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RESOLUTION

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**REPORT OF THE SPECIAL SUBCOMMITTEE ON WOMEN,
HEALTH, AND DEVELOPMENT**

THE 33rd DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having seen the report of the Special Subcommittee on Women, Health, and Development (Document CD33/28);

Bearing in mind previous resolutions adopted by the PAHO Governing Bodies on women, health, and development, in particular Resolution XII of the XXII Pan American Sanitary Conference; and

Taking into account Resolution WHA 40.91 adopted by the Fortieth World Health Assembly,

RESOLVES

1. To urge the Member Countries:

a) To fulfill the provisions of paragraph 2(b) of Resolution XII of the XXII Pan American Sanitary Conference, regarding strengthening the national focal points on women, health, and development;

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

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

d) To continue to conduct the research necessary to design policies and implement programs that will substantially improve the current living conditions and 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 Organization's technical programs will develop activities aimed at fulfilling the eight strategies on women, health, and development approved by the XXII Pan American Sanitary Conference;

b) To continue promoting collaboration with other international agencies, formalizing it through agreements and accords aimed at coordinating activities and mobilizing 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 to increase the participation of women in PAHO with a view to attaining the goal of 30% in professional and higher-level positions, as approved by Resolution XII of the XXII Pan American Sanitary Conference, and, at the same time, to increase the participation of women as temporary and short-term consultants, working with the national focal points on the identification of candidates;

e) To increase mobilization of the resources required for implementing 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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