



PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION
WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION



4th DIRECTING COUNCIL
2nd SESSION OF THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE

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RESOLUTION

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**COOPERATION IN THE ORGANIZATION OF A PAN AMERICAN
FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE CENTER**

THE 4th DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Considering that aftosa (foot-and-mouth disease), a livestock disease of wide distribution in the Americas, affects human nutrition through substantial reductions in meat and milk supplies;

Considering that the Organization of American States (OAS) and its Specialized Organizations have received numerous requests from Member Governments for the inclusion of an aftosa project under the Expanded Technical Assistance Program, and [that] the Pan American Sanitary Bureau is the only Specialized Organization of the OAS now equipped with a veterinary service, [which is] necessary for the preparation of such a project;

Considering that the formal agreement between the Council of the OAS and the Directing Council of the Pan American Sanitary Organization (23 May 1950) provides [in Article IV] that "the Pan

American Sanitary Organization shall give technical advice on matters of public health and medical care to the Council of the OAS and its organs, and to the Pan American Union, upon request";

Considering that the Secretary General of the OAS has made written request to the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for the preparation and sponsorship of a Technical Assistance project [for aftosa control];

Considering that the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, in collaboration with the Inter-American Institute of Agricultural Sciences, has prepared a project for an antiaftosa center [in the Americas], to be operated with Technical Assistance funds; and

Considering that the Director of the Bureau has indicated that any further participation in this project is subject to special authorization by the Directing Council,

RESOLVES

To approve the action of the Bureau in preparing the project for the organization of an antiaftosa center in the Americas, and to authorize the participation of the Bureau in the organization of such a center until such time as some other Specialized Organization of the OAS is prepared to take full charge, provided that the financing of the center shall be with funds other than those of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

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