue to provide the country health authorities, in coordination with WHO, with the aid they need in order to intensify and expand their activities in the specific fields referred to in the aforementioned resolutions.

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CSP19.R13 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having taken note of Resolution EB53.R38 of the Executive Board of WHO and Resolutions WHA27.27 and WHA 27.281 of the Twenty-seventh World Health Assembly; and

Bearing in mind the importance of health education in enlisting the effective support of the community for health programs,

Resolves:

1. To recommend to the Governments that they introduce the teaching and practice of health education in schools at all levels, from primary to university.
2. To request the Director to provide assistance to the countries that request it.

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CSP19.R14 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having examined the Director's report on control of the bacteriologic quality of drinking water (Document CSP19/25),

Resolves:

1. To urge the Governments to give greater attention to the bacteriologic quality of drinking water.
2. To recommend to the Governments that they make special efforts to attain adequate treatment and disinfection, effective operation and maintenance, establishment of a suitable infrastructure, development of water quality indices, and creation of monitoring and surveillance services.
3. To request the Director of the Bureau to assist the countries in strengthening their water quality control programs, including training and technical assistance in connection with water management, improvement of laboratory capabilities, collection and analysis of epidemiological data, sanitary surveys, and water treatment and disinfection.

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CSP19.R15 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having examined the Director's report (Document CSP 19/24) on the progress made and the measures adopted by the countries and the Organization pursuant to the provisions of Resolutions XIII of the XXI Meeting of the Directing Council and VI of the XXII Meeting and Resolution XX of the 72nd Meeting of the Executive Committee of PAHO;

Recognizing that achievement of the goals of the Ten-Year Health Plan for the Americas requires that the policies and strategies decided upon by the countries be put into practice by means of programs and actions based on the health priorities identified; and

Considering that in 1974 a start is to be made on implementing the system for evaluation of the Ten-Year Health Plan for the Americas and that the Director of the Bureau has placed at the disposal of the countries, on the recommendation of the Governing Bodies of the Organization, guidelines for the review and adjustment of national policies and strategies, together with a series of forms and accompanying instructions so as to ensure comparability among the different countries in regard to evaluation of the Plan at the Hemisphere-wide level,

Resolves:

1. To urge those countries which have not yet been able to review their health policies and strategies in the light of the Ten-Year Health Plan for the Americas to intensify their efforts to do so, and those which have done so to concentrate on the process of programming and implementing the priority programs decided upon.
2. To request the Member Governments, with a view to establishing an initial point of reference for subsequent stages in the process of evaluating the Ten-Year Health Plan for the Americas, to forward the necessary information to PAHO in good time on the forms designed for this purpose by the Organization.
3. To request the Director to assist the countries, at their request, in producing and organizing the information in question, and to take steps to enable the Organization to analyze and systematize this information.

4. To urge the Director to continue to assist the countries in developing these processes and to report to the XXIII Meeting of the Directing Council on the progress made.

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CSP19.R16 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having examined the Financial Report of the Director and the Report of the External Auditor for the fiscal year 1973 (Official Document 128);

Noting the modifications in expenditures from amounts originally budgeted for some activities and projects; and

Recognizing that the Organization continues to be in a sound financial condition,

Resolves:

1. To take note of the Financial Report of the Director and the Report of the External Auditor for fiscal year 1973 (Official Document 128).
2. To again commend the Director for having achieved and maintained a sound financial condition.

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CSP19.R17 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having studied the report of the Director on the form of presentation of the program and budget of PAHO (Document CSP19/19) and the recommendation of the Executive Committee,

Resolves:

To request the Director to present future program and budget estimates following the nomenclature used by the III Special Meeting of Ministers of Health of the Americas and adopted by the Organization in Resolution XIII of the XXI Meeting of the Directing Council, using as a guide the draft outline contained in Document CSP19/19.

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CSP19.R18 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Resolves:

1.	To appropriate for the financial year 1975 an amount of \$27,440,160, as follows:	
Part I:	Program of services	\$10,250,506
Part II:	Development of infrastructure ...	8,256,899
Part III:	Administrative direction	3,929,614
Part IV:	Governing Bodies	416,000
Part V:	Increase to assets	550,000
Part VI:	Special Fund for Health Promotion	<u>250,000</u>
	Effective working budget (Parts I-VI)	<u>\$23,653,019</u>
Part VII:	Staff assessment (transfer to Tax Equalization Fund)	<u>3,787,141</u>
	Total all parts	<u>\$27,440,160</u>
2.	That the appropriation shall be financed from:	
a)	Assessment in respect to: Member Governments and Participat- ing Governments assessed under the scale adopted by the General Assembly of the Organization of American States in accordance with Article 60 of the Pan American Sanitary Code or in accordance with Directing Council resolutions	\$27,040,160
b)	Miscellaneous income	<u>400,000</u>
	Total	<u>\$27,440,160</u>

In establishing the contributions of Member Governments and Participating Governments, their assessments shall be reduced further by the amount standing to the credit in the Tax Equalization Fund, except that credits of those Governments that levy taxes on the emoluments received from the Pan American Health Organization by their nationals and residents shall be reduced by the amounts of such tax reimbursements by PAHO.

3. That, in accordance with the Financial Regulations of PAHO, amounts not exceeding the appropriations noted under paragraph 1 shall be available for the payment of obligations incurred during the period 1 January to 31 December 1975, inclusive. Notwithstanding the provision of this paragraph, obligations during the financial year 1975 shall be limited to the effective working budget, i.e., Parts I-VI.

4. That the Director shall be authorized to transfer credits between parts of the effective working budget, provided that such transfers of credits between parts as are made do not exceed 10 per cent of the part from which the credit is transferred. Transfers of credits between parts of the budget in excess of 10 per cent of the part from which the credit is transferred may be made with the concurrence of the Executive Committee. All transfers of budget credits shall be reported to the Directing Council and/or the Conference.

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CSP19.R19 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having examined Official Document 129 submitted by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, which contains the provisional draft that is to constitute the basis for the preparation of the proposed program and budget estimates of the Pan American Health Organization for 1976 to be considered by the 74th Meeting of the Executive Committee and by the XXIII Meeting of the Directing Council;

Recognizing that the provisional draft of the proposed program and budget estimates for 1976 contains much-needed projects formulated in cooperation with the national authorities; and,

Recognizing also the increasing demands being placed on the resources of the Member Governments and the need for a period of consolidation,

Resolves:

1. To take note of the provisional draft of the proposed program and budget estimates of the Pan American Health Organization for 1976 contained in Official Document 129.
2. To request the Director to use the provisional draft as a basis for the preparation of the proposed program and budget estimates for 1976, after further consultations with the Governments to determine their latest desires and requirements in relation to the health priorities of the countries.
3. To request, further, that the Director reexamine the proposed estimates for 1976 with a view to identifying additional areas where economies can be made so as to reduce the percentage increase requested for 1976.
4. To request the Executive Committee to make a detailed examination of the revised program and budget estimates for 1976 to be presented by the Director, after further consultations with the Governments, and to submit its recommendations thereon to the XXIII Meeting of the Directing Council.

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CSP19.R20 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having considered Official Document 129 submitted by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, which contains the proposed program and budget estimates of the World Health Organization for the Region of the Americas for 1976, and Document CSP19/10, which provides the projections for 1977;

Bearing in mind that the proposed program and budget estimates are submitted to the Conference as Regional Committee of the World Health Organization for the Americas for review and transmittal to the Director-General of WHO so that he may take them into account in preparing the program and budget estimates of WHO for 1976-1977; and

Noting the recommendations of the 72nd Meeting of the Executive Committee,

Resolves:

To approve the proposed program and budget estimates of the World Health Organization for the Region of the Americas for 1976-1977 appearing in Official

Document 129 and Document CSP19/10, and to request the Regional Director to transmit them to the Director-General of WHO so that he may take them into account in preparing the WHO program and budget estimates for 1976-1977.

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CSP19.R21 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having considered the proposed program and budget estimates of the World Health Organization for the Region of the Americas for 1976 and 1977 (Document CSP19/20); and

Recognizing the advisability of projecting probable program needs into future years,

Resolves:

To recommend to the Director-General that he include in the program and budget estimates of the World Health Organization for 1978 and 1979 the proposed program for the Region of the Americas as detailed in Document CSP19/20.

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CSP19.R22 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Considering the revision made in the schedule of salaries of the professional and higher categories of staff in graded posts, effective as of 1 January 1974;

Bearing in mind the action taken by the Executive Committee at its 72nd Meeting to adjust the salaries of the Deputy Director and the Assistant Director;

Having noted the recommendation of the Executive Committee concerning the salary of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau; and

Taking into account the provisions of Staff Rule 230.3,

Resolves:

1. To establish the salary of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau at US\$34,550 per annum, effective as of 1 January 1974.
2. To note that consequent upon the adjustment of the salary rate for the Director appropriate revision will be made of the post adjustment rate.

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CSP19.R23 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having considered Resolution WHA27.311 of the Twenty-seventh World Health Assembly, which stresses the importance of continuing education in maintaining and upgrading the professional competence of health personnel; and

Bearing in mind that the entire process should be closely related to health and manpower planning and to schemes for the regionalization of services, designed to extend health sector coverage in accordance with the goals of the Ten-Year Health Plan for the Americas,

Resolves:

1. To request the Director to take the necessary steps for cooperation with the Governments in their efforts to plan, implement, and improve the machinery for keeping health personnel permanently up to date through:
 - a) The development of educational methods, techniques, and materials for achieving greater efficiency in the continuing education process.
 - b) The further training of personnel to develop continuing education.
 - c) The promotion of national or regional experimental programs in continuing education.

- d) The creation of regional centers for implementing the recommendations.
2. To recommend that those Governments with experience in continuing education make their experience available to the Pan American Health Organization so that it can be transmitted to all the countries.
 3. To recommend to the Governments that they integrate their continuing education programs into the manpower development plans under their National Health Plans and establish machinery for coordination between the Ministries of Health and teaching institutions with a view to programming and implementing these activities.
 4. To ask the Director to make periodic evaluations of the program and report his findings to the Governing Bodies.

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CSP19.R24 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having studied Resolutions WHA27.49 and WHA27.501 of the Twenty-seventh World Health Assembly on the WHO Human Health and Environment Program.

Bearing in mind the importance of the environment for individual and community health; and

Recognizing the considerable support given by PAHO to country programs designed to improve the environment;

Resolves:

1. To request the Director to intensify his collaboration with the countries in their environmental health programs, both through direct advisory services and through the training and further training of staff.
2. To request the Director to continue the Bureau's efforts to secure resources from other international agencies and institutions in order to provide stimulation and support for expanded environmental programs in the countries.

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CSP19.R25 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having noted Resolution WHA27.521 of the Twenty-seventh World Health Assembly on the intensification of research on tropical parasitic diseases; and

Recognizing that parasitic diseases continue to be a serious threat to the health and life of the peoples of the Americas,

Resolves:

1. To recommend to the countries that they endeavor to pay increased attention to the study of parasitic diseases.
2. To urge the health authorities to promote further research, especially applied research, with a view toward improving the control of parasitic diseases.
3. To request the Director to cooperate with the countries by encouraging the training of epidemiologists specialized in parasitic diseases.

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CSP19.R26 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having studied the XXII Report of the Director of the Bureau on the status of malaria eradication in the Americas (Document CSP19/16);

Taking into account the targets set in the Ten-Year Health Plan for the Americas;

Recognizing the efforts made and the funds invested since the initiation of the coordinated campaign for malaria eradication;

Noting that in some countries the goal of eradication has been achieved, or is in sight, while in the others progress has been hampered by financial, administrative, operational, and technical difficulties;

Considering that malaria still constitutes a major public health problem, especially in areas where economic development projects such as agricultural

colonization and construction of highways, irrigation canals, and dams are being carried out; and

Bearing in mind Resolution WHA27.511 of the Twenty-seventh World Health Assembly, which calls for a review of the problem and of national and international priorities in line with the revised strategy adopted by the Twenty-second World Health Assembly,²

Resolves:

1. To take note of the XXII Report of the Director on the status of malaria eradication in the Americas (Document CSP19/16).
2. To reaffirm the targets contained in the Ten-Year Health Plan for the Americas and to urge the Governments to continue their efforts and provide the essential resources for attaining them.
3. To recommend to the Governments and the Director that they study thoroughly the problems that are hampering progress and reexamine the priority of the program in order to determine its future strategy, and that they request the forthcoming Meeting of Directors of the National Malaria Eradication Services to propose effective measures for implementation of the foregoing recommendation.
4. To request the Governments and the Director to intensify research activities aimed at solving the problems that stand in the way of attaining the objective of the program.
5. To express its concern over the slow progress of the program in some countries and to urge the Governments in question to increase their efforts to eliminate or reduce obstacles by giving particular attention to adequate and timely financing and efficient program administration.
6. To ask the Bureau to take measures with a view to ensuring sources of materials needed for properly carrying out the programs, such as insecticides, equipment, etc.
7. To once again emphasize the importance of coordinating antimalaria activities in border areas, especially between countries with different levels of malaria endemicity.

CSP19.R27 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having considered the report of the Award Committee of the PAHO Award for Administration, which states that no candidates were proposed (Document CSP19/26 and Add.);

Bearing in mind the criteria established for granting the PAHO Award for Administration; and

Considering the importance of encouraging a high level of competence in the administration of health services,

Resolves:

1. To declare the PAHO Award for Administration for 1974 void.
2. To modify the procedure and criteria for the PAHO Award for Administration, eliminating the restrictions in the regulations so that it can be made in any year, either for work carried out in the field of administration or for written work on administrative topics applicable to this sector.
3. To urge the Governments to make use of the PAHO Award for Administration to provide a stimulus for administrative officials in the health sector.

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CSP19.R28 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Taking into account the goals set forth in the Ten-Year Health Plan for the Americas;

Bearing in mind that efficient nursing services are one of the principal means of providing health care, and that consequently their availability in quantity and quality directly affects the achievement of many health program goals; and

Considering the complexity of the problem confronting health authorities to provide patients with a level of safe nursing care as called for in these goals,

Resolves:

1. To recommend to Governments that they reexamine the nursing manpower situation in relation to:
 - a) The needs of the services in order to achieve the goals;
 - b) The trend toward an increase in nursing positions since the beginning of the 1970 decade;
 - c) Actual nursing manpower production, its utilization, and the health system's capacity for absorption; and
 - d) The compatibility of the curriculum content with the functions performed by nursing personnel in the health services.
2. To urge the Governments to intensify their efforts in this field, to take the necessary measures to establish the nursing positions required in order to deliver the health care called for in the goals, and to increase nursing manpower production, primarily of personnel providing direct care to individuals, through the creation and strengthening of nursing education programs, the stepped-up training of such personnel, and provision of the resources needed.
3. To request the Director to review the assistance the Organization can give the countries to carry out the foregoing effort and to report to the XXIII Meeting of the Directing Council on the progress made by the countries as of that date.

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CSP19.R29 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having considered Document CSP19/28 on the Coordination of International Cooperation in the Field of Health in the Americas;

Bearing in mind Chapter II, Article 2, paragraphs a and b, of the Constitution of the World Health Organization; and

Noting the need to establish a mechanism and a procedure for the direction and coordination of external assistance in health which truly reflect the will of the Governments concerned, on the one hand, and the readiness of PAHO/WHO and other international and bilateral agencies to comply efficiently with the mandates of the Governments, on the other,

Resolves:

1. To recommend to the Member Governments that they:
 - a) Strengthen their own internal mechanisms for directing and coordinating their own activities and those connected with external cooperation in the health field; and
 - b) Take into account the services of PAHO/WHO in providing technical and administrative support to the established national mechanisms and procedures for coordinating international cooperation in health.
2. To instruct the Director of the Bureau, within the framework of the policy laid down by the Organization, to intensify efforts to provide the Member Governments that so request it with assistance in perfecting the health planning process as part of their overall planning; with this in view a system of periodic meetings should be programmed with each country so requesting, at which the Governments would indicate their external technical assistance needs bearing in mind national health policies, strategies, and programs.
3. To request the Director to submit to the 74th Meeting of the Executive Committee the program referred to in paragraph 2, including the relevant estimate of the technical and financial resources required to implement it, and to report on the progress made in light of the initial experience in the matter.

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CSP19.R30 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having studied Document CSP19/9, Annex III, on amendments to the Staff Regulations of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau;

Considering the recommendation made by the Executive Committee at its 72nd Meeting in Resolution XV; and

Bearing in mind the provisions of Staff Regulation 12.1,

Resolves:

To approve the amendments to Articles 1.2, 1.11, 4.4, 4.5, 4.6, 6.1, and 9.5 of the Staff Regulations of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau as presented by the Director in Document CSP19/9, Annex III.

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CSP19.R31 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having studied Document CSP19/30 relating to the Zone Boards of Appeal; and

Bearing in mind the provisions of Staff Regulation 12.2,

Resolves:

1. To maintain the status quo of the Zone Boards of Appeal.
2. To endorse the recommendation that this matter be reviewed in the future as to the need and function of Zone Boards of Appeal.

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CSP19.R32 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Bearing in mind Resolution EB51.R431 of the Fifty-first Session of the Executive Board of WHO and Resolution XXV of the XXII Meeting of the Directing Council of PAHO; and

Having heard the report presented by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau on assistance to the Government of Nicaragua in connection with the earthquake which struck the city of Managua in December 1972 (Document CSP19/21),

Resolves:

1. To take note of the progress in the planning of health establishments in Nicaragua for the construction of the General Hospital and the National Health Center of Managua.
2. To request the Director to continue to support the efforts being made by the Government of Nicaragua to ensure that these projects materialize.

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CSP19.R33 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having examined the programs for medical and nursing textbooks and for basic equipment for medical students (Document CSP19/31);

Bearing in mind the value and importance of these programs for the training of health professionals of the Americas;

Noting that these programs are being carried out in fulfillment of the policy established in Resolution XV of the XVII Pan American Sanitary Conference (1966); and

Recognizing the demonstrated feasibility of these programs and their potential for expansion if capital is available,

Resolves:

1. To once again emphasize the importance of the textbook and basic equipment programs in medical and nursing training and the need for expansion of these programs to serve the greatest possible number of students throughout Latin America.

2. To thank the Pan American Health and Education Foundation (PAHEF) for its cooperation with the Pan American Health Organization in carrying out these programs.
3. To thank the Inter-American Development Bank for its initial loan to finance the medical textbook program.
4. To commend the Director for his initiative and to instruct him to enter into negotiations with the Inter-American Development Bank and other agencies to obtain additional financial support for the programs, directly or through PAHEF, and to present any resulting loan plan or draft agreement to the Executive Committee of PAHO for approval.
5. To authorize the Executive Committee to approve the loan plan if it is satisfied that the terms are the best available, including the pledging of PAHO assets as necessary to guarantee such a loan.

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CSP19.R34 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having considered the Final Report of the VII Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Control (Document CSP19/18); and

Bearing in mind the need for the Governments to undertake special studies on the nutritional aspects of the production of food of animal origin, to carry out surveys to determine the economic impact of cysticercosis-teniasis, to plan for improved training facilities for animal health assistants, and to upgrade inspection services at slaughterhouses and meat processing plants,

Resolves:

1. To take note of the Final Report of the VII Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Control (Document CSP19/18).

2. To commend the Ministries of Agriculture for the efforts they have made in the control of diseases of importance to human and animal health, which ultimately have great bearing on socioeconomic development.
3. To express its appreciation to the Ministries of Agriculture and of Health for their cooperative efforts toward the more effective use of common resources in these undertakings.

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CSP19.R35 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Bearing in mind the achievement of Dr. Abraham Horwitz as Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, which will remain as a perennial example of noble zeal and devotion to the cause of health of the peoples of the Americas; and

Considering that the term of office of Dr. Abraham Horwitz is due to end on 1 February 1975, and that his work has earned the gratitude, affection, and admiration not only of the Pan American Health Organization but of all the countries in the Hemisphere as well,

Resolves:

1. To designate Dr. Abraham Horwitz Director Emeritus of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.
2. To recommend to the XXIII Meeting of the Directing Council that it present to Dr. Abraham Horwitz at an official ceremony a scroll confirming this designation.
3. To present Dr. Abraham Horwitz with a gold medal bearing his effigy on the obverse and on the reverse a centered inscription, "Abraham Horwitz, Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, 1959-1975," bordered by the words "In recognition of his work on behalf of the health of the American Continent."
4. To authorize the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to earmark the necessary funds under the budget for this purpose

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CSP19.R36 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having considered the report of the Director on the authority of the Executive Committee to address itself directly to Governments (Document CSP19/11);

Noting the long and consistent practice by the Executive Committee in the use of this attribute; and

Bearing in mind the provision contained in Article 14, paragraph E, of the Constitution of PAHO,

Resolves:

1. To take note that the report on the authority of the Executive Committee to address itself directly to Governments submitted by the Director (Document CSP19/11) confirms the legal and juridical validity of this practice.
2. To reaffirm its support of the practice followed by the Executive Committee in the past in regard to technical matters already approved by the Directing Council or the Conference.

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CSP19.R37 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Recognizing the importance of 1975 as International Women's Year and the interest expressed by many of the Member Governments in participation therein;

Noting the official emblem adopted for the International Women's Year, consisting of a stylized dove, the biological symbol for woman, and the mathematical sign for equality, which will be used on posters, banners, mastheads, postage stamps, and other material connected with the activities of the International Women's Year;

Recognizing the importance of equality of women and men in all facets of human life but especially in the working environment;

Recognizing the importance of women in the promotion of peace, economic and social development plans, and population programs; and

Noting the need to improve the status of women in developed and developing countries alike,

Resolves:

1. To endorse the emphasis given by the United Nations, in declaring 1975 International Women's Year, to the role of women in society and to the contribution they can make to the political, economic, and social sectors, including that of health.
2. To call attention to the importance of including women in policy-formulating positions and when appointing public health administrators and other health officials in both international and national health programs.
3. To urge the Governments to undertake education programs designed to encourage acceptance of the changing role of women.
4. To request the Director of the Bureau to report to the 74th Meeting of the Executive Committee and the XXIII Meeting of the Directing Council on action underway to promote the participation of women in the activities of the Organization generally and in relation to International Women's Year specifically.

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CSP19.R38 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having considered the Final Report¹ of the Technical Discussions on "Studies and Strategies to Reduce Morbidity and Mortality from Enteric Infections" held during the present meeting (Document CSP19/DT/10);

Recognizing the importance and magnitude of the problem of enteric infections in most countries of the Americas; and

Considering the objectives set forth in the Ten-Year Health Plan for the Americas,

Resolves:

1. To take note of the Final Report of the Technical Discussions and to express its satisfaction with the deliberations.
2. To thank the members of the technical panel for their participation in the Technical Discussions.
3. To recommend to the Director of the Bureau that this report and the corresponding working papers be given the widest possible dissemination.
4. To recommend to Governments that, in order to achieve the goals of the Ten-Year Health Plan, they endeavor:
 - a) To increase the coverage of programs for water supply, proper disposal of excreta, vector control, and improvement in the preparation, handling, and preservation of foodstuffs.
 - b) To achieve coordination in the harmonious development of programs for the timely and effective prevention and treatment of enteric infections.
 - c) To promote the development of sound educational systems which will serve as motivation for continuing community participation in the control of such infections.
5. To recommend to the countries that they establish epidemiologic surveillance systems and laboratories for the diagnosis of enteric diseases, setting up national reference centers and a regional reference center.

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CSP19.R39 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having examined the report on the Program of Mental Health, Alcoholism, and Drug Abuse (Document CSP19/27);

Bearing in mind the importance of psychiatric disorders as a public health problem, frequently causing prolonged illness and also tending to become causal or auxiliary factors in violent deaths;

Considering that much of the illness observed results from failure to take preventive action and that in general the problem has not been given due priority or adequate resources; and

Considering the terms of Resolution XXII adopted by the Executive Committee on this topic at its 70th Meeting, and the objectives of the Ten-Year Health Plan for the Americas,

Resolves:

1. To recommend that in each country the national bodies for data registration strive to improve statistical information on mental health, thus permitting establishment of a system of "epidemiologic control," and that a mental health policy be formulated as part of long-term planning and supervision of the implementation of the policies and plans agreed upon.
2. To recommend to the Member Governments that they endeavor to correct the defects inherent in the traditional system of psychiatric care so that prompt and continuing attention can be provided on the spot based on the integration of psychiatric care into the general health services on a regional basis and the greater use of non-medical resources in the community.
3. To recommend to the countries that they give particular attention to the preparation of specialized psychiatric personnel as well as to adequate training in the general principles of psychiatry for all health sciences personnel so that they are able to participate effectively in preventive and therapeutic work.
4. To recommend to the Governments that they give due priority to resources for research studies designed to provide useful data for evaluating the mental health needs of their peoples and that they put into operation centers for research and study on specific problems such as alcoholism, drug dependency and psychiatric disorders of early childhood and old age and those related to delinquency.
5. To request the Director of the Bureau to endeavor to expand collaboration with the countries on mental health programs.

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CSP19.R40 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having studied the report of the Working Group on Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries established by the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Program (Document CSP19/29); and

Having taken note of the information supplied by the Director of PASB on the activities undertaken to foster mutual cooperation among the countries of the Americas in regard both to the use of experts and to the training of personnel,

Resolves:

1. To recommend to the Director that, in accordance with the policy followed by the Organization as described in Document CSP19/29, he endeavor to comply with the requests of the countries for technical advice, using as far as possible the services of qualified personnel from within the Hemisphere.
2. To request the Director to take the necessary steps to ensure that PASB gives its full support to the teaching centers in the Hemisphere so that they may expand their educational work at the national and international levels.
3. To recommend to the Governments that they continue to take advantage of the wealth of experience and knowledge possessed by experts from the Member Countries in order to assist countries that so request in the solution of problems calling for highly specialized technology.

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CSP19.R41 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Bearing in mind the provisions of Rule 9 of the Rules for Technical Discussions,

Resolves:

To select the topic "Methodologies for the Formulation of National Food and Nutrition Policies and Their Intersectoral Implementation" for the Technical Discussions at the XXIII Meeting of the Directing Council, XXVII Meeting of the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization for the Americas.

CSP19.R42 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Having examined Resolution V approved by the Executive Committee at its 72nd Meeting and the report prepared by the Director (Document CSP19/23), in which two alternatives are proposed for fulfilling the objectives set forth in that resolution;

Bearing in mind the need for the countries to strengthen and develop intra- and intersectoral cooperation for ensuring the coordination of health schemes that is indispensable in order to improve their efficiency and effectiveness;

Recognizing, as a consequence, that the Ten-Year Health Plan for the Americas for the period 1981-1990 should be intersectoral in approach; and

Considering that attainment of the foregoing objective implies a long and complex process in which action should be carefully programmed by stages, with active participation by the countries and adequate support by the Organization,

Resolves:

1. To reaffirm the need for the Governments to make every possible effort to strengthen intrasectoral coordination in health and develop intersectoral cooperation in striving to attain the national health goals.
2. To urge the countries and the Organization to orient their programming activities in the health sector in such a way that the Third Ten-Year Health Plan for the Americas, 1981-1990, is developed on the basis of intersectoral cooperation.
3. To request the Director to give all necessary assistance to Governments, in achieving the foregoing objectives and, in addition to such support activities in this regard as he may agree upon with the Governments, to convene a working group made up of representatives from the Ministries of Health and the national economic and social planning units with a view to defining the most suitable criteria and methods for guiding the activities of the countries in their efforts to

achieve the objectives proposed, and to make suitable provision in the PAHO budget to this purpose.

4. To request the Director to inform the Directing Council on the progress of the activities programmed.

5. To request the Directing Council, on the basis of the Director's report, to reach a decision on the advisability of holding an Intersectoral Technical Meeting in the city of Buenos Aires, as proposed by the Executive Committee, prior to the IV Special Meeting of the Ministers of Health of the Americas.

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CSP19.R43 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Recognizing that serious emergencies occur frequently in the countries as a result of natural disasters, epidemics, and other circumstances;

Considering that it is essential for the countries to have a strong national organization in order to coordinate national and international resources in emergencies and make the most effective possible use thereof;

Recognizing the need to train personnel specializing in the type of care required in emergencies; and

Bearing in mind that PASB is called upon to coordinate in conjunction with the United Nations Disaster Relief Office and the OAS Inter-American Emergency Aid Fund, and the national organizations, action taken by agencies and countries for the relief of the victims of disasters,

Resolves:

1. To recommend to the countries that they establish, on a permanent basis, national organizations responsible for ensuring the establishment of preventive measures against disasters and coordinating the action of all interested national institutions, public and private.

2. To urge the Director to strengthen the PASB unit concerned with emergencies and set up a standing committee to furnish support and advisory services, with responsibility for devising and keeping up to date a plan of action for

emergencies which would include machinery to enable each country to make use of international aid from various sources so as to obtain maximum results.

3. To recommend to the Bureau that it continue to conduct seminars and courses on the organization of emergency care.

4. To request the Director to strengthen relations between PAHO and the aforementioned United Nations and OAS bodies, as well as the International Red Cross, with a view to providing increasingly effective aid when disasters occur.

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CSP19.R44 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Considering it desirable to study ways of ensuring that the Technical Discussions produce the best results for the Member States,

Resolves:

1. To ask the Director of the Bureau to include this subject among the topics to be discussed at the 74th Meeting of the Executive Committee.

2. To instruct the Executive Committee to study all aspects of the Technical Discussions, particularly those relating to the procedures used in conducting them, and to report thereon to the XXIII Meeting of the Directing Council, XXVII Meeting of the Regional Committee of WHO for the Americas, with a view to a decision being taken on the matter.

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CSP19.R45 The XIX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

Considering that the establishment of blood banks and centers for the collection of blood and plasma fractions is a serious problem in the Americas that calls for special attention and study;

Recognizing that for this reason there is an urgent need for adequate knowledge on the needs of the countries in the Region, including the requirements for whole blood and blood fractions in each country, and in particular, the availability of

the various products such as gamma globulin, albumin, antihemophilic factor, etc. the possibilities of satisfying the needs, and the problem of costs; and

Bearing in mind that within this framework it would be desirable to make a thorough study of the technical problems deriving from the establishment of blood collection centers, with a sufficiently high standard to guarantee the health of the donor and the quality of the blood and plasma collected,

Resolves:

1. To urge the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to arrange for a study on the demand for and availability of blood and blood derivatives in the Region of the Americas.
2. To recommend to the Director that he present to the Executive Committee, at its 74th Meeting, the result of the study undertaken, together with a plan of action in the event that problems should arise from the study at the Regional level.

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