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RESOLUTION

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**NATIONAL INSTITUTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH PAHO
IN TECHNICAL COOPERATION**

THE 50th DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having reviewed Document CD50/8, *National Institutions Associated with PAHO in Technical Cooperation*;

Considering Article 71 of the Constitution of the World Health Organization (WHO) and Article 26 of the Constitution of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), as well as the governance frameworks and mandates handed down by the PAHO Executive Committee, Directing Council, and Pan American Sanitary Conference (Resolution CD19.R37 [1969]; Resolution CE61.R12 [1969]; Resolution CE64.R19 [1970]; Resolution CSP18.R33 [1970]; Resolution CD25.R31 [1977]; Document CD25/29 [1977]; Resolution CSP20.R31 [1978]; Document CSP20/3 [1978]; Document CE99/9 [1987]; Resolution CE126.R15 [2000]; Document CE126/7 and Add. I [2000]; Document CE136/12 [2005], and Document CE139/7 [2006]);

Recognizing that one of PAHO/WHO's basic objectives is to strengthen national capacities for the sustainable achievement of national and global public health goals, and that these capacities must be based on broad approaches capable of affecting health determinants, ensuring intersectoral collaboration and promoting public-private initiatives and with civil society;

Noting that, over time, PAHO/WHO technical cooperation with Member States has been significantly supported by the participation of national institutions and that formal institutional working relationships are needed for PAHO to function as a catalyst in mobilizing and strengthening these capacities;

Emphasizing that the present proposal complements the work that PAHO/WHO conducts with the WHO Collaborating Centers and nongovernmental organizations that are in official relations with PAHO/WHO,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve a new category of relationship with institutions to be known as National Institutions Associated with PAHO in Technical Cooperation and the procedures for their identification, designation, and monitoring.
2. To urge the Member States to:
 - (a) make efforts to mobilize, utilize, and strengthen the capacities of National Institutions Associated with PAHO in Technical Cooperation to support health development at the national and subnational levels through strategic partnership with PAHO/WHO;
 - (b) collaborate with PAHO/WHO in implementing a formal process for the selection of national institutions that participate in technical cooperation in health, as well as collaborating to create mechanisms to oversee and monitor the quality and effectiveness of cooperation activities;
 - (c) analyze the existing capacities of institutions that could be designated as National Institutions Associated with PAHO in Technical Cooperation.
3. Request the Director to:
 - (a) consolidate working relationships between PAHO/WHO and the national institutions of Member States by selecting and designating National Institutions Associated with PAHO in Technical Cooperation, thus promoting more efficient and effective coordination of national efforts aimed at achieving the goals and expected results of national and subnational health agendas and plans;

- (b) provide technical support to Member States in identifying national institutions that might be designated as National Institutions Associated with PAHO in Technical Cooperation, and in identifying mechanisms for overseeing and monitoring such institutions;
- (c) promote and progressively develop networks of National Institutions Associated with PAHO in Technical Cooperation;
- (d) work to mobilize additional national and international resources to support the work plans agreed upon between PAHO/WHO and National Institutions Associated with PAHO in Technical Cooperation.

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