RESOLUTIONS

CE90.R1  The Executive Committee,

Having examined the report presented by the Director on the study of the functions of the Area Offices of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau (Document CE90/11);

Bearing in mind Resolution XII of the XXVIII Meeting of the Directing Council and Resolution XVI of the XXI Pan American Sanitary Conference on this subject; and

Mindful of the provisions of the Regional Plan of Action outlining the need to increase the operating capacity of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to support national and regional processes

Resolves:

1. To commend the Director for the study contained in Document CE90/11.

2. To transmit the study of the functions of the Area Offices of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau (Document CE90/11) to the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council.

3. To recommend to the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council that it adopt the following resolution:
THE XXIX MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having examined the report presented by the Director on the Study of the Functions of the Area Offices of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau (Document CD29/);

Recalling Resolutions XII of the XXVIII Meeting of the Directing Council and XVI of the XXI Pan American Sanitary Conference; and

Mindful of the provision of the Regional Plan of Action: Health for All by the Year 2000, to increase the operating capacity of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to support national and regional processes,

RESOLVES:

1. To thank the Director for the study of the functions of the Area Offices of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau (Document CD29/).

2. To approve the Director's recommendation in this study that the Area Offices be eliminated with effect from 1 January 1984, as well as the measures proposed for accomplishing this end, including the administrative actions and their implementation schedule, as set forth in Document CD29/.

3. To recommend to the Director that he initiate negotiations with the countries which Area Officers are located to review and conclude new Basic Agreements for the establishment of Country Representative Offices, similar to the agreements in effect with other Member Governments of the Organization.

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CE90.R2 The Executive Committee,

Having considered the report of the Director on the collection of quota contributions (Document CE90/24 and Add. I);
Noting that, of the three Member Governments with approved payment plans for liquidating their arrears, only one country had made a partial payment as of the date of issuance of Addendum I to Document CE90/24;

Bearing in mind the provisions of Article 6.B of the Constitution of PAHO relating to the suspension of voting privileges of Governments failing to meet their financial obligations;

Considering the importance of prompt and full payment of quota contributions to assure the financing of the authorized program and budget and to maintain the Organization in a sound financial position; and

Taking into consideration the findings and recommendations of the Director's study on the constitutional and regulatory provisions governing the payment of quota contributions in WHO and PAHO,

Resolves:

1. To take note of the report of the Director on the collection of quota contributions (Document CE90/24 and Add. I).

2. To thank the Governments that have already made payments in 1983, and to urge other Governments to pay their current quotas as early as possible in the year they are due so that the work of the Organization can continue and the financial burden of its program can be spread fairly among all Members.

3. To thank the Director for completing the study on quota payments requested at the 88th Meeting of the Executive Committee and to accept the recommendations contained therein.

4. To request the Director to continue to inform the Governments of any balances due, and to report to the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council on the status of the collection of quota contributions.¹

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CE90.R3 The Executive Committee,
Having examined the Interim Financial Report of the Director for the year 1982 (Official Document 189); and

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

**Resolves:**


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**CE90.R4** The Executive Committee,

Considering Document CE90/17, which examined the question of the distribution of the financial resources of PAHO, the presentation by the Working Group which prepared that document, and the ensuing discussion; and

Bearing in mind Resolutions XVI of the XXVIII Meeting of the Directing Council and XIV of the XXI Pan American Sanitary Conference, which requested the Director to study the allocation of PAHO budget resources among Member Countries,

**Resolves:**

1. To recommend to Member Countries that they continue examining the study recommendations prior to the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council.

2. To recommend to the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council that it adopt the following resolution:

THE XXIX MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,
Having considered Document CD29/ which examines the question of the distribution of the financial resources of PAHO, and having heard the presentation from the Executive Committee on this subject;

Bearing in mind Resolutions XVI of the XXVIII Meeting of the Directing Council and XIV of the XXI Pan American Sanitary Conference, which requested the Director to study the allocation of PAHO budget resources among Member Countries; and

Noting the recommendations made by the 90th Meeting of the Executive Committee,

RESOLVES:

1. To note the report on the distribution of the financial resources of PAHO (Document CD29/).

2. To thank the Director and the task force for the detailed and revealing study and the Executive Committee for its careful review of this matter.

3. To urge the Director to take into account the recommendations contained in the study and the observations made during the discussions of the Executive Committee for establishing planning ceilings for the 1986-1987 country program budget, including the importance of regional and national priorities as expressed in the Regional Strategies and the Plan of Action to attain the objective of health for all by the year 2000, governmental commitment, the absorptive capacity of the national administrations, and special situations, in addition to the appropriate quantitative indicators.

4. To urge the Director to continue to examine this question periodically, and particularly to review, with the participation of the Member Countries, the appropriate factors in light of the different and changing circumstances within the Region.

5. To ask the Director to include in the report on the 1986-1987 program budget to the 94th Meeting of the Executive Committee an analysis of the impact of this study on the distribution of resources contained within the proposed budget.
CE90.R5 The Executive Committee,

Having considered the amendments to the Staff Rules of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau submitted by the Director in the Annex to Document CE90/3;

Recognizing the need for uniformity of conditions of employment of PASB and WHO staff;

Bearing in mind the provision of Staff Rule 020;

Mindful of the Director's recommendation to introduce the end of service grant with effect from 1 July 1983; and

Bearing in mind that the Area Offices will probably be eliminated by the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council with effect from 1 January 1984, as proposed in Resolution 1 of this meeting of the Executive Committee,

Resolves:

1. To confirm the amendments to the Staff Rules of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau submitted by the Director in the Annex to Document CE90/3, with effect from 1 January 1983.

2. To confirm the introduction into the Staff Rules of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau of the following Rule 375, with effect from 1 July 1983:

375. END-OF-SERVICE GRANT

A staff member holding a fixed-term appointment whose appointment is not renewed after he has completed ten years of continuous qualifying service shall be entitled to a grant based on his years of service unless he has either received and declined an offer of renewal of his appointment or has reached 60 years of age. The amount of the grant shall be fixed according to the schedule in Rule 1050.4 for termination of temporary fixed-term appointments.

3. To confirm the amendments to Staff Rules 380.2.1, 655.2.3, and 750.2 to include a reference to the end-of-service grant.
4. To authorize the Director to make the necessary changes in Staff Rule 1230.2, with effect from 1 January 1984, in the event that the Area Offices are eliminated, without prejudice to the subsequent presentation of these amendments to the 92nd Meeting of the Executive Committee.

*June 1983 OD 190, 33*

**CE90.R6**  The Executive Committee,

Having examined the provisional agenda (Document CD29/1) prepared by the Director for the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council of PAHO, XXXV Meeting of the Regional Committee of WHO for the Americas, presented as Annex to Document CE90/8, Rev. 1; and


**Resolves:**

To approve the provisional agenda (Document CD29/1) prepared by the Director for the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council of PAHO, XXXV Meeting of the Regional Committee of WHO for the Americas, with the addition of a new item "The Role of Nursing Personnel in Primary Health Care."

*June 1983 OD 190, 34*

**Note:** The 92nd Meeting of the Executive Committee, in its sixth plenary session (held 27 June 1984), decided to approve the provisional agenda (Document CD31/1) prepared by the Director for the XXX Meeting of the Directing Council of PAHO, XXXVI Meeting of the Regional Committee of WHO for the Americas, after the introduction of several modifications proposed during the discussion of this matter, but did not approve a resolution in that regard.
CE90.R7 The Executive Committee,

Noting that the Special Subcommittee on Women in Health and Development, in compliance with Resolution XXVII of the XXI Pan American Sanitary Conference, met to monitor the program and review achievements; and

Having reviewed the report of the Special Subcommittee on Women in Health and Development (Document CE90/5, Add. 1).

Resolves:

To recommend to the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council that it approve the following resolution:

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Recognizing the important roles played by women both in the home and at the work place;

Considering that the Organization has the capability to provide greater leadership and guidance in the design and implementation of activities related to women, health and development;

Concerned with the slow rate of progress achieved in the implementation of the Plan of Action on Women, Health and Development; and

Recognizing that success in attaining the goals of the Five-Year Plan of Action on Women, Health and Development is largely dependent on the full participation of the Member Countries,

RESOLVES:

1. To urge the Member Governments to:

   a) Establish more effective mechanisms for the promotion and recognition of women's roles in health and development;

   b) Strengthen national policies and programs for the protection and improvement of women's health both in the regulated and unregulated sectors of the economy, and particularly with regard to the health and safety of women in the work place;
c) Strengthen programs for the prevention, early detection and treatment of diseases such as breast and cervical cancer, peculiar to women in their reproductive role;

d) Increase the participation of nongovernmental and charitable organizations, as well as community groups that are concerned with women's issues in the formulation of national health care goals, priorities and programs;

e) Create more opportunities for women to acquire the skills necessary for professional development, career advancement, and accession to posts of authority, especially in the health and social sectors;

f) Establish mechanisms to identify and nominate more women for professional posts in the Organization.

2. To recommend that Director:

a) Accord a higher priority to the program for women, health and development;

b) Provide the human and financial resources needed to effectively carry out activities to achieve the goals of the Five-Year Plan of Action on Women, Health and Development;

c) Intensify efforts to identify and recruit suitable women candidates for consideration in the selection process for senior, professional posts in the Organization;

f) Ensure closer coordination of PAHO’s activities on women, health and development with those of other national and international agencies concerned with women’s issues.

(Approved at the eighth plenary session, 27 June 1983)
The Executive Committee,

Bearing in mind Resolution IV of the 86th Meeting of the Executive Committee, Resolution XVI of the XXVIII Meeting of the Directing Council, Resolution XVII of the 88th Meeting of the Executive Committee, and Resolution XIV of the XXI Pan American Sanitary Conference;

Considering that the provisional draft of the program budget has been the subject of further study by the Governments and of consultations with them to determine their latest desires and requirements;

Having carefully examined the proposed program budget of the Pan American Health Organization for the biennium 1984–1985 (Official Document 187);

Considering the recommendations and suggestions, contained in the records of this meeting, made by this Executive Committee concerning the format of Official Document 187 and the programs contained therein;

Recognizing that the 1984–1985 contribution by the Government of Argentina for support of the Pan American Zoonoses Center continues under negotiation;

Taking into consideration the estimate made by the Director that $2 million may be available in Miscellaneous Income in addition to the $2,800,000 contained in the original proposal; and

Bearing in mind Article 14.C of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization and Article III, paragraphs 3.5 and 3.6, of the PAHO Financial Regulations,

Resolves:
1. To express appreciation to the Director and his staff for the impressive presentation of the proposed program budget for 1984–1985 and for the informative responses to questions of the Executive Committee.

2. To recommend to the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council that it approve the proposed program budget of the Pan American Health Organization for the biennium 1984–1985, with an effective working budget of $104,320,000, by adopting the corresponding appropriation and assessment resolutions.

3. To recommend that the appropriation be financed by assessments to Member and Participating Governments as well as $4,800,000 in Miscellaneous Income.

4. To urge the Director to continue to refine the budget proposals, taking into account the recommendations and suggestions made by the Executive Committee in the revision of Official Document 187, for presentation to the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council.

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_{CE90.R9_} The Executive Committee,

Considering that the Director has proposed the dates 26 September - 7 October 1983 for the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council of PAHO, XXXV Meeting of the Regional Committee of WHO for the Americas;


Mindful of the wish expressed by the Representatives of the Member Governments to shorten the meetings of the Governing Bodies as much as possible without detriment to the important work done in them,

{Resolves:}

1. To authorize the Director to convoke the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council of PAHO, XXXV Meeting of the Regional Committee of WHO for the
Americas, to meet at the Headquarters building in Washington, D.C., from 26 September to 7 October 1983.

2. To urge the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council to seek suitable ways of shortening the meetings of the Governing Bodies without detriment to the work done in them.

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CE90.R10 The Executive Committee,

Having seen the document presented by the Director on this topic (Document CE90/21);

Mindful of the provisions of Rule 7 of the Rules for Technical Discussions; and

In view of the proposal that Technical Discussions be held only in even years, in which there are no proposed biennial budgets to be approved,

Resolves:

To recommend to the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council that, if the proposal to hold Technical Discussions only in even years is not approved, it adopt the following resolution:

THE XXIX MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having seen the document presented by the Director on this topic (Document CD29/ );

Mindful of the provisions of Article 7 of the Rules for Technical Discussions; and

Aware that the 90th Meeting of the Executive Committee has recommended the choice of “Workers’ Health” as the topic for the Technical Discussions to be held in 1985 during the XXXI Meeting of the Directing Council of PAHO, XXXVII Meeting of the Regional Committee of WHI for the Americas,

RESOLVES:
That the topic "Workers' Health" is selected for the Technical Discussions to be held in 1985 during the XXXI Meeting of the Directing Council of PAHO, XXXVII Meeting of the Regional Committee of WHO for the Americas.

(Approved at the ninth plenary session, 28 June 1983)

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**CE90.R11** The Executive Committee,

Having examined the preliminary report submitted by the Director on the situation in the Region of the Americas with regard to the strategies for health for all by the year 2000 (Document CE90/4, Add. I);

Bearing in mind that the goals and objectives approved by the Member Governments in 1980 and ratified in 1981 underscore the need for a systematic evaluation and monitoring of the process for attaining the goal of health for all;

Considering that, in agreement with the World Health Organization, four regional evaluations are to be made, the first in 1983 and the others in 1989, 1995, and 2001; and

Recognizing that the initial evaluation must establish a baseline for monitoring, analyzing, and estimating the progress made toward attaining the goal of health for all by the year 2000.

**Resolves:**

1. To note with appreciation the preliminary report submitted by the Director in Document CE90/4, Add. I.

2. To request the Director to transmit the report to the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council.
CE90.R12  The Executive Committee,

Having studied the report presented by the Standing Subcommittee of the Executive Committee charged with reviewing the list of nongovernmental organizations in relations with PAHO,

Resolves:

1. To confirm relations with the Latin American Association of Pharmaceutical Industries (ALIFAR), the Latin American Federation of Hospitals, the Latin American Federation of the Pharmaceutical Industry (FIFARMA), and the Pan American Federation of Associations of Medical Schools (FEPAFEM).

2. To continue relations with the Inter-American Council of Psychiatric Associations on a provisional basis in the understanding that, if no collaborative activities have materialized within the next 12 months, it will be recommended to the Executive Committee in its 92nd Meeting that those relations be suspended.

3. To suspend relations with the Pan American Medical Confederation.

CE90.R13  The Executive Committee,

Having examined the progress report presented by the Director on the Expanded Program on Immunization (EPI) in the Americas (Document CE90/15),

Resolves:

To recommend to the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council that it adopt the following resolution:
THE XXIX MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having examined the Director's Progress Report on the Expanded Program on Immunization (EPI) in the Americas (Document CE90/15), and recognizing the limited funds allocated to the program for the financial years 1984-1985;

Having taken note of the continuing efforts made to implement this program at country and regional levels;

Recognizing that progress of the EPI is an essential element of the strategy to achieve health for all by the year 2000; and

Recognizing that progress has been slow in most countries of the Region and that if it is not accelerated the program goals will not be met by 1990,

RESOLVES:

1. To urge countries to:

   a) Set biennial targets for immunization coverage in children under one year of age and pregnant women and for the reduction of the diseases involved;

   b) Use immunization coverage in children under one year of age and pregnant women as an important indicator of the performance of maternal and child health services;

   c) Use morbidity and mortality data from measles, poliomyelitis and neonatal tetanus as an indicator of program development and impact;

   d) Use surveillance of vaccine-preventable diseases as another indicator of development of national epidemiologic surveillance systems;

   e) Act on the Five-Point Action Program adopted by Resolution WHA35.31 of May 1982;

   f) Step up their evaluation of immunization programs.

2. To request the Director to:

   a) Continue giving high priority to the EPI at all levels of the Organization;

   b) Use the progress achieved by EPI as an indicator of the success of PAHO' s technical cooperation in achieving the goal of health for all by the year 2000;
c) Make a study of the vaccine production capacity of the Member Countries and of the quality and cost of the vaccines, with a view to their possible use in the EPI;

d) Renew efforts to assure full capitalization of the EPI Revolving Fund;

e) Promote evaluation activities in the countries and urge countries which have not yet done so to carry out such evaluations;

f) Inform the 94th Meeting of the Executive Committee in 1985 of program progress.

(Approved at the eleventh plenary session, 29 June 1983)

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CE90.R14 The Executive Committee,

Having examined the study on the holding of Technical Discussions during meetings of the Directing Council and the Pan American Sanitary Conference (Document CE90/20) prepared in compliance with Resolution XXVI of the XXI Pan American Sanitary Conference; and

Aware of the need to enable the Governing Bodies to give all necessary time to the study and approval of the proposed biennial program budgets of the Pan American Health Organization, without detriment to the interest and importance that must attach to the holding of Technical Discussions of the highest quality,

Resolves

To request the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council to approve the following resolution:

THE XXIX MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,
Having examined the study on the holding of Technical Discussions during meetings of the Directing Council and the Pan American Sanitary Conference (Document CD29/ ), prepared in compliance with Resolution XXVI of the XXI Pan American Sanitary Conference;

Aware of the need to enable the Governing Bodies to give all necessary time to the study and approval of the proposed biennial program budgets of the Pan American Health Organization, without detriment to the interest and importance that must attach to the holding of Technical Discussions of the highest quality; and

Bearing in mind Resolution XIV of the 90th Meeting of the Executive Committee,

RESOLVES:

1. That no Technical Discussions are to be held during meetings of the Directing Council and Pan American Sanitary Conference in which the proposed program budget of the Pan American Health Organization is to be studied and approved.

2. That Technical Discussions are to open with a statement on the chosen topic, prepared by a group of experts of established standing in the subject.

3. That the duration of Technical Discussions is to be limited to the working hours of the Saturday of the first week the meeting.

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CE90.R15 The Executive Committee,

Having seen the report on the III Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Animal Health 1 (Document CE90/16);

Recognizing that the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Centers perform a fundamental role in the programs of veterinary public health and animal health in the Hemisphere;

Being aware that the technical cooperation of these two Centers is essential in supporting the consolidation of national programs for the prevention, control, and eradication of zoonoses and foot-and-mouth disease;
Considering that the delegates of the countries participating in the III Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Animal Health (RIMSA III) unanimously approved the proposed programs and budgets of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Centers for 1984–1985 and recommended their approval to the Governing Bodies of PAHO; and

Having taken note of the special contributions of the Governments of Argentina for the new facilities for the Pan American Zoonoses Center and Brazil for the improvement of the premises of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center.

**Resolves:**

1. To take note of the report of the III Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Animal Health (Document CE90/16).

2. To express appreciation for the important contribution of the two Centers.

3. To commend the Ministers of Agriculture of the Region for the support given to the Centers and the financial cooperation provided for the execution of specific projects.

4. To thank the Governments of Argentina and Brazil for their valuable contributions to improve the facilities of the two Centers.

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**CE90.R16** The Executive Committee,

Having examined the report of the Award Committee of the PAHO Award for Administration (Document CE90/12. Add. I);

Bearing in mind the provisions of the Procedure and Guidelines for conferring the PAHO Award for Administration; and

Considering the importance of encouraging a higher level of competence in the administration of health services,
Resolves:

1. To note the decision of the Award Committee to confer the PAHO Award for Administration, 1983, on Dr. Arnaldo Tejeiro Fernández of Cuba, for the contribution to and social impact of his work in his country's National Health Service.

2. To transmit the report of the Award Committee of the PAHO Award for Administration (Document CE90/12, Add. I) to the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council.

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CE90.R17 The Executive Committee,

Having considered the Director's presentation on the availability of appropriations to finance outstanding legal obligations from prior financial periods (Document CE90/25, Rev. 1),

Resolves:


2. To recommend to the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council that it give favorable consideration to the request of the Director and to the amendments to the Financial Regulations of the Pan American Health Organization included in Document CE90/25, Rev. 1, by adopting the following resolution:

THE XXIX MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the recommendation of the 90th Meeting of the Executive Committee and the proposed changes in the Financial Regulations proposed in Document CD29/ ; and
Taking into consideration that the changes in the Regulations will provide conformity between the Financial Regulations of WHO and PAHO with respect to the availability of appropriations,

RESOLVES:

To approve the changes in the Financial Regulations of the Pan American Health Organization as they appear in Document CD2_9/1.

(Approved at the twelfth plenary session, 29 June 1983)

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*CE90.R18* The Executive Committee,

Having seen Resolution XXIX of the XXI Pan American Sanitary Conference;

Mindful of Resolution WHA28.721 of the Twenty-eighth World Health Assembly; and

Informed of the report of the Consultative Meeting on strategies for strengthening blood transfusion services in Latin America and the Caribbean in 1990, held in Washington, D.C., from 22–25 February 1983,

Resolves:

1. To thank the Director for the measures taken in accordance with Resolution XXIX of the XXI Pan American Sanitary Conference.

2. To take note of the recommendations made in the report of the aforementioned Consultative Meeting, with special attention to the ethical aspects of the matter.
3. To urge Member Governments that have not yet done so to frame policies for the preparation of a national blood transfusion program.

4. To recommend to the Directing Council that it approve the proposed regional program of work, drawn up in the Consultative Meeting, for strengthening blood transfusion services in Latin America and the Caribbean during the period 1984–1990, for implementation as available funding permits.

5. To request the Directing Council to recommend to the Director that he take the requisite action for the final formulation, financing, and implementation of the regional program.

6. To request the Director to present to the 92nd Meeting of the Executive Committee a report on the implementation of the program.

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CE90.R19 The Executive Committee,

Having seen the document presented by the Director on this subject (Document CE90/6),

Resolves:

To recommend to the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council that it approve the following resolution:

THE XXIX MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having examined the document on this subject presented by the Director (Document CD29/ );

Mindful of the observations made on this matter during the XXI Pan American Sanitary Conference;

Considering that the existing information on health conditions and progress in improving them in the countries of the Americas is steadily increasing and more
closely related to the goals and objectives of the Organization and its Member Governments; and

Cognizant of the financial burden to the Governments of sending delegations to the Pan American Sanitary Conference,

RESOLVES:

1. To suggest to the XXII Pan American Sanitary Conference the adoption of the following guidelines on this matter:

a) That the Member Governments be requested to present in writing their reports to the Pan American Sanitary Conferences on health conditions and progress made in the intervals between them;

b) That it be established that those reports shall not exceed six double-space typewritten pages, for inclusion in extenso in the verbatim records of the Conference;

c) To decide that the delegations will also have an opportunity, during the discussion of the Director’s Quadrennial Report, to take the floor for no longer than 10 minutes, and to do so must register in advance with the Officers of the Meeting, the President of the Conference enforcing compliance with this rule;

d) To urge the delegates that, in addition to complying with the rules at a), b) and c) above, they distribute their own printed matter on this subject to the other delegations, in the understanding that the shipment, reproduction, translation and printing of those materials shall be the responsibility of the Member Governments themselves.

2. To establish that Member Governments wishing to make general presentations on health conditions in their countries during the meetings of the Directing Council should adhere as much as possible to the following rules:

a) Presentations should be typed double-spaced on not more than six bond-sized sheets for inclusion in extenso in the summary records;

b) Delegations will also have an opportunity to take the floor for no longer than 10 minutes, and to do so must register in advance with the Officers of the Meeting.
3. To request the Director to establish an automatic mechanism to enable the Officers of the Pan American Sanitary Conference and the Directing Council to monitor the time allowed to each speaker.

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CE90.R20  The Executive Committee,

Having examined the report on the evaluation of the Latin American Center for Educational Technology in Health (CLATES) (Document CE90/18),

Resolves:

To recommend to the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council that it approve a resolution couched in the following terms:

THE XXIX MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having examined the report presented by the Director on the evaluation of the Latin American Center for Educational Technology in Health (CLATES) (Document CD29/);

Noting with satisfaction the intense work done by the Center for Educational Technology for Health (NUTES) of Rio de Janeiro Federal University; and

Considering further the spread of activities in this field throughout the Region,

RESOLVES:

1. To take cognizance of the success of the Latin American Center for Educational Technology in Health and commend the Pan American Health Organization for its achievement.

2. To take cognizance of and express appreciation for the support that the Government of Brazil has given to the Latin American Center for Educational Technology in Health.
3. To terminate CLATES on 31 December 1983 while continuing the support being provided to NUTES and to activities for educational technology at the regional and national levels.

(Approved at the twelfth plenary session, 29 June 1983)

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**CE90.R21** The Executive Committee,

Having reviewed the report submitted by the Director (Document CE90/13) on action taken by Member Governments regarding infant and young child nutrition and the status of compliance with and implementation of the International Code of Marketing of Breast-milk Substitutes approved by Resolution WHA34.22 of the Thirty-fourth World Health Assembly;

Noting that, while many Member Governments are taking useful measures related to improving infant and young child feeding, few Member Governments have adopted and adhere to the International Code as a "minimum requirement" and have implemented it "in its entirety," as called for in Resolution WHA34.22; and

Recognizing the importance of sound infant and young child nutrition for the future health and development of the child and adult,

**Resolves:**

1. To thank the Director for the progress report on this important matter.

2. To inform the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council on the results of the Organization's efforts in support of infant and young child nutrition in the Region.
3. To recommend to the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council that it adopt the following resolution:

THE XXIX MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Recognizing that there is a close interrelationship between infant and young child nutrition and social and economic development;

Concerned that inappropriate feeding practices of infants and young children result in greater incidence of infant mortality, malnutrition and disease, especially in conditions of poverty and poor hygiene;

Conscious that breastfeeding is the ideal method of infant feeding during the first months of life and should be promoted and protected in all countries;

Convinced that Member Governments have important responsibilities and a fundamental role to play in the promotion of good nutrition and in the protection of breastfeeding and sound weaning practices, as a means of improving infant and young child health; and

Recalling Resolution WHA33.32 on Infant and Young Child Feeding and Resolution WHA34.22 adopting the International Code of Marketing of Breast-milk Substitutes,

RESOLVES:

1. To urge all Member Governments to:

a) Give full support to their implementation of the recommendations made by the Joint WHO/UNICEF Meeting on Infant and Young Child Feeding (1979), and on the encouragement and support of breastfeeding; the promotion and support of appropriate weaning practices; the strengthening of education, training and information; the promotion of the health and social status of women; and the appropriate marketing and distribution of breast-milk substitutes;

b) Give renewed attention to the need of adopting national legislation, regulations or other suitable measures to respond to the International Code of Marketing of Breast-milk Substitutes, and the monitoring of compliance with the Code;

c) Involve all concerned social and economic sectors, nongovernmental agencies, academic institutions, professional associations, and the community as a whole in the implementation of concerted actions for the improvement of infant and young
child nutrition, particularly in low-income groups of rural and peri-urban populations.

2. To request the Director to:

a) Continue full support and cooperation with Member Governments in the design, implementation and evaluation of national programs for the improvement of infant and young child feeding and maternal nutrition;

b) Give all possible assistance to Member Governments, as and when requested, for the implementation of the International Code, particularly in the preparation of national legislation and regulations related to this matter;

c) Intensify activities in the field of health and nutrition education and in training and information on infant and young child feeding, in particular through primary health care services;

d) Support national studies regarding infant and young child feeding practices, particularly with regard to the prevalence and duration of breastfeeding;

e) Strengthen coordination with other international and bilateral agencies for the mobilization of financial and technical resources in support of national food and nutrition programs.

(Approved at the twelfth plenary session, 29 June 1983)

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CE90.R22  The Executive Committee,

Considering that the 24th of July of this year marks the bicentennial of the birth of that great luminary in the history of the Americas, Simón Bolívar;
Considering that for his contribution to the independence of the American republics he is rightly called "the Liberator";

Considering the Pan American character of the intellectual legacy of Simón Bolívar; and

Considering that it was thanks to Simón Bolívar that the Amphictyonic Congress of Panama, the first attempt to develop solidarity and cooperation among the Governments in the Hemisphere, was convened.

**Resolves:**

1. To approve a special vote in tribute to the memory of Simón Bolívar on the bicentennial of his birth.

2. To request the Director to transmit this decision to the Member Governments of the Organization.

3. To convey this resolution formally to the authorities of the Government of Venezuela in charge of the commemoration of the Simón Bolívar bicentennial.

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**CE90.R23** The Executive Committee,

Having seen the work done by the Secretariat to present the topics submitted for its consideration;

Having taken account of the changes that the Director is making to maximize the work of the Organization for the most successful accomplishment of its purposes; and

Cognizant of the extraordinary gifts that adorn the person of Ms. Lea Guido, Representative of Nicaragua, and the sensitivity, affability, and firmness with which she conducted the discussions of the Meeting,

**Resolves:**
1. To thank the Secretariat for the manner in which it presented the topics to the Meeting.

2. To thank the Director for the manner in which he presented his reports, describing a process of change requested through the Governing Bodies.

3. To voice its support for the work that the Director is doing, and its wish that he continue to seek new ways of operating which help to satisfy the needs and wants of the peoples of the Americas.

4. To put on record its appreciation to Ms. Lea Guido, of Nicaragua, for the skill and affability with which she presided over the proceedings of the Meeting.

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