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## FINAL REPORT

The XIX Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Health Organization, XXI Meeting of the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization, was held in the Headquarters building in Washington, D. C., from 29 September to 10 October 1969, as convoked by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and pursuant to Resolution II adopted by the Executive Committee at its 61st Meeting.

## PARTICIPANTS

The Meeting was opened by the President of the XVIII Meeting of the Directing Council, XX Meeting of the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization, Dr. Ezequiel Alberto Dago Holmberg, Secretary of State for Public Health of the Republic of Argentina. The following Governments were represented: Argentina, Barbados, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, France, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Kingdom of the Netherlands, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, Trinidad and Tobago, United Kingdom, United States of America, Uruguay, and Venezuela. The Government of Canada designated an official observer.

The Meeting was attended by Dr. A. M. M. Payne, Assistant Director-General of the World Health Organization, as well as by observers from the Organization of American States, the Inter-American Development Bank, the United Nations, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the United Nations Children's Fund, and the United Nations Development Program. Observers from twenty-two non-governmental organizations and other interested institutions were also present.

## INAUGURAL SESSION

The inaugural session was held on 29 September 1969 in the Council Chamber of the Headquarters building. It was attended by members of the Diplomatic Corps and representatives of international agencies and non-governmental organizations.

Addresses were delivered by Dr. Ezequiel Alberto Dago Holmberg, President of the XVIII Meeting of the Directing Council, XX Meeting of the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization; Mr. Galo Plaza, Secretary General of the Organization of American States; Dr. A. M. M. Payne, Assistant Director-General of the World Health Organization, and Dr. Abraham Horwitz, Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau.

## OFFICERS

The President, the two Vice-Presidents, and the Rapporteur were elected pursuant to Rule 18 of the Rules of Procedure. The officers were as follows:

<u>President:</u>	Dr. Sylvia Talbot	Guyana
<u>Vice-Presidents:</u>	Dr. Arnaldo Fernández Soto	Costa Rica
	Dr. Murillo B. Belchior	Brazil
<u>Rapporteur:</u>	Dr. Rogelio Valladares	Venezuela
<u>Secretary</u> <u>ex officio:</u>	Dr. Abraham Horwitz	Director, Pan American Sanitary Bureau

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

The Committee on Credentials, established pursuant to Rule 25 of the Rules of Procedure, was composed of the following members:

<u>Chairman:</u>	Dr. Mario Antonio Fernández Mena	Dominican Republic
<u>Rapporteur:</u>	Dr. Luis F. Gómez-Lince	Ecuador
<u>Member:</u>	Dr. Aníbal Grimaldo Carles	Panama

GENERAL COMMITTEE

The Representatives of Mexico, Peru and the United States of America, were elected to the General Committee, which, pursuant to Rule 26 of the Rules of Procedure, was composed as follows:

Dr. Sylvia Talbot President of the Council	Guyana
Dr. Arnolando Fernández Soto Vice-President of the Council	Costa Rica
Dr. Murillo B. Belchior Vice-President of the Council	Brazil
Dr. Rogelio Valladares Rapporteur of the Council	Venezuela
Dr. Pedro Daniel Martínez Representative	Mexico
Dr. David Tejada-de-Rivero Representative	Peru
Dr. S. Paul Ehrlich, Jr. Alternate Representative	United States of America

## AGENDA

Pursuant to Rule 10 of the Rules of Procedure, the Directing Council adopted at its second plenary session the Provisional Agenda (Document CE19/1, Rev. 2) submitted by the Director and, in so doing, included two additional items entitled "Brazilian Plan for the Coordination of Activities Relating to the Protection and Recovery of Health" which was proposed by the Government of Brazil, and "Emergency Situation in Honduras and El Salvador" which was proposed by the Director. In accordance with Rule 11 of the Rules of Procedure, the Directing Council approved at its fourteenth plenary session the addition of an item entitled "Control of Cigarette Smoking", which was proposed by the Government of Colombia.

## WORKING PARTIES

Three Working Parties were established. The first was entrusted with reviewing the suggested subjects for the Technical Discussions to be held during the XVIII Pan American Sanitary Conference, XXII Meeting of the Regional Committee of the World Health Organization for the Americas, and preparing a list of not more than three subjects for submission to the Plenary Meeting. It was composed of the Representatives of Guatemala, Jamaica, and Venezuela.

The second Working Party was appointed to prepare a draft resolution on Item 22 (Aedes aegypti Eradication) and was composed of the Representatives of Jamaica, Mexico, United States of Americas, and Venezuela.





WORKING PARTY II

Moderator:

Dr. Ignacio Avila Cisneros Mexico

Rapporteur:

Dr. Héctor Trajano Arias Albán Venezuela

Technical Secretary:

Dr. José Luis García Gutiérrez  
Department of Special Technical  
Services, Pan American  
Sanitary Bureau

The panel members appointed by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau were as follows:

Mrs. Lucila Leal de Araújo

Dr. Juan José Barrenechea

The report of the Technical Discussions was submitted to the seventeenth plenary session, which adopted a resolution on it.

SESSIONS

The Directing Council held an inaugural session, seventeen plenary sessions, and a closing session; the Committee on Credentials held five sessions; and the General Committee eight sessions.

RESOLUTIONS APPROVED

In the course of the meeting, the Directing Council approved the following resolutions:

RESOLUTION I

REVIEW OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE GOVERNING  
BODIES OF THE PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the report of the Director (Document CD19/13) prepared in implementation of Resolution XV of the XVIII Meeting of the Directing Council;

Taking into consideration that similar changes have already been implemented in the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Committee;

Bearing in mind the recommendation adopted in Resolution I of the 61st Meeting of the Executive Committee; and

Bearing in mind the provisions of Rule 58 of the Rules of Procedure of the Directing Council and Rule 61 of the Rules of Procedure of the Conference,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve the changes in the Rules of Procedure of the Directing Council as they appear in Document CE61/11, (Annex II), with Rule 23, approved as amended during the consideration of the document.

2. To transmit to the XVIII Pan American Sanitary Conference Document CE61/11 and to recommend its favorable consideration of the proposed changes in the Rules of Procedure of the Conference (Annex III), with Rules 1 and 37, approved as amended during the consideration of the document.

(Approved at the second plenary session,  
29 September 1969)

RESOLUTION II

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having reviewed the Annual Report of the Chairman of the Executive Committee, Dr. Orontes Avilés (Document CD19/20 and Document CD19/20, Addendum I), on the work of that Governing Body during the period that has elapsed since the XVIII Meeting of the Directing Council; and

Bearing in mind the provisions of Article 9-C of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization,

RESOLVES:

To approve the Report of the Chairman of the Executive Committee, Dr. Orontes Avilés (Document CD19/20 and Document CD19/20, Addendum I), and to commend him and the other Members of the Committee on the work accomplished.

(Approved at the fourth plenary session,  
30 September 1969)

RESOLUTION III

APPLICATION OF ARTICLE 6-B OF THE PAHO CONSTITUTION

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Noting that four Governments have quotas in arrears more than two years, and are thus subject to Article 6-B of the PAHO Constitution, and that three of these Governments have sent representatives to the XIX Meeting of the Directing Council; and

Having examined the efforts made by these Governments to meet their obligations,

RESOLVES:

That Bolivia, the Dominican Republic, and Haiti shall have the right to vote in this XIX Meeting of the Directing Council.

(Approved at the fourth plenary session,  
30 September 1969)

RESOLUTION IV

COLLECTION OF QUOTA CONTRIBUTIONS

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the Report on the Collection of Quota Contributions (Document CD19/6 and CD19/6, ADD.I and II), as well as the information and comments on quotas contained in the Financial Report of the Director, and the Report of the External Auditor for 1968 (Official Document No. 91);

Having noted with satisfaction that the total amount in arrears more than one year is, on a percentage basis, the lowest in the last ten years, but noting with concern that the number of countries in arrears more than two years has not diminished; and

Considering the importance of obtaining the full support of all Governments for the program of the Organization through prompt and full payment of quota contributions,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the Report on the Collection of Quota Contributions (Document CD19/6 and CD19/6, ADD.I and II), and the information and comments on quotas contained in the Financial Report of the Director, and the Report of the External Auditor for 1968 (Official Document No. 91).

2. To thank the Governments and the Director for the success achieved in bringing the level of arrears to the lowest in many years.

3. To express concern about the number of Governments in arrears more than two years and to recommend to those Governments that they fulfill their financial plans for the payment of arrears within a definite period.

4. To request the Director to continue to inform the Governments on the status of quota collections and bring to their attention the importance of unanimous support of the program of the Organization, through the full and prompt payment of quota contributions by each Member Government.

(Approved at the sixth plenary session,  
1 October 1969)



RESOLUTION V

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR  
AND REPORT OF THE EXTERNAL AUDITOR FOR 1968

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having examined the Financial Report of the Director and the Report of the External Auditor for the fiscal year 1968 (Official Document No. 91);

Noting with satisfaction that the Organization continues to be in sound financial condition, reflecting the facts that the total amount of quotas in arrears more than one year is the lowest in many years and that the level of the Working Capital Fund and the reserve for termination costs were both increased;

Observing that the External Auditor, in accordance with the provisions of Article 12.6 of the Financial Regulations, has made positive comments with respect to the efficiency of the administrative, financial, and accounting procedures and controls,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve the Financial Report of the Director and the Report of the External Auditor for 1968 (Official Document No. 91).
2. To commend the Director for having achieved and maintained a sound financial condition through the consistent application of the policies for maintaining budgetary expenditures within income, building up the Working Capital Fund and the reserves for termination costs.
3. To thank the External Auditor for including in his Report the necessary and appropriate observations with respect to the efficiency of the administrative, financial, and accounting procedures and controls.

(Approved at the seventh plenary session,  
2 October 1969)

RESOLUTION VI

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE  
PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the 1968 Annual Report of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, Regional Office of the World Health Organization for the Americas (Official Document No. 95);

Bearing in mind the statements of the Representatives emphasizing the valuable support given by the Pan American Health Organization to efforts of the countries to raise the level of living of the population;

Bearing in mind also the concern expressed by the Representatives about the persistence of problems of sanitation, communicable disease, and nutrition and the complexity of the situation in the region where the health services in the countries have achieved different levels of development; and

Taking into account the provisions of Article 4-F of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve the Annual Report of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau for 1968 (Official Document No. 95), and to commend him and his staff for the excellent work done during the year.

2. To recommend to the Member Governments that they make a careful review of the health situation in their countries so as to determine the priority areas in which the work of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau can be most effective.

3. To recommend to the Member Governments that they regard the Annual Reports of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau as working documents of regional importance, indicating where the interests and efforts of each country fit into the welfare of the countries of the Americas as a whole.

(Approved at the seventh plenary session,  
2 October 1969)

RESOLUTION VII

APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

RESOLVES:

1. To appropriate for the financial year 1970 an amount of \$15,475,578 as follows:

PART I	ORGANIZATIONAL MEETINGS	\$ 334,205
PART II	HEADQUARTERS	3,192,260
PART III	FIELD AND OTHER PROGRAMS	8,604,938
PART IV	SPECIAL FUND FOR HEALTH PROMOTION	250,000
PART V	INCREASE TO ASSETS	150,000
Subtotal -	Parts I - V	<u>\$12,531,403</u>
PART VI	PAN AMERICAN FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE CENTER	<u>1,320,716</u>
Effective Working Budget (Parts I-VI)		<u>\$13,852,119</u> =====
PART VII	STAFF ASSESSMENT (Transfer to Tax Equalization Fund)	<u>1,623,459</u>
Total -	All Parts	<u>\$15,475,578</u> =====

2. That the appropriation shall be financed from:	
a. Assessments in respect to:	\$15,270,578
Member Governments and Participating	
Governments assessed under the scale	
adopted by the Council of the Organization	
of American States in accordance with	
Article 60 of the Pan American Sanitary Code	
or in accordance with the Directing Council	
resolutions	
b. Miscellaneous Income	\$ 205,000
Total	<u>\$15,475,578</u> =====

In establishing the contributions of individual Governments and Participating Governments, their assessments shall be reduced further by the amount standing to their credit in the Tax Equalization Fund, except that credits of those Governments who levy taxes on the emoluments received from the Pan American Health Organization by their nationals and residents shall be reduced by the amounts of such tax reimbursements by the Organization.

3. That, in accordance with the Financial Regulations of the Organization, amounts not exceeding the appropriations noted under paragraph 1 shall be available for the payment of obligations incurred during the period 1 January to 31 December 1970 inclusive. Notwithstanding the provision of this paragraph, obligations during the financial year 1970 shall be limited to the effective working budget, i.e., Parts I-VI.

4. That the Director shall be authorized to transfer credits between parts of the effective working budget, provided that such transfers of credits between parts as are made do not exceed ten per cent of the part from which the credit is transferred. Transfers of credits between parts of the budget in excess of ten per cent of the part from which the credit is transferred may be made with the concurrence of the Executive Committee. All transfers of budget credits shall be reported to the Directing Council.

(Approved at the tenth plenary session,  
3 October 1969)

RESOLUTION VIII

OBJECTIVES, FUNCTIONS AND FINANCING OF INCAP

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Recognizing that nutrition has a high priority in national health services in the Hemisphere;

Seeing that there is a gradual increase in the demand for improved health, in particular for specialized nutrition and consultation services as well as for applied research in this field;

Considering that over the years INCAP has gained excellent experience in providing needed nutrition services both in Central America and in the rest of the Hemisphere; and

Acknowledging that the needs of INCAP must be considered within the overall nutrition program of the Americas and the total resources available to support that program,



RESOLVES:

1. To recommend to the Director that he provide INCAP with assistance in reorientating its present programs in order to better meet the needs of present INCAP Members and the remaining countries of the Continent.

2. To recommend that the Director continue to seek funds for INCAP from its traditional sources and increase, to the extent the budget of the Organization so permits, the annual grant which is made to the Institute to enable it to effectively carry out the proposed expansion of its services.

3. To recommend that the INCAP program and budget be adjusted to coincide with estimated resources.

(Approved at the tenth plenary session,  
3 October 1969)

RESOLUTION IX

NUTRITION PROGRAM IN THE AMERICAS

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Considering that human malnutrition continues to be a major problem of health and welfare for many populations of this Continent;  
and

Considering that present demographic and food production trends indicate that this problem might become more serious in the future,

RESOLVES:

1. To recommend to the Pan American Sanitary Bureau that it continue to give high priority to this program and that it assign corresponding resources to provide the services required for effective action, especially in the formulation of national food and nutrition policies.

2. To recommend to the Member Governments that national food and nutrition policies be formulated according to suggested guidelines

as soon as possible with the objective of controlling the problem of malnutrition, thus reducing the costs of health care and allowing reassignment and more efficient use of resources.

(Approved at the tenth plenary session,  
3 October 1969)

RESOLUTION X

USE OF THE RESOURCES OF THE WORLD FOOD PROGRAM FOR HEALTH PROGRAMS.  
PRELIMINARY REPORT

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the preliminary report of the Director on the use of resources of the World Food Program for health programs (Document CD19/17);

Bearing in mind the level of the present contribution of the Program to the health sector and the possibility that this contribution may be substantially increased;

Considering that if good results are to be obtained from this Program, the conditions for operating it in each country must be advantageous;

Taking into account the possible effects of the supply of food under the World Food Program may have on the development of national and regional agricultural and industrial programs; and

Bearing in mind the recommendation of the Executive Committee,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the preliminary report of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau on the use of the resources of the World Food Program for health programs and to express its interest in the possibilities set forth in that document.

2. To recommend to the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau that he continue to encourage the use of the resources of the World Food Program and to provide those Governments that request it with assistance in preparing applications for aid from the Program.

3. To recommend to the Governments that they study the availability of the transportation and food storage and distribution facilities necessary for operating the Program.

4. To recommend to the Governments that, in studying the possible effects of the World Food Program on national plans for the production and marketing of foodstuffs, due priority be given to the food needs of the population.

(Approved at the tenth plenary session,  
3 October 1969)

RESOLUTION XI

EMERGENCY SITUATION IN HONDURAS AND EL SALVADOR

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered Document CD19/25 on the Inter-American Emergency Aid Fund and the emergency situation in Honduras and El Salvador;

Bearing in mind the action taken by the Secretary General of the Organization of American States and by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau in this situation; and

Bearing in mind the statements made by the Representatives at this Meeting of the Council,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the establishment of the Inter-American Emergency Aid Fund and of its Statutes.

2. To thank the Secretary General of the OAS for promptly making available the necessary funds for carrying out the purposes of the Inter-American Emergency Aid Fund.

3. To thank the Governments that have provided Honduras and El Salvador, either through PAHO or on their own account, with effective assistance in the form of manpower or material resources for improving health conditions in the areas effected by the emergency.

4. To express its satisfaction with the action taken by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, and to authorize him, in accordance with Article 6.5 of the Financial Regulations of the Pan American Health Organization, to make an advance of up to \$100,000 from the Working Capital Fund for the purpose of providing Honduras and El Salvador with assistance if the urgency of the situation so requires.

(Approved at the tenth plenary session,  
3 october 1969)

RESOLUTION XII

LABORATORY COLONIES OF Aedes aegypti

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Bearing in mind that the XVII Pan American Sanitary Conference in Resolution XX established that in order for a country to be declared by the Governing Bodies of the Pan American Health Organization to be free of Aedes aegypti it must not permit the existence of any colony of the mosquito in its territory except in areas ecologically unfavorable to the vector and subject to conditions making it impossible for the country to be reinfested by Aedes aegypti from those colonies;

Considering that in the same resolution the Conference recommended the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to convene a group of experts to establish the conditions which colonies of the mosquito must satisfy if their presence in the ecologically unfavorable areas of a country is not to prevent that country from being considered free of Aedes aegypti;



Bearing in mind that pursuant to this recommendation the Bureau sponsored the meeting of a Working Group on Laboratory Colonies of Aedes aegypti at PAHO Headquarters in Washington from 17 to 19 July 1967;

Having examined the report prepared by the Working Group in question (CD19/7, Annex) containing detailed conditions governing the establishment and operation of colonies of Aedes aegypti and specifying the security and surveillance measures required to avoid reinfestation from those colonies; and

Considering that the conditions and measures in question are adequate for the purpose intended,

RESOLVES:

1. To reiterate that in addition to the eradication requirements established by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau and included in the "Guide for the Reports on the Aedes aegypti Eradication Campaign in the Americas" (Misc. Publication No. 49, Pan American Health Organization, Washington, D. C. 1960), in order to be considered by the Governing Bodies to be free of the vector, a country must satisfy the following conditions:

(a) To eliminate all colonies of Aedes aegypti that exist from areas in their territory in which the ecological conditions are favorable to the development of the vector;

(b) Not to permit the existence of any colony of the mosquito except in recognized research centers, situated in areas that are ecologically unfavorable to the vector;

(c) To ensure that colonies of the vector existing in those unfavorable areas are permanently maintained in such a way as not to allow the country to be reinfested by Aedes aegypti from those colonies.

2. To approve the conditions and security measures recommended by the Working Group on Laboratory Colonies of Aedes aegypti (Document CD19/7, Annex) for the establishment, operation and inspection of colonies of the mosquito.

3. To adopt those standards and security measures which colonies of Aedes aegypti must satisfy if their presence in ecologically unfavorable areas of a country is not to prevent that country from being declared free of the vector by the Governing Bodies of the Pan American Health Organization.

4. To recommend interested Governments to prepare and promulgate as rapidly as possible the regulations needed to ensure that such colonies of Aedes aegypti as Governments may decide to allow in their particular countries comply with the above-mentioned conditions and security measures.

(Approved at the tenth plenary session,  
3 October 1969)

RESOLUTION XIII

PROVISIONAL DRAFT OF THE PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET ESTIMATES OF THE  
PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION FOR 1971

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having studied in detail Official Document No. 92, submitted by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, which contains the provisional draft that is to constitute the basis for the preparation of the Proposed Program and Budget Estimates for the Pan American Health Organization for 1971 to be considered by the 64th Meeting of the Executive Committee and by the XVIII Pan American Sanitary Conference; and

Recognizing that the provisional draft of the Proposed Program and Budget Estimates contains soundly conceived and much needed health projects,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the provisional draft of the Proposed Program and Budget Estimates of the Pan American Health Organization for 1971, appearing in Official Document No. 92.

2. To request the Director to use the provisional draft as a basis for preparation of the Program and Budget for 1971, after further consultations with Governments to determine their latest desires and requirements in relation to the priorities of the Organization.

3. To request the Executive Committee to make a detailed examination of the revised program and budget for 1971 to be presented by the Director, after further consultations with Governments, and to submit their recommendations thereon to the XVIII Pan American Sanitary Conference.

(Approved at the thirteenth plenary session,  
6 October 1969)

RESOLUTION XIV

PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET ESTIMATES OF THE WORLD HEALTH  
ORGANIZATION FOR THE REGION OF THE AMERICAS FOR 1971

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered Official Document No. 92, submitted by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, which contains the Proposed Program and Budget Estimates of the World Health Organization for the Region of the Americas for 1971;

Bearing in mind that the Proposed Program and Budget Estimates are submitted to the Directing Council, Regional Committee of the World Health Organization, for review and transmittal to the Director-General of the Organization so that he may take them into account in preparing the Budget Estimates of WHO for 1971; and

Noting the recommendations of the Executive Committee in its 62nd Meeting,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve the Proposed Program and Budget Estimates of the World Health Organization for the Region of the Americas for 1971, appearing in Official Document No. 92, and request the Regional Director to transmit them to the Director-General of the Organization so that he may take them into account in preparing the WHO Budget Estimates for 1971.

2. To request the Regional Director to transmit to the Director-General a request that he maintain the level of the WHO budgetary appropriation for malaria eradication in the Americas by increasing the appropriate allotment in the WHO Regular Budget to the extent necessary to offset any reduction in the allotment from the WHO Malaria Eradication Special Account.

(Approved at the thirteenth plenary session,  
6 October 1969)

RESOLUTION XV

ELECTION OF THREE MEMBER GOVERNMENTS TO THE EXECUTIVE  
COMMITTEE ON THE TERMINATION OF THE PERIODS OF OFFICE  
OF BRAZIL, COLOMBIA, AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Considering the provisions of Article 9-B of the Constitution  
of the Pan American Health Organization; and

Considering that the Governments of Guyana, Peru and Venezuela  
were elected to the Executive Committee on the termination of the  
periods of office of Brazil, Colombia, and the United States of America,

RESOLVES:

1. To declare the Governments of Guyana, Peru and Venezuela  
elected to the Executive Committee for a period of three years.
2. To thank the Governments of Brazil, Colombia, and the  
United States of America for the services rendered to the Organization  
by their representatives on the Executive Committee.

(Approved at the thirteenth plenary session,  
6 October 1969)

## RESOLUTION XVI

ASSESSMENTS OF THE MEMBER GOVERNMENTS AND PARTICIPATING GOVERNMENTS OF THE  
PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION

WHEREAS, Member Governments appearing in the scale adopted by the Council of the Organization of American States are assessed according to the percentages shown in that scale, in compliance with Article 60 of the Pan American Sanitary Code; and,

WHEREAS, other Member Governments and Participating Governments are assessed in accordance with Resolutions XXVII and XXVIII of the XVII Directing Council; now, therefore,

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

## RESOLVES:

To establish the assessments of the Member Governments and Participating Governments of the Pan American Health Organization for 1970 in accordance with the scale of quotas shown below and in the corresponding amounts.

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Country	OAS Scale %	Gross Assessment US\$	Credit from Tax Equalization Fund US\$	Adjustment for Taxes Imposed by Member Governments on Emoluments of PAHO Staff US\$	Net Assessment US\$
Argentina	7.18	1,083,534	115,193	-	968,341
Barbados	0.08	12,072	1,283	-	10,789
Bolivia	0.31	46,782	4,974	-	41,808
Brazil	6.87	1,036,750	110,219	-	926,531
Chile	1.77	267,111	28,397	-	238,714
Colombia	1.54	232,402	24,707	339	208,034
Costa Rica	0.31	46,782	4,974	-	41,808
Cuba	1.46	220,329	23,424	-	196,905
Dominican Republic	0.31	46,782	4,974	-	41,808
Ecuador	0.31	46,782	4,974	-	41,808
El Salvador	0.31	46,782	4,974	-	41,808
Guatemala	0.39	58,855	6,257	-	52,598
Haiti	0.31	46,782	4,974	-	41,808
Honduras	0.31	46,782	4,974	-	41,808
Mexico	6.71	1,012,606	107,652	-	904,954
Nicaragua	0.31	46,782	4,974	-	41,808
Panama	0.31	46,782	4,974	-	41,808
Paraguay	0.31	46,782	4,974	-	41,808
Peru	0.77	116,202	12,354	-	103,848
Trinidad and Tobago	0.31	46,782	4,974	-	41,808
United States of America	66.00	9,960,055	1,058,880	362,382	9,263,557
Uruguay	0.69	104,128	11,070	-	93,058
Venezuela	3.13	472,349	50,217	269	422,401
Subtotal	100.00	15,090,995	1,604,367	362,990	13,849,618
	Equivalent Percentages				
<b>Other Member Governments</b>					
Guyana	0.21	31,691	3,369	-	28,322
Jamaica	0.31	46,782	4,974	-	41,808
<b>Participating Governments</b>					
France	0.22	33,200	3,530	-	29,670
Kingdom of the Netherlands	0.19	28,673	3,048	-	25,625
United Kingdom	0.26	39,237	4,171	-	35,066
Subtotal		179,583	19,092	-	160,491
Total Assessments - All Countries		15,270,578	1,623,459	362,990	14,010,109

(2) This column includes the OAS percentages adding to 100 per cent and the equivalent percentages applicable to other Member Governments and Participating Governments. The OAS scale minimum assessment is 0.31 per cent or per capita contribution equal to that of the largest contributor, whichever is smaller.

(5) This column includes estimated amounts to be received by the respective Member Governments in 1970 in respect of taxes levied by them on staff members' emoluments received from the PAHO, adjusted for any difference between estimate and actual for the second preceding year.

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8 October 1969)



RESOLUTION XVII

MALARIA ERADICATION

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the XVII Report of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau on the status of malaria eradication in the Americas (Document CD19/2);

Bearing in mind Resolution WHA22.39 of the Twenty-second World Health Assembly on the revision of the strategy of malaria eradication;

Cognizant of the progress made in 1968 in shifting new areas into the consolidation and maintenance phases and in protecting all the malarious areas for the first time, even though administrative and financial difficulties persist;

Taking into account that there are areas with technical problems the extent and origin of which are in large measure known and that investigations have shown that there are effective methods for solving some of these problems;

Aware of the importance of the work of the general health services, especially in areas in the maintenance and consolidation phases;

Considering that some countries have or are preparing overall economic development plans that provide for activities in malarious areas;

Bearing in mind that, if malaria eradication programs are to be given appropriate priority in the assignment of funds, their economic value must be demonstrated; and

Considering that the Governments have received valuable assistance from some international agencies,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the XVII Report on the Status of Malaria Eradication in the Americas (Document CD19/2).
2. To request the Director to assist the Director-General of the World Health Organization in applying the new world-wide strategy for malaria eradication.
3. To express to the Governments its satisfaction with the progress made by the malaria eradication program and to urge them to continue to take the necessary steps to ensure that these programs are properly financed and efficiently administered and that the most effective methods are promptly used.

4. To recommend to the Governments and to international agencies that they continue to undertake and encourage research designed to identify, study, and solve present and potential technical problems.

5. To request the Governments to strengthen the coordination of the malaria eradication and general health services and to ensure that the transfer to the general health services of the responsibility for malaria surveillance activities is carefully planned so as to avoid unfavorable repercussions.

6. To remind the Governments of the importance of malaria eradication programs, as part of the health sector, in the overall economic development plan and to request them, as well as international agencies, to continue research on the economic and social effects of malaria and malaria eradication.

7. To thank PASB, WHO, UNICEF, and the United States Agency for International Development for their assistance to the Governments in their 1968 campaigns.

8. To express at the same time its concern over the tendency of voluntary cooperation, and the cooperation of some international agencies in financing malaria eradication program activities, to decline and to request the authorities concerned to reconsider their policy of regional and world collaboration for this program.

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8 October 1969)

RESOLUTION XVIII

REPORT OF THE STUDY GROUP ON THE COORDINATION  
OF THE MEDICAL CARE SERVICES OF MINISTRIES OF HEALTH,  
SOCIAL SECURITY INSTITUTES, AND UNIVERSITIES

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having examined the report of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau apprising the Directing Council of the report of the Study Group on the Coordination of Medical Care Services of Ministries of Health, Social Security Institutes, and Universities, jointly convened by the Organization of American States and the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, which met in Washington, D. C. from 4 to 8 August 1969,

RESOLVES:

1. To thank the members of the Study Group for their work.
2. To thank the Organization of American States for its assistance in organizing the meeting.
3. To confirm the recommendations of the Study Group.

4. To recommend to the Director that he give the report the widest possible circulation so that the health authorities of the countries of the Americas may take it into account in organizing their national health services.

5. To recommend to the Director that he organize zone meetings of senior health, social security, and medical education officials for the purpose of discussing how and to what extent the recommendations of the Study Group can be applied in the countries concerned.

(Approved at the fifteenth plenary session,  
8 October 1969)

RESOLUTION XIX

PAHO REGIONAL LIBRARY OF MEDICINE

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the report on the status of the PAHO Regional Library of Medicine (Document CD19/8), and the report of the second meeting of its Scientific Advisory Committee (Document RD8/16);

Having noted the rapid progress made by the Regional Library in the first eight months of its regional services to Brazil;

Noting with concern that the demand for library services is already such that it is becoming difficult to satisfy it efficiently; and

Considering that there are bibliographical centers and libraries in the Member Countries of the Organization that could be used for a program of this kind,

RESOLVES:

1. To congratulate the Director and his staff on the progress attained, which has enabled the Regional Library to become an active center for biomedical communications.

2. To thank the Government of Brazil, the United States National Library of Medicine, the Commonwealth Fund, and the Pan American Federation of Associations of Medical Schools for the excellent cooperation they have extended to the Regional Library.

3. To instruct the Director to give the highest priority in the further development of the Library to planning its activities, establishing a sound internal organization staffed by a sufficient number of well trained personnel, and improving the basic collection, in accordance with recommendations of the Scientific Advisory Committee of the Library (Document RD8/16).

4. To instruct the Director to submit each year to the Executive Committee the program and budget of the Regional Library for the following year.

5. To instruct the Director to explore all possibilities of supplementing the financing of the Library with national, international, and private funds and to make a study of partial self-financing based on specific payment by the countries for the use of certain services offered by the Library.

6. To emphasize the need to begin the program for training the staff in modern procedures for the collection, classification, and use of bibliographical information in the biomedical sciences, for which provision is made in the plans of the Regional Library of Medicine.

7. To recommend to the Director that he study the possibility of increasing the resources of the Regional Library by incorporating into the program other bibliographical centers and libraries in other Member Countries of the Organization.

(Approved at the sixteenth plenary session,  
9 October 1969)



RESOLUTION XX

BRAZILIAN PLAN FOR THE COORDINATION OF ACTIVITIES  
RELATING TO THE PROTECTION AND RECOVERY OF HEALTH

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Considering the presentation made by the Representative of Brazil on the Plan for the Coordination of Activities Relating to the Protection and Recovery of Health, which is being put into effect in his country;

Bearing in mind that, in its general lines, this plan follows the ideas embodied in Resolution XX of the XVII Meeting of the Directing Council of the Organization and the recommendations in Section VIII of the Final Report of the Special Meeting of Ministers of Health of the Americas, held in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in October 1968; and

Considering that the plan provides administrative machinery which is a new experiment for the country in the health field and is worthy of study,

RESOLVES:

To take note of the Brazilian Plan for the Coordination of Activities Relating to the Protection and Recovery of Health and of the steps taken to put it into practice, and to thank the Brazilian Government for the paper on the subject read at this meeting of the Directing Council.

(Approved at the sixteenth plenary session,  
9 October 1969)

RESOLUTION XXI

AMENDMENTS TO THE STAFF RULES OF THE  
PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Bearing in mind the provisions of Staff Regulation 12.2,

RESOLVES:

To take note of the amendments to the Staff Rules of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau presented by the Director in the Annex to Document CE61/8, and approved by the Executive Committee at its 61st Meeting with the effective date of 1 January 1969.

(Approved at the sixteenth plenary session,  
9 October 1969)

RESOLUTION XXII

SALARY OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE PAN AMERICAN SANITARY BUREAU

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Considering the revisions that were made as from 1 January 1969 in the salary scales for internationally recruited staff in graded posts;

Having noted the action taken by the Executive Committee at its 61st Meeting to establish the annual salary of the Deputy Director and the Assistant Director; and

Bearing in mind the importance of the Pan American Health Organization as the specialized agency for health in the Organization of American States system, and the weight of the executive and technical responsibility involved in the direction of PAHO/WHO activities in the Americas,

RESOLVES:

To establish the net salary of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau at the level of \$25,225 per annum, with effect from 1 January 1969.

(Approved at the sixteenth plenary session,  
9 October 1969)

RESOLUTION XXIII

AEDES AEGYPTI

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Recognizing that the prevention or control of urban yellow fever, dengue, and other diseases transmitted by Aedes aegypti are of serious concern to all Members of the Organization;

Noting the successes in some of the Member Countries in the programs to eradicate Aedes aegypti, but fully cognizant of the continuing problem of reinfestation in areas that had been cleared;

Considering that the hemispheric campaign to eradicate Aedes aegypti has in the last few years encountered serious obstacles; and

Recognizing that control of diseases transmitted by Aedes aegypti must be a hemisphere-wide coordinated program,

RESOLVES:

1. To request the Director to sponsor a complete in-depth study of the strategy and methods of preventing the diseases transmitted by Aedes aegypti, and to this end:

- a. Name, as quickly as possible, while continuing assistance to ongoing programs, a multidisciplinary group to review the present strategy for the prevention and control of diseases transmitted by Aedes aegypti in the Americas, and as necessary define the objectives and guidelines of a study that would examine all possible alternative systems, including the public health and economic consequences of the different systems.
- b. Engage an independent agency to carry out as necessary the study defined by the multidisciplinary group and provide that agency with all assistance needed to obtain the facts, and professional technical advice required, presenting an assessment of the various alternatives - the relevancy of which should be based upon a cost/benefit analysis.
- c. Present the results of these studies to the XVIII Pan American Sanitary Conference with interim progress report to the 64th Meeting of the Executive Committee.

2. To request the Director to seek through voluntary contributions the funds to cover the costs of this study.

3. To recommend to Governments that, independently of the results of this study, they continue to give all possible support to programs of Aedes aegypti eradication and to take appropriate measures to safeguard the gains already obtained.

(Approved at the seventeenth plenary session,  
9 October 1969)

RESOLUTION XXIV

FLUORIDATION OF PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the report on the fluoridation of public water supplies (CD19/21), submitted by the Director in accordance with Resolution X of the 61st Meeting of the Executive Committee;

Considering that dental caries is an important public health problem in all Member Countries; and

Considering that the Twenty-second World Health Assembly made a thorough analysis of this problem, and recommended to the Member States that they examine the possibility of introducing the fluoridation of public water supplies where the fluoride intake from such sources is below optimum levels,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the report of the Director on the present status of fluoridation of public water supplies, including financing, in the various countries.



2. To take note of the recommendations of the Twenty-second World Health Assembly on the fluoridation of public water supplies.

3. To urge the national water authorities to take the necessary measures to introduce fluoridation of public water supply systems where the fluoride intake from such sources is below optimum levels.

4. To recommend to the Director that he continue to promote the fluoridation program and, in particular, to the training of personnel in this field.

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9 October 1969)

RESOLUTION XXV

STUDY OF THE PREPARATION OF DRUGS AND BIOLOGICAL PRODUCTS, PRODUCTION AND  
MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT AND INSTRUMENTS FOR HEALTH PROGRAMS

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having examined Resolution VIII adopted by the Executive Committee  
at its 61st Meeting;

Bearing in mind the report by the Director of the Bureau  
(Document CD19/21) on the study of the production of drugs and the manu-  
facture and maintenance of equipment and instruments for health programs; and

Considering also Resolution XII of the XVI Meeting of the Directing  
Council, which made Recommendations C.1 and C.2 of the Task Force on  
Health that met in Washington, D. C. in April 1963 part of the policy of  
the Organization,

RESOLVES:

To recommend to the Director that he request the Governments to  
consider the possibility of having such studies carried out in their

particular countries, with the technical assistance of the Bureau, provided the costs involved were borne by the country concerned.

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9 October 1969)

RESOLUTION XXVI

STRENGTHENING OF THE PROCESS OF PROGRAM  
AND PROJECT EVALUATION

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the Director's report on the process of evaluation in the Organization submitted in Document CD19/21;

Recognizing the importance of evaluation of all the programs and projects operated by the Governments in collaboration with the Organization;

Recognizing that the active participation of the Member Governments is essential for the initiation and improvement of the evaluation process;  
and

Having studied Resolution XIII of the XV Meeting of the Directing Council, Resolution XIII of the 61st Meeting of the Executive Committee, and the views expressed during the discussions of the subject,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the Director's report on the evaluation process (Document CD19/21) and place on record its satisfaction with the progress made.
2. To request the Director to continue his efforts to improve the evaluation procedure and ensure its application to all projects and programs, paying special attention to projects of long duration as well as to those which are about to terminate but whose extension is contemplated.
3. To call upon the Governments to participate to the utmost in strengthening the evaluation process introduced by the Organization.

(Approved at the seventeenth plenary session,  
9 October 1969)

RESOLUTION XXVII

LONG-TERM PLANNING AND EVALUATION

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having seen Resolution WHA22.53 on long-term health planning, biennial programming, and improvement and strengthening of evaluation procedures;

Considering that the PAHO Annual Budget is the practical expression of its policy and programs within the Hemisphere and that it is desirable to continually improve the procedure for preparing the budget with the participation of the Governments, the Secretariat, and the Governing Bodies of the Organization;

Having studied Document CE61/14 on long-term planning and evaluation and the summary account of the proposed method in the document entitled "Plan for the Preparation of Four-year Projections";

Having duly noted Resolution XIV of the 61st Meeting of the Executive Committee, recommending to the Directing Council that it approve the report of the Director on this item and urging the countries to collaborate with the Bureau in applying the proposed procedure;

Bearing in mind that the assistance activities of the Organization must be planned within the same frame of reference as is used by the countries in formulating their health policies and in defining priority health problems;

Cognizant of Document CD19/21 on the strengthening of the evaluation process; and

Bearing in mind that long-term activities of the Bureau must be closely coordinated with those of other agencies involved in the social and economic development of the Region,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve the report of the Director on long-term planning and evaluation as well as the proposed method for making four-year projections of the assistance activities of the Organization.
2. To urge Member Countries to actively participate in the joint planning process based on the proposed method.
3. To recommend to the Director that he prepare long-term plans and the corresponding budget estimates for PAHO/WHO assistance activities at both the country and the regional level, bearing in mind the guidelines and stages proposed by the World Health Assembly in Resolution WHA22.53.
4. To bring to the attention of the Governments Resolution XXVI on strengthening program and project evaluation procedures in which the processes of long-term planning and evaluation are complemented.

5. To recommend to the Director that, in the course of long-term planning, he endeavor to strengthen liaison with agencies of the inter-American system and other agencies involved in the social and economic development of the Region.

6. To request the Director to report to the 64th Meeting of the Executive Committee on progress in implementing the planning process, including the participation of Member Countries.

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9 October 1969)



RESOLUTION XXVIII

HEALTH LEGISLATION

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having examined Document CD19/21 containing the preliminary report submitted to the 61st Meeting of the Executive Committee (Document CE61/4), in which the Director gives an account of the steps taken in compliance with the recommendation by the Special Meeting of Ministers of Health of the Americas that studies be made on the status of health legislation in the Americas; and

Taking note of Resolution XV of the 61st Meeting of the Executive Committee,

RESOLVES:

1. To ask the Director to continue the comparative study of health legislation in the Americas and to submit it to the Executive Committee at its 64th Meeting.

2. To urge the health authorities of the Member Countries  
to collaborate and assist in the study in question.

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9 October 1969)

RESOLUTION XXIX

BUILDINGS AND INSTALLATIONS

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the Report of the Director on Buildings and Installations (Document CD19/5, Corr.);

Taking note of Resolution XXI approved by the 61st Meeting of the Executive Committee;

Observing with satisfaction that the Director has acquired property which guarantees the availability of land within the immediate vicinity of the present Headquarters building to meet long-range space requirements of the Organization, and that this has been done without involving budgetary expenditure; and

Bearing in mind that the requirement for any space outside the present Headquarters building and consequent use of office space in the newly acquired building, will be reflected in the annual budget for consideration of the Governing Bodies of the Organization,

RESOLVES:

1. To note the Report of the Director on Buildings and Installations (Document CD19/5, Corr.).
2. To commend the Director for having provided a solution to the long-range land requirements of the Organization without need for budgetary expenditure.
3. To request the Director to keep the Governing Bodies informed with respect to future space requirements.

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9 October 1969)

RESOLUTION XXX

RESOLUTIONS OF THE TWENTY-SECOND WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY  
OF INTEREST TO THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered Document CD19/18 in which the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau submitted to the Regional Committee for the Americas three resolutions of the Twenty-second World Health Assembly; and

Seeing that the Pan American Sanitary Bureau is already concerned with the subjects referred to in said resolutions,

RESOLVES:

To take note of the following resolutions of the Twenty-second World Health Assembly contained in Document CD19/18:

WHA22.34 - Smallpox Eradication Programme

WHA22.39 - Re-examination of the Global Strategy of Malaria Eradication

WHA22.53 - Long-term Planning in the Field of Health,  
Biennial Programming, and Improvement of  
the Evaluation Process.

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9 October 1969)

RESOLUCION XXXI

SMALLPOX ERADICATION

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having been informed of the status of the smallpox eradication campaign in the Americas; and

Bearing in mind that, as long as endemic foci persist in the Hemisphere, smallpox will continue to be a serious problem,

RESOLVES:

1. To reaffirm that the eradication of smallpox is one of the highest priorities for the Continent and the Pan American Health Organization.

2. To recommend to the countries where smallpox is endemic that they strengthen their programs and give special emphasis to epidemiological surveillance, case investigation, measures for containing outbreaks, and evaluation activities.

3. To recommend to countries bordering on those in which smallpox is endemic that they continue their maintenance and epidemiological surveillance programs, especially in border areas.

4. To urge countries that produce smallpox vaccine to accelerate efforts to standardize a freeze-dried vaccine that meets the WHO requirements; and to thank them for gifts of vaccines made to the Fund of the Organization and to express the wish that they continue to do so.

5. To instruct the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau:

- a. To take the necessary measures for coordinating national programs and, with the funds allotted by PAHO/WHO, to continue to provide the programs with technical and material assistance.
- b. To report to the 64th Meeting of the Executive Committee and the XVIII Pan American Sanitary Conference on the progress made in the smallpox eradication program.

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9 October 1969)



RESOLUTION XXXII

SELECTION OF THE TOPIC FOR THE TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS DURING THE XVIII PAN  
AMERICAN SANITARY CONFERENCE, XXII MEETING OF THE REGIONAL  
COMMITTEE OF WHO FOR THE AMERICAS

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Bearing in mind the provisions of Rule 9 of the Rules for  
Technical Discussions,

RESOLVES:

To select the topic "Venereal diseases as a national and inter-  
national health problem" for the Technical Discussions at the XVIII Pan  
American Sanitary Conference, XXII Meeting of the Regional Committee of  
the World Health Organization for the Americas.

(Approved at the seventeenth plenary session,  
9 October 1969)

RESOLUTION XXXIII

SPECIAL FUND FOR HEALTH PROMOTION

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having studied the information presented by the Director in Document CE61/15 and Resolution XXIV approved by the Executive Committee at its 61st Meeting; and

Recognizing the desirability of augmenting the size and scope of the Special Fund for Health Promotion, with the objective of further strengthening the health programs of the Americas,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the information provided by the Director in Document CE61/15 and Resolution XXIV approved by the Executive Committee at its 61st Meeting.

2. To approve expansion of the program of the Fund beyond its present field, to cover any other authorized health activities of the Organization.

3. To approve augmentation of the resources of the Fund in the following ways:

(a) To authorize the Director to increase the amount of regular budget contributions to the Special Fund for Health Promotion (Part IV) in years when the budgetary situation will permit, subject to the limitations concerning transfer of credits between parts of the budget contained in the appropriation resolution.

(b) To consider proposals which the Director may make for approval of the Directing Council for transfer to the Special Fund for Health Promotion of any surplus which may occur and which is not required to maintain the Working Capital Fund at an adequate level.

(c) To request the Director to seek extrabudgetary sources of funds including voluntary contributions from public and private agencies.

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9 October 1969)

RESOLUTION XXXIV

CONTROL OF CIGARETTE SMOKING

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Recognizing, on the basis of the fact, now well established, that cigarette smoking is an important cause of, or a substantial factor contributing to, premature deaths from broncho-pulmonary cancer, coronary disease, chronic bronchitis and chronic respiratory insufficiency;

Considering that cigarette smoking should be presented as harmful to health and that an Organization devoted to promoting health should set an example in this respect; and

Believing that each individual can decide for himself whether to indulge in the habit bearing in mind that his example may invite others to smoke,

RESOLVES:

1. To request the Director to report to the XIII Pan American Sanitary Conference:

- (a) on measures which have been taken to control the advertising of cigarettes by restriction or by the inclusion in promotional material of appropriate warnings;
- (b) on other possible methods of warning the public; and
- (c) on measures which might be taken to control smoking in places of work or in public gatherings.

2. To recommend to persons attending meetings of the Governing Bodies of the Pan American Health Organization that they refrain from smoking.

(Approved at the seventeenth plenary session,  
9 October 1969)

RESOLUTION XXXV

MEDICAL EDUCATION

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having examined the Director's report on the medical education programs undertaken by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau in collaboration with the various countries (Document CD19/16);

Bearing in mind the urgency and importance of giving an impetus in the countries of the Region to programs for the development of health manpower, in particular manpower connected with medical education;

Having noted with satisfaction the direction being given by the Department of Human Resources Development of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to its programs for collaboration with Governments in the field of medical education in the Continent; and

Considering the interest expressed by various universities of the Region in the review of their medical education programs, on the

basis of objective information, with a view to bringing the training of health personnel more into line with the needs of the individual countries,

RESOLVES:

1. To urge the countries to review their programs for health personnel training on the multidisciplinary or health team basis in order to cater for the needs of the various services and to introduce new types of program and teaching structures more in line with the new orientation.

2. To express satisfaction with the Director's approach to medical education programs and to recognize the value of research on the teaching of medicine carried out by the Organization and to request him to continue to provide the countries with assistance in studies of this type.

3. To recommend to the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau that he continue to give priority attention to continental programs for the development of health manpower in general.

4. To instruct the Director to pay special attention to medical education programs and to the close relationship they need to have with educational and training programs for other types of health personnel, along the lines set forth in Document CD19/16.

5. To request the Director to continue the close cooperation of the Bureau with universities and institutions of higher education in general, which have responsibility for medical education in the various countries.

6. To reiterate the need to establish inter-institutional relations for the development of plans and the execution of training programs for health personnel and in particular the desirability of closer relations between ministries of health, universities, social security institutes, and national professional institutions.

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9 October 1969)



RESOLUTION XXXVI

FINANCING OF THE TEXTBOOK PROGRAM,  
PAN AMERICAN HEALTH AND EDUCATION FOUNDATION

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having studied the report and recommendations of the Director in Document CD19/16, ADD.;

Bearing in mind the urgent need for full implementation of the Textbook Program, the purpose of which is to improve the quality of medical education, and provide students as well as medical libraries with modern textbooks on terms suited to their financial possibilities;

Considering the essential role which would be played by the Pan American Health and Education Foundation in the financing of the Textbook Program, as well as in support of health and education programs in the Americas; and

Recognizing the need for interim financing to continue gradual implementation of the program pending approval of loan funds,

RESOLVES:

1. To reaffirm the importance for medical education of the Textbook Program and to approve the steps taken so far.
2. To instruct the Director to continue negotiations with the Inter-American Development Bank.
3. To support and approve the activation of the Pan American Health and Education Foundation.
4. To authorize the Director, until such time as the Textbook Program is functioning under the Pan American Health and Education Foundation, to make temporary advances from the Working Capital Fund for the purchase of books under the Textbook Program. Such advances will be subject to approval by the Executive Committee in specific instances and will be repaid with the earliest proceeds from the sale of books.

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9 October 1969)

RESOLUTION XXXVII

MULTINATIONAL CENTERS

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered Resolution XII approved by the Executive Committee at its 61st Meeting and the information provided by the Director on the present status of multinational centers;

Bearing in mind the extent of health problems in the Americas as compared with the limited funds available to the Organization for dealing with them;

Bearing in mind the importance of the efforts of the countries as a basic contribution to the solution of their problems, through programs in which the fundamental purpose of the Organization's participation is to promote and coordinate those efforts; and

Bearing in mind also the possibilities that the countries have of assuming more responsibility,

## RESOLVES:

1. To declare that multinational centers are needed and useful provided their policy continues to be designed to benefit all the countries, and to support the steps taken by the Organization to develop and improve existing centers, which constitute an effective means whereby PAHO exercises its functions of stimulating and coordinating multinational programs for the improvement of health. In future, multinational centers should be established in accordance with the pertinent guidelines to be approved by the XVIII Pan American Sanitary Conference pursuant to operative paragraph 2 of this Resolution.

2. To request the Director to appoint a study group to draw up a set of general guidelines setting down the basic conditions for the establishment and operation of multinational centers, in the light of the observations set forth in Resolution XII adopted by the Executive Committee at its 61st Meeting and in this Resolution.

3. To recommend to the Member Countries which are the seat of multinational centers receiving funds from the PAHO Budget that they study the possibility of assuming a progressively larger share of the operating budget of those centers, while maintaining their multinational character, within the ambit of the set of guidelines which in the last instance will be approved by the XVIII Pan American Sanitary Conference pursuant to operative paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Resolution.

4. To recommend to the Member Governments that they consider the possibility of national centers of recognized standing extending their services to the countries of the Continent, in the first place to other countries in the Zone, without necessarily using the funds of the Pan American Health Organization.

5. To recommend to the Director that the funds made available as a result of the implementation of the recommendations set forth in operative paragraphs 3 and 4 be primarily used for aiding those countries that request more assistance, bearing in mind the funds available to them, the program for which assistance is requested, and the effort that has been or will be made by the requesting country.

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9 October 1969)

RESOLUTION XXXVIII

WITHIN-COUNTRY FELLOWSHIPS

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered Document CD19/15 containing proposed criteria for the award of within-country fellowships;

Considering that this program must be carried out gradually and be sufficiently flexible to allow desirable changes to be introduced into it;

Considering Resolution XXIII approved by the Executive Committee at its 61st Meeting,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve provisionally the proposed criteria for the award of within-country fellowships, taking into account the discussion at the XIX Meeting of the Directing Council.

2. To request the Director to submit a report to the Directing Council on the program after it has been in operation for one year in order to ascertain whether or not it is necessary to modify the criteria.

3. To request the Director to inform the Governments of the proposed criteria for the award of within-country fellowships.

(Approved at the seventeenth plenary session,  
9 October 1969)

RESOLUTION XXXIX

TECHNICAL DISCUSSIONS ON THE TOPIC  
"FINANCING OF THE HEALTH SECTOR"

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the final report of the Technical Discussions on the "Financing of the Health Sector" held during the XIX Meeting of the Directing Council of PAHO, XXI Meeting of the Regional Committee of WHO for the Americas,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the Final Report of the Technical Discussions and to express its satisfaction with the conduct of the discussions.
2. To express its thanks to the officials of the other international agencies, and non-governmental organizations who participated.
3. To recommend to the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau that he give this report the widest possible distribution.



4. To recommend to the Director that he study the possibility of the Organization:

- a) Promoting national studies on the financing and expenditure of the health sector and also on the use of sectoral resources in aspects such as structure and institutional coordination, technical and administrative efficiency, productivity of services both in the sector and in institutions;
- b) Organizing a regional study for the purpose of improving the machinery for the allotment of domestic funds to the health sector;
- c) Encouraging and coordinating feasibility studies of national health insurance schemes and other similar services and of the possibility of establishing a multinational fund for the financing of the health sector; and
- d) Organizing a regional study for the purpose of improving the machinery, conditions, and terms for external funds for developing the health infrastructure, in the broad sense given it in the Technical Discussions.

5. To recommend to the Director that, subject to budgetary limitations, the Bureau provide the necessary technical assistance for the proposed national studies.

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9 October 1969)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the President of the Directing Council and the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, Secretary ex officio, sign the present Final Report in the English and Spanish languages, both texts being equally authentic.

DONE in the city of Washington, D. C., on the tenth day of October nineteen sixty-nine. The Secretary shall deposit the original texts in the archives of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, and shall send copies thereof to the Governments of the Organization.

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Sylvia Talbot  
President of the Directing Council  
Representative of Guyana

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Abraham Horwitz  
Director of the  
Pan American Sanitary Bureau  
Secretary ex officio of the  
Directing Council