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NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS IN OFFICIAL RELATIONS WITH PAHO

1. According to the *Principles Governing Relations between the Pan American Health Organization and Nongovernmental Organizations*, "The Subcommittee on Program, Budget, and Administration will review applications received and submit a recommendation for action by the Executive Committee. It will also periodically review collaboration with NGOs and make recommendations to the Executive Committee concerning renewal of such collaboration."

Review of the Nongovernmental Organizations (NGOs) in Official Relations with PAHO

- 2. Paragraph 5 of the *Principles Governing Relations between the Pan American Health Organization and Nongovernmental Organizations* states that "The Subcommittee on Program, Budget, and Administration will normally review collaboration with each NGO with which PAHO has official working relations every four years and, based on the results of the biennial work plans and activities undertaken during the period under review and on the proposed work plan for the next four-year period, shall make a recommendation to the Executive Committee on the desirability of maintaining these relations."
- 3. There are 19 NGOs in official relations with PAHO.
- 4. The Subcommittee on Program, Budget, and Administration will review the following NGO at its First Session in March and recommend to the Executive Committee the continuation or not of official relations:

- Medical Confederation of Latin America and the Caribbean (CONFEMEL)
- 5. By Resolution CE136.R1 the Executive Committee resolved to admit the Medical Confederation of Latin America and the Caribbean (CONFEMEL) into official relations with PAHO, on the understanding that the action established in the agreement will be reviewed in 2007.

Applications Received

- 6. Paragraph 4.3 of the *Principles* states that "Applications from NGOs, made voluntarily or by invitation, should reach PAHO headquarters not later than the end of January in order to be considered by the Subcommittee on Program, Budget, and Administration in March and approved by the Executive Committee in June of the same year."
- 7. No applications from NGOs wishing to enter into official relations with PAHO were received by 31 January 2007 the deadline for applications to be considered in 2007.

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