PROGRAMMING OF THE BUDGET SURPLUS

Background

1. Financial Regulation 4.6 stipulates that any balance of the funded Assessed Contributions and Budgeted Miscellaneous Revenue not committed by the end of the current budgetary period, or not authorized to be carried over into the subsequent budgetary period, shall be used to replenish the Working Capital Fund to its authorized level. Thereafter, any balance will be transferred to surplus and made available for subsequent use in accordance with the resolutions adopted by the Pan American Sanitary Conference or Directing Council.

2. The balance of the Working Capital Fund at the beginning of the 2016-2017 budgetary period was US$ 20.7 million. Therefore, any budget surplus for the 2016-2017 biennium of $4.3 million or less would automatically be transferred to replenish the Working Capital Fund to its authorized level of $25.0 million. The budget surplus for the 2016-2017 biennium was $971,367.77.

Analysis and Rationale

3. Given that the balance of the budget surplus for the 2016-2017 biennium is less than the amount needed to fully replenish the Working Capital Fund at its authorized level of $25.0 million, the entire budget surplus of $971,367.77 was transferred to the Working Capital Fund in accordance with PAHO Financial Regulation 4.6.

Action by the Executive Committee

4. The Executive Committee is invited to take note of this report and make any recommendations it deems pertinent.

1 Unless otherwise indicated, all monetary figures in this report are expressed in United States dollars.