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PAN AMERICAN FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE CENTER

In Resolution XXX of the XXI Pan American Sanitary Conference (1982) it was decided that the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center would remain a regular program of PAHO until the study proposed to PAHO by the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) was carried out and the Governing Bodies could decide on the matter.

The subject was discussed in the 90th Meeting of the Executive Committee (1983), at which time it was advised that IICA had completed its joint study with PAHO of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center, which would be presented to the II Regular Meeting of the Inter-American Board of Agriculture, to be held at Kingston, Jamaica, from 24 to 28 October 1983. In that meeting the Board discussed this matter in detail and passed a resolution (XXVII) on the study of a possible transfer of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center from PAHO to IICA, and adopting option D of this study that would keep the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center in the Pan American Health Organization and in permanent contact with IICA under a special agreement for proper coordination and operating arrangements between the two institutions.

In its XXIX Meeting (1983) the PAHO Directing Council approved Resolution XXVI supporting the Director in opening negotiations toward an agreement for cooperation between PAHO and IICA on the basis of option D, mentioned above, and requesting him to report on progress in those negotiations to the 92nd Meeting of the Executive Committee and the XXX Meeting of the Directing Council.

At the end of 1983 PAHO submitted to IICA for consideration a specific agreement between IICA and PAHO on the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center, a copy of which is annexed. Comments from IICA have not yet been forthcoming.

Annex

SPECIFIC AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION BETWEEN
THE INTER-AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR COOPERATION ON AGRICULTURE
AND THE PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION
IN RELATION TO THE PAN AMERICAN FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE CENTER

The Pan American Health Organization (hereinafter called "PAHO"), represented by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, Regional Office of the World Health Organization, in the person of its Director, Dr. Carlyle Guerra de Macedo, and

The Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (hereinafter called "IICA"), represented by its Director-General, Dr. Francisco Morillon Andrade,

Have signed the present Specific Agreement for Cooperation subject to the following considerations and clauses:

CONSIDERING:

That, by Resolution IICA/JIA___, the Inter-American Board of Agriculture has adopted option D of the Study on the Possibility of a Transfer of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center (PANAFTOSA) from PAHO to IICA, under which that transfer will not take place;

That that option refers to the advisability of a Special Agreement being concluded between PAHO and IICA for the coordination and adoption of suitable cooperative arrangements for the conduct of additional joint activities in the field of animal health;

—That in Resolution XXVI of its XXIX Meeting, the Directing Council of PAHO gave the Director its support in opening negotiations toward an agreement for cooperation between PAHO and IICA in relation to PANAFTOSA on the basis of option D;

That on 4 October 1983 PAHO and IICA signed a General Cooperation Agreement one of whose purposes is to contribute as effectively as possible to the prevention of animal diseases of importance in agriculture and threatening to human health;

That, as stated by the Governments of the Countries Members of the two Institutions, it is useful and necessary that the development cooperation agencies of the Inter-American System act in coordination and mutual complementation to maximize the effectiveness of their services,

HAVE AGREED:

FIRST CLAUSE. PURPOSE.

The purpose of the present Agreement is to establish a basis for cooperation between IICA and PAHO in relation to PANAFTOSA and the services that can be rendered to the Countries Members of IICA and PAHO in connection with foot-and-mouth disease and other viral diseases of animals.

SECOND CLAUSE. AREAS OF COOPERATION.

The projects and activities conducted by the Parties either jointly in or through PANAFTOSA shall be in areas of the diagnosis, research and control of foot-and-mouth disease and other animal viral diseases of interest and importance to the Region's agricultural economy.

THIRD CLAUSE. PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES.

PAHO and IICA shall draw up projects or outlines of projects for negotiation with the countries and, as appropriate, with other multinational technical cooperation agencies, for the procurement of human, technical, financial, legal and institutional resources, and to ensure their proper execution.

Both in the preparation of projects and in their execution and evaluation, the Parties will obtain the advice and support of their consultative bodies in the animal health field such as the Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Animal Health (RIMSA), the South American Commission for the Control of Foot-and-Mouth Disease (COSALFA) and the Scientific Advisory Committee on projects and activities in the case of PAHO, and, in the case of IICA, the Inter-American Commission on Animal Health (COINSA).

Both in the preparation and the execution of projects and activities, PAHO and IICA may allocate internal resources, personnel, premises, equipment and materials, to optimize the use of the installed capacities of the two institutions.

FOURTH CLAUSE. PARTICIPATION BY IICA IN PANAFTOSA

The Director of the IICA Animal Health Program shall be a permanent member of the PANAFTOSA Scientific Advisory Committee.

The parties may agree formally on other arrangements for participation in technical activities of PANAFTOSA following recommendations to that effect by the those responsible for the animal health programs of PAHO and IICA, and the Director of PANAFTOSA.

FIFTH CLAUSE. INSTRUMENTS.

The arrangements that may be adopted for execution of the activities envisaged in the present Agreement shall be:

- a. Studies and research on aspects of the areas of cooperation covered by this Agreement;
- b. Direct counseling by technical missions and individual experts;
- c. Technical cooperation (or financial cooperation, or both, as appropriate) in the joint planning and execution of projects and activities in the aforementioned areas of cooperation;
- d. Instruction in courses and seminars, in-service training, study tours and fellowships; and
- e. Information, through books, journals, bulletins, reports and other communication media.

SIXTH CLAUSE. EXECUTION OF THE AGREEMENT.

To the extent that it is possible and advisable, in executing the present Agreement the parties shall adhere to the following guidelines:

- a. The Direction of the IICA Animal Health Program and the Veterinary Public Health Program Coordination of PAHO shall maintain standing official contacts and serve as a Joint PAHO/IICA Committee on Animal Health;
- b. In keeping with paragraph (b) of the Fifth Clause, above, the execution of specific measures shall be governed by letters of understanding that must spell out, in each case, the purposes, means of action, arrangements for participation, obligations of each party, technical, financial, manpower and other contributions, budgets, including appropriate administrative and indirect technical costs, and other requisites for the normal and proper implementation of such agreements;
- c. As they deem necessary, the Parties may form technical groups and missions to study and propose the nature, intensity and scope of projects and activities carried out or to be carried out under the present Agreement;

- d. Specific operational agreements may be entered into with the participation of any other multilateral and bilateral agency or agencies for technical cooperation and financial assistance, or of governments of countries interested in the improvement of agriculture, rural development and health in Latin America and the Caribbean, and private agencies whose purposes are consistent with those of the Parties, as deemed useful and necessary by the Signatories of the present Agreement; and
- e. The Parties shall each extend to the other invitations to participate in technical and consultative meetings on matters relating to the present Agreement, the related expenses to be born by the Party invited.

SEVENTH CLAUSE. AMENDMENTS.

The terms of the present Agreement may be amended by express agreement between the Parties.

EIGHTH CLAUSE. ENTRY INTO FORCE AND DURATION.

The present Agreement shall enter into force on the date of its signature and shall remain in force for an indefinite period unless either Party advises the other, by means of a reasoned official communication, of its desire to terminate it, six months in advance of the intended date of such termination. Termination of the present Agreement shall not affect the continuation and completion of specific activities in progress under letters of understanding.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the present Agreement is signed in two equally authentic copies at the places and on the dates shown beneath the signatures.

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