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RESOLUTION

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ECONOMIC ASPECTS OF MALARIA ERADICATION

THE 12nd DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Taking into account the unfavorable effects on the countries' economies of the prevalence of malaria;

Considering that the technical and economic measures that should be taken by the Governments require, for the fullest achievement of their purposes, a better knowledge of the problems of malaria in each country; and

Considering that the lack of knowledge by economists constitutes a gap that must be filled in order to break the vicious circle of poverty and illness,

RESOLVES

1. To suggest to the Member Governments that, in their respective economic plans, recognition be given to the importance of the eradication of malaria in their territories and to its significance for improvement in the standard of living, especially that of rural people who live in areas having a high incidence of this disease.

- 2. To request the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to study, insofar as budgetary limitations permit, the possibility of devising methods for the evaluation, by the Member Governments, of the economic and social significance implicit in the speedy elimination of malaria.
- 3. To recommend that the Member Governments consider the possibility of extending such evaluation services to include all the programs conducted by their respective public health administrations.

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