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## **XII INTER-AMERICAN MEETING, AT THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL, ON HEALTH AND AGRICULTURE**

*São Paulo, Brazil, 2 to 4 May 2001*

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*Renaissance São Paulo Hotel  
Level E2 – Salão das Américas*

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### **PROVISIONAL PROGRAM OF MEETINGS**

*Wednesday, 2 May*

**8:00 a.m. Registration**

**8:30 a.m. Preliminary Meeting of Heads of Delegation**

Election of the President, Two Vice Presidents, and  
the Rapporteur

**9:00 a.m. FIRST MEETING**

1. Inauguration of the Session
  - A. Welcome and Opening of the Session by the Governor of the State of São Paulo, Hon. Geraldo Alckmin
  - B. Welcoming Remarks by the Director of the Pan American Health Organization, Sir George Alleyne
  - C. Inaugural Presentation by the Minister of Agriculture and Food Supply of Brazil, Hon. Marcus Vinicius Pratini de Moraes

- D. Special Presentation by the Minister of Health of Brazil,  
Hon. José Serra: "The Importance of World Trade in Food  
to Public Health and Socioeconomic Development"

*Recess*

2. *Item 3:* Adoption of the Agenda and the Program of Meetings
3. *Item 4:* Report of the PAHO Program on Veterinary Public Health on Compliance with the Strategic and Programmatic Orientations (SPO), 1999-2000

*Dr. Primo Arámbulo, III*  
*Coordinator, PAHO Veterinary Public Health Program*

4. *Item 4.1* Proposed Action Plan for the Pan American Institute for Food Protection and Zoonoses (INPPAZ), 2002-2003

*Dr. Claudio Almeida*  
*Director, INPPAZ*

**2:15 p.m. SECOND MEETING**

1. *Item 6:* Panel: Community Participation in Food Protection
- 6.1 Community Participation in the Development of Healthy Markets

*Dr. Eduardo Pretell Zárate*  
*Minister of Health, Perú*

- 6.2 Community Participation in Food Protection in the Tourism Industry

*Hon. Israel Posner*  
*Minister of Health and Social and Cultural Affairs,*  
*Aruba*

6.3 Community Participation in the Production of Safe  
Fruits and Vegetables

*Hon. Jorge Rolando Escoto Marroquín  
Minister of Agriculture, Livestock and Food,  
Guatemala*

6.4 Role of Communities in Food Protection

*Mr. José Vargas Niello, Regional Director,  
Consumers International*

Discussion

2. *Item 7:* Proposal for the Creation of the Pan American Commission  
for Food Safety (COPAIA)

*Dr. João Carlos de Souza Meirelles  
Secretary of Agriculture and Food Supply of the State of  
São Paulo, Brazil*

***Thursday, 3 May***

**8:30 a.m. THIRD MEETING**

1. *Item 4.2* Proposed Action Plan for the Pan American  
Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center (PANAFTOSA),  
2002-2003
- Dr. Eduardo Correa Melo  
Director, PANAFTOSA*
2. *Item 8:* Report of the VIII Meeting of the Hemispheric Committee  
for the Eradication of Foot-and-Mouth Disease (COHEFA)
- President, VIII COHEFA*
3. *Item 9:* Implications of Reforms in the Livestock Sector for the  
Eradication of Foot-and-Mouth Disease and for Other  
Aspects of Animal Health
- Hon. Gonzalo González  
Minister of Livestock, Agriculture and Fisheries, Uruguay*
4. Consideration of Proposed Resolutions Pending Adoption

**2:15 p.m. FOURTH MEETING**

1. *Item 11:* Panel: Zoonoses of Importance for the Economy and Public Health

11.1 Brucellosis and Bovine Tuberculosis: Control or Elimination?

*Dr. Javier Usabiaga Arroyo  
Secretary of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural  
Development, Fisheries, and Food, México*

11.2 Outlook for the Elimination of Hydatidosis in the Southern Cone

*Dr. Horacio Fernández  
Minister of Health, Uruguay*

11.3 Current Situation of Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE)

*Dr. Bernard Vallat  
Director-General, International Office  
of Epizootics*

11.4 Impact of Emerging Zoonoses on Human and Animal Health

*Dr. Guillermo Cuentas Yañez  
Minister of Health and Social Welfare, Bolivia*

Discussion

2. *Item 10:* Report on the VIII Meeting of Directors of National Rabies Control Programs in Latin America (REDIPRA)

*Dr. Ana María Navarro  
President, VIII REDIPRA*

3. Consideration of Proposed Resolutions Pending Adoption

*Friday, 4 May*

**8:30 a.m. FIFTH MEETING**

1. *Item 12:* Productive Municipalities and Food Security at the Local Level

*Hon. Alfredo Jordán Morales  
Minister of Agriculture, Cuba*

2. *Item 13:* Other Matters
3. Consideration of the Final Report
4. Closing Ceremony

**INSTALLATION OF THE PAN AMERICAN COMMISSION  
FOR FOOD SAFETY (COPAIA)**

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**FIRST MEETING OF THE PAN AMERICAN COMMISSION  
FOR FOOD SAFETY (COPAIA)**