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RESOLUTION

CD37.R16

FAMILY PLANNING, REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH, AND POPULATION

THE 37th DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Reaffirming and reiterating the concepts and mandates contained in Resolutions CD30.R8, CD31.R18, CD32.R9, CD33.R13, CD35.R16, CSP23.R17, and CD36.R18, on the subjects of population, family planning, maternal and child health, prevention and reduction of maternal mortality, and comprehensive health of adolescents; and

Taking note of the changes that are occurring in the international and national spheres, as well as the obstacles standing in the way of more rapid progress in the actions necessary in order to attain the goals set by the Governing Bodies of the Organization and the World Summit for Children,

RESOLVES

- 1. To reaffirm that population and family planning activities are indispensable to health, and that family planning should be integrated into health programs and promoted actively under the principle of respect for the rights of individuals and couples.
- 2. To urge that the Member Governments to:

- a) Participate actively in the World Conference on Population, to be held in Cairo, Egypt, in 1994, endeavoring to ensure that issues relating to population and health, reproductive health and family planning are duly considered and included under the plans of action on matters of population and development;
- b) Review, adjust, and reformulate, as necessary, their policies, plans of action and programs on reproductive health and family planning, emphasizing the improvement of the quality of services, intersectoral coordination including better partnership with governmental, private, for-profit, and nongovernmental organizations, and the search for financing to reach neglected groups and the population that remains uncovered;
- c) Develop projects of technical and financial support in the area of family planning, reproductive health, and population to be submitted to bilateral or multilateral cooperation agencies.
- 3. To request that the Director:
- a) Ensure that the Pan American Health Organization provides the necessary technical support so that the issues of population and health, reproductive health, and family planning are included in the proposed regional and global plans of action on population;
- b) Collaborate with the countries in situation studies, policy design, and the development of strategies and programs to provide family planning and reproductive health services, integrated with other programs of primary health care and for the prevention of the HIV/AIDS epidemic to the entire population;
- c) Continue to contribute to the search for and mobilization of national and international resources in order to make it possible to expand the Organization's activities in these areas.

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