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## RESOLUTION

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# ELECTION OF FIVE NONPERMANENT MEMBERS TO THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN CENTER ON HEALTH SCIENCES INFORMATION (BIREME)

## THE 49th DIRECTING COUNCIL,

Having adopted Resolution CD49.R5 which establishes the new Statute of the Latin American and Caribbean Center on Health Sciences Information (BIREME);

Noting that the governance structure described in the new Statute of BIREME calls for the establishment of an Advisory Committee;

Bearing in mind that Article VI of the new Statute of BIREME establishes that the Advisory Committee of BIREME is to be comprised of one representative appointed by the Director of PASB and one by the Government of Brazil as permanent members, and that five nonpermanent members are to be selected and named by the Directing Council or the Pan American Sanitary Conference of PAHO from among the BIREME membership [which at this time include all PAHO Member States, Participating States, and Associate State(s)], taking geographical representation into account;

Recalling that Article VI further states that the five nonpermanent members of the BIREME Advisory Committee should be rotated every three (3) years, and that the Directing Council or the Pan American Sanitary Conference of PAHO may indicate a shorter rotation period in cases where it is necessary to maintain balance among members of the Advisory Committee,

### **RESOLVES:**

- 1. To elect three Member States to serve on BIREME's Advisory Committee for a three-year term, and two Member States for a two-year term effective 1 January 2010.
- 2. Thereafter, to elect the nonpermanent members of the Advisory Committee on a staggered basis so that no election would take place in 2010, two members would be elected in 2011, and three members in 2012.
- 3. To declare Argentina, Chile, and Dominican Republic elected as nonpermanent members on the Advisory Committee of BIREME for a period of three years.
- 4. To declare Jamaica and Mexico elected as nonpermanent members on the Advisory Committee of BIREME for a period of two years.

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