152nd SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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RESOLUTION

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REVIEW OF THE CHARGE ASSESSED ON THE PROCUREMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH SUPPLIES FOR MEMBER STATES

THE 152nd SESSION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,

Having reviewed the document Review of the Charge Assessed on the Procurement of Public Health Supplies for Member States (Document CE152/19),

RESOLVES:

To recommend that the 52nd Directing Council adopt a resolution along the following lines:

REVIEW OF THE CHARGE ASSESSED ON THE PROCUREMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH SUPPLIES FOR MEMBER STATES

THE 52nd DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having considered the document Review of the Charge Assessed on the Procurement of Public Health Supplies for Member States (Document CD52/__);

Recognizing the significant contribution of the PAHO procurement mechanisms to promote access to and ensure a continuous supply of high-quality, safe, and effective essential public health supplies, to address regional priorities and reduce morbidity and mortality in the Americas;

Considering that the PAHO procurement mechanisms facilitate the development of country capacity to scale up access to critical public health supplies, in order to prevent, control, and treat priority diseases in the Region;

Noting the increase in the procurement activity and the critical gap in the budget needed to fund overall costs—administrative, operating, and staffing—associated with its management,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To increase the current three and one half percent (3.5%) charge assessed on the procurement of all public health supplies for PAHO Member States by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau by three quarters of one percent (0.75%) to a total of four and one quarter percent (4.25%), effective 1 January 2014.
- 2. To credit the additional charge assessed (0.75%) to the Special Fund for Program Support Costs to defray the costs of procurement activities throughout the Organization for the following three procurement mechanisms:
- (a) reimbursable procurement on behalf of Member States,
- (b) Revolving Fund for Vaccine Procurement,
- (c) Regional Revolving Fund for Strategic Public Health Supplies.
- 3. To review the charge assessed by the Pan American Sanitary Bureau on the procurement of all public health supplies for Member States at the end of each biennium.
- 4. To request the Director to present a report on this issue to the Governing Bodies at the end of each biennium.

(Third meeting, 18 June 2013)