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REPORT OF THE X INTER-AMERICAN MEETING, AT THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL, ON ANIMAL HEALTH

The X Inter-American Meeting, at the Ministerial Level, on Animal Health was held at the Headquarters of the Pan American Health Organization from 23 to 25 April 1997. The objective of the Meeting was to strengthen aspects of mutual interest to the agriculture and health sectors.

Delegates from 34 Member States attended the Meeting. Among the delegates, 14 ministers and 12 vice ministers of agriculture or health and three ambassadors attended as heads of delegation. Also participating as observers were representatives of international technical and financial cooperation agencies and the private sector, represented by livestock associations, the food industry, and other nongovernmental organizations.

The ministers of agriculture recommended that the Governing Bodies of the Organization approve the program budgets of the Pan American Foot-and-Mouth Disease Center and the Pan American Institute for Food Protection and Zoonoses for 1998-1999 and 2000-2001.

The Meeting adopted eight resolutions on the technical cooperation activities of the Program on Veterinary Public Health of PAHO, the eradication of foot-and-mouth disease, rabies, and bovine tuberculosis and brucellosis, and the strengthening of cooperation in food protection and food safety and of intersectoral activities in agriculture and health.

The Report of the X RIMSA was well received by the 120th Session of the Executive Committee of PAHO. Committee members expressed their satisfaction, recommending its submission to the XL Directing Council for adoption.

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