101st Session of the Executive Committee

RESOLUTIONS

CE101.R1 The Executive Committee,

Considering that the Director has proposed the dates of 26 September to 1 October 1988 for the XXXIII Meeting of the PAHO Directing Council, XL Meeting of the WHO Regional Committee for the Americas; and


RESOLVES:

To authorize the Director to convocate the XXXIII Meeting of the PAHO Directing Council, XL Meeting of the WHO Regional Committee for the Americas, to meet at the Headquarters building in Washington, D.C., from 26 September to 1 October 1988.

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CE101.R2 The Executive Committee,

Having seen the report of the Special Subcommittee on Women, Health, and Development (Document CE101/24),
Resolves:

To recommend the following resolution to the XXXIII Meeting of the Directing Council for its approval:

THE XXXIII MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having seen the report of the Special Subcommittee on Women, Health, and Development (Document CD33/);

Bearing in mind the previous resolutions adopted by the Governing Bodies of PAHQ on women, health, and development, in particular Resolution CSP22. R.12 of the XXII Pan American Sanitary Conference; and

Taking into account Resolution WHA40.9 adopted by the Fortieth World Health Assembly,

RESOLVES:

1. To urge the Member Countries:

a) To fulfill the provisions of point 2, paragraph 3, of Resolution CSP22. R12 of the XXII Pan American Sanitary Conference, with regard to strengthening of the national focal points in the Woman, Health, and Development Program;

b) To develop training programs for all health personnel at the different levels of the Women, Health, and Development Program on its objectives, content, and strategies, so that they will be able to attend to the comprehensive health needs of women;

c) To increase significantly the participation of women at the directing and decision-making levels within the institutions of the health sector;

d) To continue to carry out the research necessary for the design of policies and the implementation of programs that will substantially improve the current living conditions and the health of women, giving priority to the subject areas recommended in the report of the Subcommittee.

2. To request the Director:
a) To intensify efforts so that all the technical programs of the Organization will develop activities aimed at fulfillment of the eight strategies on women, health, and development approved by the XXII Pan American Sanitary Conference;

b) To continue promoting interaction with other international agencies, institutionalizing it through agreements and accords for the coordination of activities and the mobilization of resources for the Women, Health, and Development Program;

c) To incorporate the priority subject areas recommended by the Subcommittee into the research grant program of the Organization;

d) To continue efforts aimed at increasing the participation of women in PAHO with a view to attaining the goal of 30% for professional and higher-level positions, as approved by Resolution CSP22.R12, and at the same time increasing the participation of women as temporary and short-term consultants, working with the national focal points on the identification of candidates;

e) To step up mobilization of the resources required for implementation of the approved Regional strategies and for the promotion, execution, and dissemination of specific activities under the Women, Health, and Development Program at the country and regional levels.

f) To report every two years to the Directing Council on the progress achieved in the eight strategies of the Women, Health, and Development Program.

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CE101.R3 The Executive Committee,

Having considered the report of the Director on the collection of quota contributions (Document CE101/11 and Add. I) and the report on Member Governments in arrears in the payment of their quota contributions to the extent that they are subject to the application of Article 6.B of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization;
Noting the provisions of Resolution VI of the XXXII Meeting of the Directing Council on the application of Article 6.B of the PAHO Constitution, regarding the suspension of voting privileges of Member Governments that fail to meet their financial obligations; and

Noting with concern that six Member Governments may be subject to the application of Article 6.B of the Constitution on the opening date of the XXXIII Meeting of the Directing Council,

RESOLVES:

To take note of the report of the Director on the collection of quota contributions (Document CE101/11 and Add. I).

To thank the Member Governments that have already made their payments for 1988 and to urge the other Member Governments to pay their outstanding quota contributions as soon as possible, so that the work of the Organization can continue and the financial burden of its program can be shared fairly among all members.

To recommend to the XXXIII Meeting of the Directing Council that the voting restrictions contained in Article 6.B of the PAHO Constitution be strictly applied to Member Governments that by the opening of that Meeting have not made substantial additional payments towards fulfilling their commitments nor stated their intention of doing so by formal communication to the Secretariat.

To request the Director to continue to inform the Member Governments of any balances due and to report to the XXXIII Meeting of the Directing Council on the status of the collection of quota contributions.

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CE101.R4 The Executive Committee,

Having examined the Financial Report of the Director for 1986–1987, contained in Official Document 220, and having heard the report presented by the External Auditor on the accounts of the Organization for this financial period,

RESOLVES:

To recommend to the XXXIII Meeting of the Directing Council approval of a resolution along the following lines:

THE XXXIII MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having examined the Financial Report of the Director for 1986-1987 and heard the report presented by the External Auditor on the accounts of the Organization for this financial period;

Noting the comments and concerns expressed by the External Auditor on the bank and imprest accounts, the new Headquarters office building, monitoring and evaluation, and control of manpower; and

Expressing satisfaction that the Organization has continued to maintain a balanced financial condition,

RESOLVES:


2. To thank the External Auditor for presenting a clear and comprehensive report for the biennium 1986-1987 and to request the Director to encourage careful attention to the matters of concern expressed by the External Auditor.

3. To express concern over the low rate of quota payments to the Caribbean Food and Nutrition Institute (CFNI) and the Institute of Nutrition of Central America and Panama (INCAP), and to urge the Governments that are members of CFNI and INCAP to make every effort to pay their outstanding quota contributions as early as possible, so that the work of these Centers can continue and the financial burden of their programs be shared fairly among all participants in the Centers.

4. To request the Director to monitor carefully the financial situation of CFNI and INCAP, and to devise alternative policies should the quota situation fail to improve over the current 1988-1989 biennium.

5. To request the Director to review and evaluate thoroughly the relationship between the Organization and the Pan American Health and Education (PAHEF)
and to report his findings through the Subcommittee on Planning and Programming for consideration by the Executive Committee in June 1989.

6. To endorse the Director’s proposal to credit the surplus of $859,500 from operations in 1986-1987 to the Miscellaneous Income Account to help assure adequate funding of the 1988-1989 Regular budget.

7. To congratulate the Director on his efforts to maintain a balanced financial condition for the Organization.

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CE101.R5 The Executive Committee,

Having considered Document CE101/20, which contains a tentative request for US$65,027,000 from the World Health Organization for the Region of the Americas for the biennium 1990–1991; and

Noting that in its last two meetings the Subcommittee on Planning and Programming has reviewed in general terms the program budget reductions implemented by the Director–General of WHO,

RESOLVES:

To thank the Subcommittee on Planning and Programming for its review.

To thank the Director for presenting a tentative WHO regular program budget proposal for the biennium 1990–1991, which includes a 1.8% program increase in the funds allocated to country programs while at the same time proposing no overall program increase, especially in view of the $2,470,000 program decrease required in the 1988–1989 program budget.

To recommend to the XXXIII Meeting of the PAHO Directing Council, XL Meeting of the WHO Regional Committee for the Americas, that it approve the 1990–1991 proposal of $65,027,000, which includes $4,866,000, or 8.1%, in cost increases over the revised 1988–1989 allocation of $60,161,000, by adopting a resolution along the following lines:

THE XXXIII MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,
Having considered Document CD33/__ and the tentative request for US$65,027,000 from the World Health Organization for the Region of the Americas for the biennium 1990-1991, which includes cost increases of $4,866,000 or 8.1% over the revised 1988-1989 allocation; and

Noting the recommendation of the 101st Meeting of the Executive Committee,

RESOLVES:

To request the Director to transmit to the Director-General of WHO the request for $65,027,000 for the Region of the Americas for the biennium 1990-1991, for consideration by the WHO Executive Board and the World Health Assembly in 1989.

June 1988 OD 225, 92

CE101.R6 The Executive Committee

Having reviewed the report on acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) in the Americas (Document CE101/17 and Add. I).

RESOLVES:

To recommend to the XXXIII Meeting of the Directing Council the approval of a resolution along the following lines:

THE XXXIII MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having reviewed the report on acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) in the Americas (Document CD33/__ .);

Recalling Resolution CD32.R12, adopted by the XXXII Meeting of the Directing Council (1987), dealing with AIDS in the Americas, and Resolutions WHA40.26 and WHA41.24 dealing, respectively, with the global strategy for the prevention and control of AIDS and the avoidance of discrimination in relation to HIV-infected people and those with AIDS;

Considering that the AIDS pandemic continues to grow throughout the Region of the Americas, requiring a sustained commitment by every country to control the
spread of the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and to mitigate the magnitude of the future impact of this disease on health services and national economies;

Recognizing the continued need for joint, coordinated international efforts to prevent and control this disease;

Cognizant of the strengthened coordination of the international efforts against AIDS through the WHO Global Program on AIDS in the Americas, carried out by the Pan American Health Organization; and

Considering the profound impact the care of AIDS patients has on the already stretched national health services and health resources and the need for national AIDS programs and activities articulated with national plans for strengthening health systems and services,

RESOLVES:

1. To endorse the objectives, strategies and targets for the Global Program on AIDS in the Americas, as presented in Document CD33__.

2. To urge Member Countries to:

   a) Make special voluntary contributions to PAHO for the carrying out catalytic research and cooperative activities in relation to AIDS;

   b) Make available to PAHO human and institutional resources to enable the Organization to fulfill better its global and regional mandates in this regard.

3. To request the Director of the PASB to continue to search for funds, in addition to those already approved in the PAHO/WHO Regular program budget for the biennium 1988-1989, in support of the efforts of the Member Countries to carry out their short-and medium-term programs for AIDS prevention and control.

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CE101.R7 The Executive Committee
Having reviewed the progress report on the implementation of the Plan of Action for the Eradication of the Indigenous Transmission of Wild Poliovirus from the Americas by 1990,

RESOLVES:

To recommend to the XXXIII Meeting of the Directing Council the approval of a resolution along the following lines:

THE XXXIII MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having examined and reviewed the progress report presented by the Director on the implementation of the Plan of Action for the Eradication of Wild Poliovirus from the Americas by 1990;

Noting with satisfaction that most countries have prepared 5-year plans outlining the activities to be carried out, and the costing of the program, with identification of the national and international funding sources;

Concerned that many countries have not made enough progress towards implementation of the strategies outlined in the Plan of Action and others have not maintained the strategies over time, and that immunization coverage remains critically low in several of them; and

Cognizant that less than three years are left before the target date for eradication of the wild poliovirus from the Americas and much remains to be done,

RESOLVES:

1. To thank USAID, IDB, UNICEF, Rotary International and CIDA/CPHA for the level of cooperation and coordination achieved among themselves and with the PAHO Member Countries in carrying out the campaign to eradicate poliomyelitis from the Americas by 1990.

2. To urge all Member Countries to make every effort to carry out their adopter national plans of action in accordance with the general guidelines of the Regional Plan of Action and the recommendations of the Technical Advisory Group (TAG).

3. To accelerate and reinforce the work of the network of laboratories to provide support in virology for the diagnostic, surveillance and control activities of the programs of the Member Countries.
4. To stress that, if the goal of polio eradication is to be met, the following critical actions require the immediate and ongoing attention of the Member Countries:

4.1 Countries still endemic for polio should:

a) Institute at least two regular national vaccination days per year as part of their national vaccination programs;

b) Utilize these national vaccination days to deliver TOPV as well as other EPI antigens so that the overall EPI coverage will be increased;

c) Continue these measures until polio eradication is achieved and certified and high EPI coverage is maintained.

4.2 Countries not endemic for polio should ensure that high levels of immunization are maintained throughout the country.

4.3 All Member Countries should:

a) Monitor immunization coverage at the level of the smallest political administrative units;

b) Take special measures to improve immunization rates in children under one year age in areas where TOPV coverage is below 90% in that age group, and use this indicator as a measure of the functioning of the health infrastructure and as a basis for the reallocation of resources.

4.4 Surveillance systems should be strengthened to detect all cases of acute flaccid paralysis:

a) All cases of acute flaccid paralysis occurring in persons less than 15 years old should be considered a national emergency and investigated immediately to determine if they represent poliomyelitis;

b) Special control measures should be instituted immediately for all cases classified as probable polio;

c) All cases classified as probable polio cases should be reported as soon as possible to the international level, and specimens immediately sent to designated reference laboratories for prompt and accurate testing.
5. To request that the Director present a progress report to the XXXIV Meeting of the Directing Council in 1989, just one year before the target date for achievement of the goal of polio eradication.

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CE101.R8 The Executive Committee

Having seen the report on Andean cooperation in health (Document CE101/6), which summarizes the guidelines and strategies regarding priority areas for joint action by the countries of the Andean Subregion,

RESOLVES:

To recommend to the XXXIII Meeting of the Directing Council adoption of a resolution along the following lines:

THE XXXIII MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having seen the report on Andean cooperation in health (Document CD33 __ ), which summarizes the guidelines and strategies in the priority areas for joint action by the countries of the Andean Subregion;

Taking note of Resolution CSP22.R22 of the XXII Pan American Sanitary Conference, which supports the formulation of a joint plan of action for the Andean area; and

Recognizing the efforts made by the countries of the Subregion, the Secretariat of the Hipólito Unanue Agreement and PAHO for the joint framing and implementation of health measures,

RESOLVES:

1. To congratulate the Governments of the Andean countries on the preparation of the Joint Plan of Action and the commitment that this represents, especially in
terms of the effort that the Andean countries will have to make to mobilize local resources and obtain support from external sources.

2. To forward this Plan to WHO and to the Andean Parliament in order to promote active consideration and support for it.

3. To request the Director:
   a) To orient PASB technical cooperation to the Andean area in keeping with the objectives and strategies of the Plan of Action;
   b) To seek, jointly with the Governments of the Andean countries, the support of other agencies and governments in and outside the Region for the execution of this Plan;
   c) To endeavor, jointly with the Governments of the Andean countries, to accelerate implementation of the Plan of Action.

June 1988 OD 225, 96

CE101.R9 The Executive Committee,

Having seen the report "Maternal and Child Health and Family Planning Programs" (Document CE101/9),

RESOLVES:

To recommend to the XXXIII Meeting of the Directing Council that it adopt a resolution along the following lines:

THE XXXIII MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Reaffirming and reiterating the concepts and mandates contained in Resolutions CD30.R8 and CD31.R18 of 1984 and 1985, respectively;

Recognizing the advances achieved by the joint work of the Organization, the Member Countries, and the United Nations Population Fund in execution of the aforementioned resolutions;
Taking note of the constraints that prevent a faster pace of execution; and

Reaffirming the statements contained in Document CD33/ ____, "Maternal and Child Health and Family Planning Programs," which the Director has presented as a second progress report on the status of execution of the Organization's policy for action in population matters,

RESOLVES:

1. To urge Member Governments:

   a) To continue efforts to implement the mandates contained and unanimously adopted in Resolutions CD30.R8 and CD31. R18, so that faster progress can be made in the strengthening of maternal and child health and family planning programs and of actions among groups at greatest risk and adolescents in particular, to reduce differences between and within the countries;

   b) To make a special effort to study information on population, health and existing services so as to keep current the situational diagnosis needed to program the measures to be taken in the last decade of the century;

   c) To design specific proposals for the participation of other development sectors in coordinated actions to benefit the health of mothers, children, and the population at large;

   d) To take the necessary action to coordinate technical and financial cooperation in the area of population, health, and development, and especially in maternal and child health and family planning programs;

   e) To emphasize not only the extension of coverage but also the quality of maternal and child health and family planning services as part of the strategy for the development and strengthening of local health systems;

   f) To set, as soon as possible, goals for the reduction of maternal mortality and morbidity, and to design plans of action for the reduction of maternal mortality by at least 50% in the next seven years in those countries where the indicator is high;

   g) To initiate intersectoral and sectoral actions directed toward the community, teachers, and parents, with a view to helping adolescents to develop healthy lifestyles and avoid risk-associated behaviors that lead to drug addiction, accidents, sexually transmitted diseases, and unwanted pregnancies.
2. To request the Director:

a) To continue the support of activities required for implementation of the collective mandates in this field, especially the mobilization of national and international technical and financial resources for a more appropriate response to existing needs;

b) To report on the progress made in this area to the Directing Council at its meeting in 1991.

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CE101.R10  The Executive Committee,

Having seen Document CE101/25, "Development and Strengthening of Local Health Systems in the Transformation of National Health Systems," and Resolution WHA41.341 of the Forty-first World Health Assembly,

RESOLVES:

To recommend to the XXXIII Meeting of the Directing Council the adoption of a resolution along the following lines:

THE XXXIII MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having seen Document CD33/ ___ , "Development and Strengthening of Local Health Systems in the Transformation of National Health Systems," Resolution WHA41.34 of the World Health Assembly, and the observations of the 101st Meeting of the Executive Committee;

Taking into account Resolution CSP22.R21 of the XXII Pan American Sanitary Conference, which defined the orientation and programming priorities of PAHO for the quadrennium 1987-1990;

Recognizing the urgent need to accelerate the transformation of the national health systems in order to promote application of the primary health care strategy and to attain the goal of health for all by the year 2000;
Concerned about the constraints on the proper development of health care imposed by the present economic crisis and by limitations within the health sector itself;

Convinced that the challenge of improving the health of the neediest populations should be met, despite the crisis, with innovative measures for the structuring and administration of available resources;

Cognizant of the exercises already under way in most of the countries for transformation of the national health systems based on the development of local health systems as part of national decentralization and deconcentration processes; and

Agreeing that it is at the local level that policies and strategies for social development and health care can be implemented on the basis of social participation, intersectoral action, coordination of financial sources, and integration of programs,

RESOLVES:

1. To thank the Director for Document CD33/___, “Development and Strengthening of Local Health Systems in the Transformation of National Health Systems."

2. To urge Member Governments:

   a) To continue and strengthen their work of defining policies, strategies, programs, and activities for the transformation of national health systems through the development of local health systems;

   b) To ensure coordinated participation in the strengthening of local health systems by all government institutions responsible for the delivery of service, especially the social security administrations, and the international cooperation agencies;

   c) To place special emphasis on the provision of resources and decentralization to strengthen the operating capacity of local health systems, and on specific programs for dealing with priority health problems;

   d) To give special attention to the aspects cited in Section IV of Document CD33/ as a response by the sector for the attainment of greater equity, efficiency, effectiveness, and participation;
e) To define and apply suitable indicators and processes for evaluating the development of local health systems and the progress made;

f) To promote research on health system services at the local level.

3. To request the Director:

a) To strengthen technical cooperation to the Member Countries so that resources will be mobilized for activities to transform national health systems and support priority programs through the development of local health systems and, particularly, to develop the planning process and information systems, administration, community participation, the leadership of the sector, and personnel training.

b) To encourage exchanges of experiences between countries and groups of countries as a form of technical cooperation among countries, and to disseminate among governments and local organizations the available information on advances in the development of local health systems and the transformation of national health systems;

c) To promote the coordinated participation of all health related agencies, including those providing services, training human resources and pursuing research, and those for international cooperation;

d) To disseminate to the governments and their ministries and agencies the information available on methodological aspects and advances in the development of local health systems and the transformation of national health systems;

e) To support the monitoring of the evaluation of progress in the countries, and to include this topic in his annual reports during the present quadrennium (1987-1990).

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CE101.R11 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 CE101/14;

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

Bearing in mind the provisions of Staff Rule 020,

RESOLVES:

To confirm the amendments to the Staff Rules of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau submitted by the Director in the Annex to Document CE101/14, effective 1 April 1987 concerning the definition of terminal remuneration; effective 1 July 1987 concerning the increase in the financial incentive; effective 1 January 1988 concerning a) the restructuring of the assignment allowance and the payment of an enhanced assignment allowance resulting from the introduction of a mobility element, and b) a change in the reimbursement of boarding costs in conjunction with the education grant; and effective 1 April 1988 concerning the rates of staff assessment.

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CE101.R12  The Executive Committee,

Considering the revision made to the staff assessment rates for professional and higher categories in graded posts, effective 1 April 1988;

Taking into account the recommendation of the Eighty-first session of the WHO Executive Board1 to the Forty-first World Health Assembly related to the remuneration of the Regional Director, the Deputy Director-General, and the Director-General; and

Bearing in mind Staff Regulation 3.1 of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and Resolution XX of the XX Meeting of the Directing Council,

RESOLVES:

To approve the proposal of the Director, effective 1 April 1988, to:

Establish the salary of the Deputy Director at US$53,891 (single rate) per annum;
Establish the salary of the Assistant Director at US$52,891 (single rate) per annum.

To recommend to the Directing Council at its XXXIII Meeting that it establish the salary of the Director at US$58,892 (single rate) per annum, effective 1 April 1988.

June 1988 OD 225, 102

CE101.R13 The Executive Committee,

Having considered Document CE101/18 on adopting a Pan American Health Organization flag; and

Believing it desirable to adopt an official flag for the Pan American Health Organization,

RESOLVES:

To recommend to the XXXIII Meeting of the Directing Council adoption of a resolution along the following lines:

THE XXXIII MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered Document CD33/_ and Resolution, XIII of the 101st Meeting of the Executive Committee; and

Believing it desirable to adopt an official flag of the Pan American Health Organization, to be flown on the Premises of the Organization and to be displayed elsewhere on ceremonial and other appropriate occasions,

RESOLVES:

1. To adopt and approve as the official flag of the Pan American Health Organization the design as described in Document CD33/_.

2. To request the Director to adopt a flag code and to draw up regulations concerning the use of the flag and the protection of its dignity.
CE101.R14 The Executive Committee,

Having examined the report of the Award Committee of the PAHO Award for Administration (Document CE101/12, Add. I); and

Bearing in mind the provisions of the Procedure and Guidelines for conferring the PAHO Award for Administration as approved by the XVIII Pan American Sanitary Conference (1970)1 and amended by the XX Pan American Sanitary Conference (1978)2 and the XXVII Meeting of the Directing Council (1980),3

RESOLVES:

To note the decision of the Award Committee to confer the PAHO Award for Administration, 1988, on Dr. Guido Miranda Gutiérrez, of Costa Rica, for his outstanding contribution to administration and teaching in the areas of health and social security.

To transmit the report of the Award Committee of the PAHO Award for Administration (Document CE101/12, Add. I) to the XXXIII Meeting of the Directing Council.

CE101.R15 The Executive Committee,

Having seen the report presented by the Standing Subcommittee of the Executive Committee charged with reviewing the working relations of inter-American nongovernmental organizations with the Pan American Health Organization, and particularly the applications presented by the Inter-American College of Radiology, the Latin American Confederation of Biochemistry, and the Pan American Federation of Nursing Professionals; and

Mindful of the provisions of Resolution XX of the XX Pan American Sanitary Conference,

RESOLVES:
To authorize the establishment of official working relations between PAHO and the Inter-American College of Radiology, the Latin American Confederation of Biochemistry, and the Pan American Federation of Nursing Professionals.

To request the Director to convey this decision to the Inter-American College of Radiology, the Latin American Confederation of Biochemistry, and the Pan American Federation of Nursing Professionals and to inform them of the rights and obligations attached to these relations.

To request the Chairman of the Executive Committee to inform the XXXIII Meeting of the Directing Council of PAHO of this decision.

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CE101.R16 The Executive Committee,

Having examined the provisional agenda (Document CD33/1) prepared by the Director for the XXXIII Meeting of the PAHO Directing Council, XL Meeting of the WHO Regional Committee for the Americas, presented as Annex to Document CE101/5, Rev. 1; and


RESOLVES:

To approve the provisional agenda (Document CD33/1) prepared by the Director for the XXXIII Meeting of the PAHO Directing Council, XL Meeting of the WHO Regional Committee for the Americas, with the addition of the following three items: Aedes albopictus; Medical Education; and Program Budget Situation, 1988–1989.

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CE101.R17 The Executive Committee,

Having seen Document CE101/10 on the Organization's food and nutrition policy, based on an analysis of the current situation and its trends in a biological, economic, and social context;

Recognizing that, despite national and international efforts, serious food and nutrition problems persist in the Region and affect, in particular, low-income groups and groups at high biological risk; and

Agreeing with the proposals made on this subject of paramount importance to the Member Governments,

RESOLVES:

To recommend to the XXXIII Meeting of the Directing Council the adoption of a resolution along the following lines:

THE XXXIII MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having seen Document CD33/___ on the Organization’s food and nutrition policy;

Considering the persistence of serious food and nutrition problems in the Region, largely because of the marginal social and economic conditions of important population groups and the severe economic situation in the countries;

Aware that the problem is of a nature to require coordinated multisectoral action, in which the Ministries of Health carry out specific measures in the national health systems and provide leadership in the technical aspects of their interaction with the other sectors involved;

Concerned that the stabilization and structural adjustment measures being adopted by the countries may aggravate existing deficits in the availability and consumption of food in low-income groups and increase the prevalence of undernutrition;

Recognizing that, in addition to protein-energy malnutrition, there are specific deficiencies of iodine, iron, and vitamin A, as well as malnutrition from excesses and deficiencies of nutrients in the diets of many population groups; and
Taking into account the important role of the Organization in the food and nutrition area, 'both directly and in coordination with other technical cooperation agencies,

RESOLVES:

1. To urge the Member Governments:
   a) To strengthen their policies and strategies for improving the availability and consumption of food, particularly in low-income populations and groups at high biological risk;

   b) To step up food and nutrition work in national health systems and under the primary health care strategy, with broad social participation, through the effective mobilization of local and external resources, and taking account of the important part played by women in this work.

2. To request the Director, in working with Member Countries, to emphasize technical cooperation in the following aspects:
   a) The planning, execution, and evaluation of food and nutrition strategies directed at low-income populations and priority groups;

   b) Food and nutrition surveillance;

   c) Distribution of food to priority groups, especially mothers and children and other groups at the poverty level;

   d) Education and social communication in food and nutrition, including warning against the effects of malnutrition, including warning against the effects of malnutrition caused by insufficiencies and excesses;

   e) Control of specific nutritional deficiencies: iodine, iron, and vitamin A;

   f) Preventive nutrition in the management of chronic diseases associated with food and nutrition.

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CE101.R18  The Executive Committee,

Having seen the report "Drug Abuse Prevention" (Document CE101/22), which summarizes the status of PAHO/WHO prevention activities for controlling the abuse of psychoactive substances,

RESOLVES:

To recommend to the XXXIII Meeting of the Directing Council that it adopt a resolution along the following lines:

THE XXXIII MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having seen the report “Drug Abuse Prevention” (Document CD33/____);

Considering Resolutions XLI of the XXVII Meeting of the Directing Council, XXV of the XXI Pan American Sanitary Conference, and XVII of the XXIX Meeting of the Directing Council, in which-the Member Governments and the Bureau are requested to collaborate in the strengthening of national and regional activities for the control of drug abuse, the development of systems to provide information on the size and nature of the problem, and the study of the causal factors and the impact of drugs on the health of the population in the Region;

Recognizing the importance of the work done by PAHO/WHO in the promotion of research in and the prevention of drug abuse; and

Considering that the high levels of the traffic in and the production and consumption of illegal drugs are affecting primarily and increasingly the Region's young population, to the detriment of their health and well-being,

RESOLVES:

1. To support coordination between and other international agencies and bodies similar work in the Region.

2. To request the Member Governments to support PAHO/WHO activities in this area by making technical and institutional resources available to the Organization and providing voluntary contributions to the PAHO budget for such purposes.

3. To request the health authorities of the Member Countries to intensity their participation and provide leadership for the groups and commissions that
formulate intersectoral policies and programs for drug abuse control in the countries.

4. To promote the participation of the health sector in coordination with other sectors to promote and encourage primary prevention programs for the general population, with emphasis on groups at risk and adolescents.

5. To request the Director, as available resources permit including those of the Regional Director's Development Program and from extrabudgetary sources, to increase the attention and resources devoted by the Organization to this problem, and make every possible effort to undertake the activities that are recommended in the report and additional ones as they are developed.

June 1988 OD 225, 108

CE101.R19 The Executive Committee

Having reviewed Document CE101/28 which proposes a role for PAHO in dealing with the importation and exportation of Aedes albopictus, and bearing in mind that extensive areas in the Region of the Americas are still infested by Aedes aegypti; and

Recognizing the imminent risk an urgent necessity to prevent further spread and to control or eliminate already existing infestations of Aedes albopictus,

RESOLVES:

To recommend to the XXXIII Meeting of the Directing Council that it adopt a resolution along the following lines:

THE XXXIII MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having seen the report on Aedes albopictus (Document CD33/_), which proposes a role for action by PAHO in this matter;
Taking note of Resolution XXVI of the XXXI Meeting of the Directing Council (1985) that urges the Governments of the countries to take appropriate actions to overcome barriers that may be hindering progress in their programs to control or eradicate *Aedes aegypti*, giving the necessary attention to the allocation of funds, personnel and materials for these programs, and to implement measures for preventing exportation of the vector to other countries; and

Reaffirming Resolution CSP22.R25 of the XXII Pan American Sanitary Conference (1986) which, inter alia, recommended to the Member Countries that they initiate or continue the necessary actions for effective surveillance of *Aedes albopictus* and measures to prevent its further dissemination or to eradicate it, if possible,

RESOLVES:

1. To urge the Governments of countries and territories still infested with *Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus* to implement the resolutions mentioned above.

2. To reaffirm statements contained in the approved Plan of Action for *Aedes albopictus* control (Document CE99/15).

3. To urge all Member Countries:
   a) To take note of the need for adequate legislation and to take the necessary steps to implement regulations regarding importation and exportation of used tire casings;
   b) To prepare and implement national plans of action for the control of *Aedes albopictus* with strategies and activities similar to those existing in *Aedes aegypti* control programs;

4. To request Member Countries to report periodically to the Director on any infestations with *Aedes albopictus*;

5. To request the Director to continue to support Member Countries in their surveillance and control activities, with particular reference to dissemination of scientific and technical information which they use in establishing the necessary legislative and operational steps to prevent the spread of *Aedes albopictus*.

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