

## SIXTH SESSION OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON PROGRAM, BUDGET, AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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## METHOD OF WORK OF THE GOVERNING BODIES: DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 1. During the 149th Session of the Executive Committee, Members States requested that the Pan American Sanitary Bureau (Bureau) review the possibility of improving the method of work of the Governing Bodies by better rationalizing their agendas. In particular, they suggested that not all progress reports and certain other agenda items considered by the Executive Committee necessarily needed to be presented to the Pan American Sanitary Conference or the Directing Council. Accordingly, the Executive Committee requested that the Bureau examine the reporting requirements of certain recurring agenda items to streamline the agendas of the Governing Bodies.
- 2. The Bureau has identified a number of functions that have been delegated to the Executive Committee or that fall within the mandate of the Bureau's functions, which therefore do not necessarily have to be reported upon as individual agenda items to the Pan American Sanitary Conference or the Directing Council. Having reviewed the resolutions and other pertinent rules and regulations, the Bureau suggests that the following items be removed from the agenda of the Conference or the Directing Council:
- (a) Master Capital Investment Plan,
- (b) Salary of the Director of the Pan American Sanitary Bureau, and
- (c) Updates on the Project for Modernization of the PASB Management Information System.

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4. The Subcommittee on Program, Budget, and Administration may wish to recommend that these topics be delegated to the Executive Committee, which may in turn report to the Pan American Sanitary Conference or the Directing Council through the Report of the President of the Executive Committee, rather than as separate agenda items. In some cases it might be necessary to change or to modify certain rules and regulations to take effect during the 2013 Governing Bodies cycle.

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