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## RESOLUTION

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## PARTICIPATION OF CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION NOT HAVING THEIR SEATS OF GOVERNMENT WITHIN THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE

THE 5<sup>th</sup> DIRECTING COUNCIL,

[Considering that] the Directing Council at its IV Meeting requested the Executive Committee to study the relationship between the Directing Council and the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization, and the relations of each of these to the Member States of the World Health Organization not having their seats of government within the Western Hemisphere, and to recommend to the Council the inclusion in the proposed constitutional revision of measures to clarify these relationships;

[Considering that] the XIII Pan American Sanitary Conference 1 authorized the Executive Committee to examine the proposed revision submitted to the Conference by the Directing Council and to submit it for consideration to the Directing Council at its V Meeting, together with the

opinions expressed by the Member Governments, the Members of the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization, and the Council of the Organization of American States;

[Considering that] Resolution III of the II Meeting of the Directing Council offered certain rights of participation in the Pan American Sanitary Organization to the non-self-governing territories of the Western Hemisphere, and [that] Resolution IX of the III Meeting invited certain nonmember States to participate on the same basis as the American Republics in meetings of the Directing Council as Regional Committee of the World Health Organization; and

[Considering that] the Directing Council has adopted a resolution expressing its belief that a revision of the Constitution of the Pan American Sanitary Organization is not timely, and [that] until this instrument is revised, the Directing Council should clarify said Resolution IX of the III Meeting of the Directing Council,

## **RESOLVES**

- 1. That all meetings of the Directing Council shall at the same time be meetings of the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization, except when the Directing Council is considering constitutional matters, the juridical relations between the Pan American Sanitary Organization and the World Health Organization or the Organization of American States, or other questions relating to the Pan American Sanitary Organization as an Inter-American Specialized Organization.
- 2. That, modifiying paragraphs (a) and (b) of Resolution II of the II Meeting of the Directing Council, the vote on Pan American Sanitary Organization budget matters is granted to States Members of the World Health Organization not having their seats of government within the Western Hemisphere which "either (a) by reason of their Constitution consider certain territories or groups of territories in the Western Hemisphere as part of their national territory, or (b) are responsible for the conduct of the international relations of territories or groups of territories within the Western Hemisphere." The vote thus granted shall be on behalf of these territories and shall be contingent upon their making an equitable contribution to the budget of the Pan American Sanitary Organization. The privilege of voting on the Pan American Sanitary Organization budget thus

granted may be exercised either by the representative of such territories or by the representatives of the Member States of the World Health Organization referred to above.

3.To amend the Rules of Procedure of the Directing Council, in accordance with the recommendation of the Executive Committee, to provide, inter alia, that if the representative of a nonmember State of the Pan American Sanitary Organization is elected an officer at any meeting, such representative will not officiate in the sessions at which any of the matters mentioned in paragraph 1 is under discussion.

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