EM/RC4A/R.14* The Sub-Committee,

Having taken note of the document presented by the Regional Director on developments in the Expanded Programme of Technical Assistance for Economic Development[1],

1. RECOMMENDS to all health administrations in the Region that they make the greatest possible efforts to influence their treasuries and economic ministries in accordance with the importance of health as a major factor in economic development;

2. EMPHASIZES the importance of ministries of health being fully informed on the activities of other ministries, in particular those which are concerned with economic, educational and agricultural development;

3. EMPHASIZES the importance of the health component in all these developments;

4. CALLS UPON the Regional Director to assist the ministries on request to carry out these objectives;

5. CONSIDERS that the ministry of health should always be a member of any economic development or technical assistance committee which may be established in any country; and

6. REQUESTS the Director-General of the World Health Organization to approach the appropriate body or bodies with a view to having them reconsider the new policy on the financing of Technical Assistance projects in order to assure the provision of a fixed percentage of Technical Assistance funds to be allocated to health projects for each country.

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