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## RESOLUTION

## CD35.R8

## ACQUIRED IMMUNODEFICIENCY SYNDROME (AIDS) IN THE AMERICAS

THE 35th DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having examined the report on acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) in the Americas (Document CD35/14);

Recalling and reaffirming Resolution XIX of the XXIII Pan American Sanitary Conference;

Taking into account the difficulties of undertaking national, regional, and global efforts to prevent AIDS and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection as identified therein; and

Considering the need for a concerted, continuous effort to reduce the social and economic consequences of the AIDS epidemic and of increasing HIV infection rates in the Americas,

## RESOLVES

- 1. To support the lines of action and biennial goals of the AIDS Program in the Americas as presented in Document CD35/14.
- 2. To recommend to the Member Governments that they place special emphasis on evaluating the effectiveness and efficiency of activities carried out under their national HIV and AIDS prevention and control programs, especially in the areas of infection prevention and health education.

- 3. To urge the Member Governments to promote the development of activities in the areas of research, technology transfer, and the dissemination of technical and scientific information.
- 4. To recommend to the Member Governments that they intensify activities designed to influence health behavior and prevent HIV infection through an approach based on intersectoral integration and decentralization to the state, provincial, and community levels.
- 5. To request the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to continue the Organization's support to national AIDS and HIV prevention and control programs through interprogram efforts coordinated both at Headquarters and in the Country Offices.

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