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REPORT ON THE XII INTER-AMERICAN MEETING, AT THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL, ON FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE AND ZOONOSES CONTROL

The XII Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Control was held in the city of Willemstad, Curaçao, Netherlands Antilles, from 17 to 20 April 1979, in accordance with the convocation issued by the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau pursuant to Resolution XIX approved by the Directing Council of the Pan American Health Organization at its XVII Meeting.

On 17 April the Heads of Delegation met to elect the officers of the meeting, who were as follows: President, Dr. Gualberto T. Hernández, Minister of Public Health and Environmental Hygiene of the Netherlands Antilles; Vice Presidents, Dr. Hernán Fonseca, Minister of Agriculture and Stockraising of Costa Rica and Dr. J. E. McGowan, Assistant Deputy Minister, Health of Animals Branch, Department of Agriculture of Canada; and Rapporteur, Dr. César A. Lobo, Chief, Division of Veterinary Sciences, Colombian Agriculture Institute. Dr. Héctor A. Acuña, Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, served as Secretary ex officio.

The following Governments were represented at the meeting: Argentina, Barbados, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, France, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Kingdom of the Netherlands, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, United States of America, Uruguay and Venezuela.

Also present were observers for the United Kingdom and for the following international agencies: The Cartagena Agreement, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, the Inter-American Development Bank, the Inter-American Institute of Agricultural Sciences, the International Office of Epizootics, the Organization of American States, and the Regional International Organization for Plant and Animal Health.

The reports of the Member Governments summarized the activities carried out in 1978 and evaluated the present status of the execution of national programs and the implementation of the recommendations and achievements of the goals for animal health and veterinary public health established in the Ten-Year Health Plan for the Americas, approved by the Governing Bodies of the Pan American Health Organization in Santiago, Chile, in October 1972.

It was emphasized that it was increasingly necessary to prevent and control animal diseases in order to foster the rapid economic development of the countries and to prevent losses of animal protein. However, the limited budgetary resources available to the Organization for carrying out these programs and for promoting the work of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Centers as well as inflation in the countries of the Americas have not only prevented activities from being increased but have made it necessary to reduce the technical cooperation provided to the Governments.

During the review of the program budget of the Pan American Zoonoses Center (CEPANZO), the Chairman of the Scientific Advisory Committee of the Center presented the report of the 8th Meeting of the Committee, held from 30 October to 3 November 1978. He mentioned the efforts made by the Center in recent years to meet the requests for technical cooperation received from the Governments for their zoonoses control programs, and emphasized the need for additional financial resources to enable the Center to continue to support the zoonoses control programs in the countries of the Region.

It was pointed out that considerable progress was likely to be made in 1980 and 1981 in the programs for the control of the principal zoonoses, since many countries had already completed the preparatory stages, but that that progress could not be made unless the constraints on the operating capacity of the Center were overcome. The budgetary deficit of the Center had made it necessary to suppress posts and reduce operating expenditures and had considerably affected the effectiveness of its activities. The financial resources that would be necessary for restoring and expanding the operating capacity of CEPANZO were explained, and the close relationship between agriculture and health was emphasized. In the two fields, the biological principles were the same, as were the services and practices, and that relationship was still closer in countries like those of the Americas and the Caribbean area where resources were integrated. The Representatives of the various countries acknowledged the valuable assistance received from CEPANZO and fully supported an expansion of the budget of the Center; 24 countries voted in favor of the expanded budget presented, 1 against and 1 abstained, and thus approved Resolution I, which recommended to the Governing Bodies of PAHO

that they approve the additional amounts of \$810,500 for 1980 and \$906,300 for 1981 to restore and expand the operations of CEPANZO so that it might meet the countries' needs for special programs, on the understanding that the Member and Participating Governments would also finance those amounts for 1980 and 1981 and above-ceiling requirements in future years under separate assessments in accordance with the quota system presented in the informational annex to Document CE82/10 (CE82/10, ADD.).

During the analysis of the program and budget of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center (PANAFTOSA), the principal activities carried out were summarized, in particular the activities representing direct The importance of the hemispheric system of services to the countries. epidemiological information on vesicular diseases was emphasized, as was the work of the Diagnostic and Reference Laboratory on Foot-and-Mouth Disease, the training program, and the considerable progress made in research on an oil adjuvant foot-and-mouth disease vaccine. Also stressed was the steady rise in operating costs of PANAFTOSA, caused mainly by general inflation, which had dangerously reduced the Center's servicing ca-A program for the biennium 1980-1981, based on three alternative budgets, was presented to the meeting: 1) an annual increase in financing of not more than 7.9 per cent, in compliance with resolutions of the Governing Bodies of PAHO, which was referred to as a ceiling budget and would in fact entail a curtailment of operations; 2) a so-called restoration budget, designed to keep operations at their present level by compensating for the estimated effects of inflation; and 3) an expansion budget, which, as its name implied, was designed to keep up with the demand of the countries for advisory services. During the discussion of the program of the Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center, the Delegates emphasized the importance of the work of the Center in producing foot-and-mouth disease vaccines of proven quality, the establishment of regional diagnostic laboratories, and the epidemiological surveillance system both in the coun-They also asked that tries affected and in the disease-free countries. no decision be taken that might limit the activities of the Center in the future, and clearly expressed their support for the expansion of the budget; 25 countries voted in favor of that expansion, 1 against and 1 abstained, and thus approved Resolution II, which recommended to the Governing Bodies of PAHO that they approve the additional amounts of \$976,000 for 1980 and \$1,035,700 for 1981 to restore and expand the operations of the Center so that it might meet the countries' needs for special programs, on the understanding that the Member and Participating Governments would also finance these amounts for 1980 and 1981 and aboveceiling requirements in future years under special assessments in accordance with the quota system set forth in the informational annex to Document CE82/10 (CE82/10, ADD.).

In discussing Resolution XIX of the XX Pan American Sanitary Conference, operative paragraph 4 of which requests the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau to study the possibility of transferring the responsibility of the Organization with respect to the Pan American Footand-Mouth Disease Center to some international agency more closely concerned with agriculture, a report was given on the action taken in that direction with the OAS, FAO and the Inter-American Institute of Agricultural Sciences. All the Ministers of Agriculture that had sent the Organization their comments on the matter recognized the valuable cooperation it was giving the countries for their animal health and veterinary public health programs, and some of them felt that the time was not right for separating the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center from the Organ-It was felt necessary to put on record the interest of the Governments in not losing the support of PAHO and in continuing to benefit from the existing technical know-how and structures, since they could not be improvised and to attempt to do so would have an adverse effect on animal health, which could not be disassociated from human health and the economy of the countries.

Resolution III, which reflects the thinking of the Ministers of Agriculture of the Hemisphere, recommends that the XXVI Meeting of the Directing Council of PAHO be requested to reconsider Resolution XIX of the XX Pan American Sanitary Conference with a view to the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center continuing to function as a regular program of the Organization, with the financial support of the Governments of the Member and Participating Countries, as approved and recommended at the Meeting.

In Resolution XIII, the Representatives decided to request the Governing Bodies of the Pan American Health Organization to recognize the Representatives accredited by the Governments to the RICAZ meetings and to afford them an opportunity to present to the meetings of the Executive Committee and of the Directing Council of PAHO the recommendations and resolutions adopted at those Inter-American Meetings, at the Ministerial Level, on Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Control.

In addition, the Representatives of the countries to RICAZ XII, in Resolution XII, decided that henceforward the meeting would be known as the Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Animal Health, and that it would continue to be governed by the Rules of Procedure of the Directing Council of PAHO.

During RICAZ XII two panels were held, one on African swine fever and the other on the use of animal health diagnostic laboratories in support of rural medical care programs.

The panel on African swine fever discussed the following items:
1) Analysis of African Swine Fever; 2) African Swine Fever in Brazil;
3) Status of African Swine Fever in the Dominican Republic; 4) Eradication of African Swine Fever in Cuba; and 5) Economic and Political Impact of African Swine Fever in Brazil.

The panel on the use of animal health diagnostic laboratories in support of rural medical care programs dealt with the following items:

1) Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratories in the Americas; 2) San Rafael (Veracruz, Mexico) Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory and its Support for Medical Care Programs in Rural Areas; 3) The Concept of Comparative Medicine and the Unified Diagnostic Laboratory/Preventive Medicine Program at Cornell University; and 4) The Possibility of Incorporating Animal Health Diagnostic Laboratories into Coverage Programs.

Other items discussed dealt with epidemiological surveillance of rabies, equine encephalitis and vesicular diseases in the Americas; report on a study on the status of animal health in the Americas; report on the implementation of the resolutions of the XI Inter-American Meeting; Special Fund for Animal Health Research; and report of the VI Regular Meeting of the South American Commission for the Control of Foot-and-Mouth Disease.

The observer for the Inter-American Development Bank presented a detailed report on the participation of the IDB in the animal health programs being carried out in the countries of the Americas. Up to the end of 1978, a total of 14 loans had been approved for animal health projects amounting to \$91.5 million, and the results of the investments made by the countries could already be seen in the strengthening of health services and the control of foot-and-mouth disease and certain zoonoses. He expressed the thanks of the Bank for the cooperation provided by PAHO in preparing those projects.

In addition to the resolutions dealing with the programs and budgets of the Pan American Zoonoses Center (No. I) and of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center (No. II), the recommendation relating to Resolution XIX of the XX Pan American Sanitary Conference (No. III), that on representation at meetings of the Governing Bodies of the Pan American Health Organization (No. XIII) and on the future designation of the RICAZ meeting as the Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Animal Health (No. XII), RICAZ XII also approved 13 other resolutions dealing with: South American Commission for the Control of Foot-and-Mouth Disease; control of the quality of foot-and-mouth disease vaccines; report of the Scientific Advisory Committee of CEPANZO; use of animal health diagnostic laboratories in support of rural medical care programs; study of the animal health situation in the Americas; program for the epidemiological surveillance of vesicular diseases in Central America and Panama;

Regional Educational Program for Animal Health Assistants in the Caribbean; Inter-American System of Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratories; Reference Laboratory for African Swine Fever in the Americas; project for a study on the technical and economic feasibility of training agricultural and livestock quarantine inspectors; support for the provision of appropriate premises for CEPANZO; trade with countries affected by African swine fever; and vote of thanks to the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

Annexes

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ANNEX I

XII INTER-AMERICAN MEETING, AT THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL, ON FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE AND ZOONOSES CONTROL

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

Willemstad, Curação, N.A., 17-20 April 1979

RICAZ XII

RESOLUTIONS I, II, III, AND XIII

RESOLUTION I

PROGRAM AND BUDGET OF THE PAN AMERICAN ZOONOSES CENTER FOR 1980 AND 1981

THE XII INTER-AMERICAN MEETING.

Recognizing the importance and significance of the scientific and technical work done by the Pan American Zoonoses Center for all the countries of the Region;

Bearing in mind that many countries are establishing or already carrying out national programs for the control and eradication of the major zoonoses, which exert a substantial negative effect on the livestock industry and have serious repercussions on human health;

Convinced that the technical cooperation which the Center provides to the countries in the fields of advisory services, training, reference services, technological reference and information, and research, are vital to those programs;

Aware that the Center must have an adequate budget suited to the needs of the countries;

Considering that Governments will be better able to determine the budgetary level they are willing to support in the PAHO Directing Council or the Pan American Sanitary Conference, and to accept financial responsibility for quota payments under their national policies and procedures, if the program and budget of the Center and the effect of the latter on quota assessments are clearly identified in the Program and Budget of PAHO; and

Taking into consideration the proposed program and budget presented in Document RICAZ12/8,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To ratify its full support for the Pan American Zoonoses Center and for the program of technical cooperation it is conducting in accordance with the requests of the countries.
- 2. To approve the proposed program and its supporting budget in the amount of \$2,064,300 for 1980 and \$2,207,100 for 1981, which amounts include \$1,253,800 and \$1,300,800, respectively, already in PAHO's proposed program and budget at its present ceiling.

- 3. To recommend to the Governing Bodies of PAHO that they approve the additional amounts of \$810,500 for 1980 and \$906,300 for 1981 to restore and expand the operations of the Center so that it may meet the countries' needs for special programs, with the understanding that the Member and Participating Governments will also finance these amounts for 1980 and 1981 and above-ceiling requirements in future years under separate assessments, using the quota system indicated in Table 1 of Document RICAZ12/8.
- 4. To request the Director of PASB to identify the budget proposed for the Pan American Zoonoses Center and to include a schedule showing the portions of the quota assessments that would go to this Center.
- 5. To thank the countries, international organizations, and especially the Government of Argentina, for their valuable financial contributions to the operation of the Center.

RESOLUTION II

PROGRAM AND BUDGET OF THE PAN AMERICAN FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE CENTER FOR 1980 AND 1981

THE XII INTER-AMERICAN MEETING.

Considering that the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center is the principal establishment for technical cooperation in the field of foot-and-mouth disease in Latin America and the Caribbean, that it has capabilities for research in other animal virus diseases, and that it plays a vital role in their prevention, control and eradication;

Convinced that the technical cooperation which the Center provides to the countries in the fields of advisory services, training, reference services, technological reference and information, and research, are vital to those programs;

Mindful of the benefits of the Center's animal health programs to economic development in agriculture and animal husbandry and to human nutrition;

Aware that the Center must have an adequate budget suited to the needs of the countries:

Considering that Governments will be better able to determine the budgetary level they are willing to support in the PAHO Directing Council or the Pan American Sanitary Conference, and to accept financial responsibility for quota payments under their national policies and procedures if the program and budget of the Center and the effect of the latter on quota assessments are clearly identified in the Program and Budget of PAHO; and

Taking into consideration the proposed program and budget presented in Document RICAZ12/7.

RESOLVES:

- 1. To ratify its full support for the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center and for the program of technical cooperation it is conducting in accordance with the requests of the countries.
- 2. To approve the proposed program and its supporting budget in the amount of \$3,913,700 for 1980 and \$4,140,200 for 1981, which amounts include \$2,937,700 and \$3,104,500, respectively, already in PAHO's proposed program and budget at its present ceiling.

- 3. To recommend to the Governing Bodies of PAHO that they approve the additional amounts of \$976,000 for 1980 and \$1,035,700 for 1981 to restore and expand the operations of the Center so that it may meet the countries' needs for special programs, with the understanding that the Member and Participating Governments will also finance these amounts for 1980 and 1981 and above-ceiling requirements in future years under separate assessments, using the quota system indicated on page 4 of Document RICAZ12/7.
- 4. To request the Director of the PASB to identify the budget proposed for the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center and to include a schedule showing the portions of the quota assessment that would go to this Center.
- 5. To thank the countries and international organizations that are supporting the Center, and particularly the Government of Brazil, for their valuable contributions to the operation of the Center.

RESOLUTION III

RESOLUTION XIX OF THE XX PAN AMERICAN SANITARY CONFERENCE

THE XII INTER-AMERICAN MEETING.

Having seen operative paragraph 4 of Resolution XIX of the XX Pan American Sanitary Conference, in which the Director of PASB was requested to study the possibility of transferring the responsibilities of the Organization in relation to the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center to some international agency more closely concerned with agriculture;

Mindful of the concern expressed by the countries in their replies to the inquiry of the Director on the subject;

Recognizing that the technical and administrative infrastructure of the PASB both in the field and for the Region as a whole is a factor that has contributed to the efficient work done by the Center in support of the prevention, control and eradication of foot-and-mouth disease in the Americas, and that its services are of particularly critical importance in the current phase of national control programs;

Considering that the establishment of the new Special Program of Animal Health of the PAHO constitutes a valuable step to marshal international veterinary resources in the service of the countries; and

Reaffirming the decision expressed by the Governments in this Meeting to contribute to the financing and expansion of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To request that in its XXVI Meeting, the Directing Council of PAHO reconsider Resolution XIX of the XX Pan American Sanitary Conference in order that the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center may continue to function as a regular program of the Organization and with the financial support of the Member and Participating Governments as approved and recommended at this Meeting.
- 2. To recommend to PAHO that within its Special Program of Animal Health it uphold the priority of operations relating to national programs for the prevention, control and eradication of foot-and-mouth disease.

- 3. To recommend to the Governing Bodies of PAHO that they approve the additional amounts of \$976,000 for 1980 and \$1,035,700 for 1981 to restore and expand the operations of the Center so that it may meet the countries' needs for special programs, with the understanding that the Member and Participating Governments will also finance these amounts for 1980 and 1981 and above-ceiling requirements in future years under separate assessments, using the quota system indicated on page 4 of Document RICAZ12/7.
- 4. To request the Director of the PASB to identify the budget proposed for the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center and to include a schedule showing the portions of the quota assessment that would go to this Center.
- 5. To thank the countries and international organizations that are supporting the Center, and particularly the Government of Brazil, for their valuable contributions to the operation of the Center.

RESOLUTION XIII

REPRESENTATION AT MEETINGS OF THE GOVERNING BODIES OF THE PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION

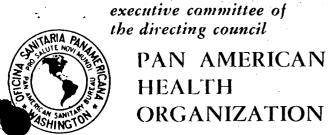
THE XII INTER-AMERICAN MEETING,

Cognizant of the doubts that have arisen in the present proceedings about our standing as the representatives of our countries to RICAZ Meetings, in those of the Pan American Sanitary Conference, the Directing Council, and the Executive Committee of the Pan American Health Organization; and

Mindful of our responsibility to ensure that our recommendations are implemented,

RESOLVES: .

To request the Governing Bodies of the Pan American Health Organization to extend recognition to representatives accredited by this Meeting and by future RICAZ Meetings for the purpose of presenting the recommendations and resolutions adopted therein to meetings of the Pan American Sanitary Conference or the Directing Council and the Executive Committee of the Pan American Health Organization.



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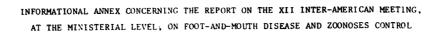
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The attached informational annex pertains specifically to Resolutions I and II of RICAZ XII.



		Pan American Zoonoses Center Financial Period 1980-1981			Pan American Foot-&-Mouth Disease Center Financial Period 1980-1981			Total - Both Centers Financial Period 1980-1981		
Country	OAS Scale	Ceiling Budget OD-161	Restoration and Expan- sion Budget	Total	Ceiling Budget OD-161	Restoration and Expan- sion Budget	Total	Ceiling Budget OD-161	Restoration and Expan- sion Budget	Total
	<u>%</u>	us\$	<u>us\$</u>	<u>us\$</u>	US\$	US\$	US\$	<u>us\$</u>	US\$	US\$
Argentina Barbados Bolivia Brazil	7.50 0.08 0.18 9.39	144,859 1,545 3,477 181,364	119,576 1,275 2,870 149,709	264,435 2,820 6,347 331,073	420,392 4,484 10,089 526,331	140,116 1,495 3,363 175,425	560,508 5,979 13,452 701,756	565,251 6,029 13,566 707,695	259,692 2,770 6,233 325,134	824,943 8,799 19,799 1,032,829
Chile	0.82	15,838	13,074	28,912	45,963	15,319	61,282	61,801	28,393	90,194
Colombia Costa Rica Cuba Dominican Republic Ecuador	0.99 0.18 1.17 0.18 0.18	19,121 3,477 22,598 3,477 3,477	15,784 2,870 18,653 2,870 2,870	34,905 6,347 41,251 6,347 6,347	55,492 10,089 65,582 10,089 10,089	18,495 3,363 21,858 3,363 3,363	73,987 13,452 87,440 13,452 13,452	74,613 13,566 88,180 13,566 13,566	34,279 6,233 40,511 6,233 6,233	108,892 19,799 128,691 19,799 19,799
El Salvador Grenada Guatemala Haiti	0.18 0.03 0.18 0.18	3,477 579 3,477 3,477	2,870 478 2,870 2,870	6,347 1,057 6,347 6,347 6,347	10,089 1,682 10,089 10,089 10,089	3,363 -560 3,363 3,363 3,363	13,452 2,242 13,452 13,452 13,452	13,566 2,261 13,566 13,566 13,566	6,233 1,038 6,233 6,233 6,233	19,799 3,299 19,799 19,799
Honduras Jamaica Mexico Nicaragua Panama Paraguay	0.18 0.18 7.04 0.18 0.18 0.18	3,477 3,477 135,975 3,477 3,477	2,870 2,870 112,243 2,870 2,870 2,870	6,347 248,218 6,347 6,347 6,347	10,089 394,607 10,089 10,089 10,089	3,363 131,523 3,363 3,363 3,363	13,452 526,130 13,452 13,452 13,452	13,566 530,582 13,566 13,566 13,566	6,233 243,766 6,233 6,233 6,233	19,799 774,348 19,799 19,799
Peru Suriname Trinidad and Tobago United States of America Uruguay Venezuela	0.54 0.13 0.18 66.00 0.36 3.61	10,429 2,510 3,477 1,274,766 6,953 69,725	8,610 2,073 2,870 1,052,272 5,740 57,556	19,039 4,583 6,347 2,327,038 12,693 127,281	30,269 7,287 10,089 3,699,446 20,179 202,349	10,088 2,429 3,363 1,233,025 6,726 67,442	40,357 9,716 13,452 4,932,471 26,905 269,791	40,698 9,797 13,566 4,974,212 27,132 272,074	18,698 4,502 6,233 2,285,297 12,466 124,998	59,396 14,299 19,799 7,259,509 39,598
Subtotal:	100.00	1,931,463	1,594,353	3,525,816	5,605,220	1,868,220	7,473,440	7,536,683	3,462,573	10,999,256
	Quivalent ercentages									
Other Member Governments Bahamas Canada Guyana	0.07 7.04 0.18	1,352 135,975 3,477	1,116 112,243 2,870	2,468 248,218 6,347	3,924 394,607 10,089	1,308 131,523 3,363	5,232 526,130 13,452	5,276 530,582 13,566	2,424 243,766 6,233	7,700 774,348 19,799
Participating Governments	3									
France Kingdom of the Netherland United Kingdom	0.18 s 0.07 0.14	3,477 1,352 2,704	2,870 1,116 2,232	6,347 2,468 4,936	10,089 3,924 7,847	3,363 1,308 2,615	13,452 5,232 10,462	13,566 5,276 10,551	6,233 2,424 4,847	19,799 7,700 15,398
Subtot	al:	148,337	122,447	270,784	430,480	143,480	573,960	578,817	265,927	844,74
Total Assessments - All Countries:		2,079,800	1,716,800	3,796,600	6,035,700	2,011,700	8,047,400	8,115,500	3,728,500	11,844,000

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RESOLUTION XXVI

REPORT ON THE XII INTER-AMERICAN MEETING, AT THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL, ON FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE AND ZOONOSES CONTROL

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having studied Document CE82/10 and its appended Final Report and Resolutions I, II, III, and XIII of the XII Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Control (RICAZ XII):

Having heard the presentation by Dr. German Bula Hoyos, Minister of Agriculture of Colombia, on the XII Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Foot-and-Mouth-Disease and Zoonoses Control;

Recognizing the shared social, economic and organizational interest of the Ministers of Health and of Agriculture in continuing their successful cooperation, because of the close interrelationship between human health and animal health programs;

Appreciating the satisfaction expressed by the Delegates to the RICAZ XII Meeting with PAHO's establishment of the Special Program of Animal Health and their wish to collaborate in the development of this Program, including the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center;

Having noted that the Representatives to RICAZ XII agreed to designate that meeting henceforth as the Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Animal Health; and

Recognizing that the Delegates to the XII Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Control were accredited by their Governments to vote on budget proposals, and that by appproving the budgets they expressed the wish of their Governments to provide the additional financing needed to restore and expand the animal health programs of the two centers on a continuing basis,

RESOLVES:

l. To express its appreciation to the Representative of the XII Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Zoonoses Control, for his presentation, and to the Delegates to that Meeting for their confidence in PAHO and their desire to maintain the cooperative relationships.

- 2. To recommend to the Directing Council:
- a) That it approve the amounts of US\$810,500 for 1980 and US\$906,300 for 1981 to restore and expand the operations of the Pan American Zoonoses Center.
- b) That it approve the amounts of US\$976,000 for 1980 and US\$1,035,700 for 1981 to restore and expand the operations of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center.
- c) That it approve, as a supplementary budget in accordance with the Financial Regulations, the sum total of the aforementioned amounts, i.e., US\$3,728,500 for the financial period 1980-1981, to be financed in accordance with the scale of assessments presented in the Information Annex to Document CE82/10.

(Approved at the thirteenth plenary session, 3 July 1979)