Recommendation No. 7

Continental plan for classical swine fever eradication in the Americas

CONSIDERING

The document giving the basis for a continental eradication programme for classical swine fever (CSF), as presented by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), resulting from the specialist meeting on this subject held in Santiago (Chile) in October 1999,

The high social impact that this disease has in vast sectors of animal production on the continent (in small holdings, family production, etc.) as well as the economic losses occurring in the industrial production sector, which harm national and/or international trade in animals and animal products,

THE OIE REGIONAL COMMISSION FOR THE AMERICAS

RECOMMENDS THAT

1. The document presented by the FAO to this 15th Conference of the OIE Regional Commission for the Americas be considered as a preliminary proposal to be improved upon by the suggestions of countries of the region to be received within a delay of 60 days in order to make the necessary adjustments.

2. The FAO be confirmed as Technical Secretariat of the Continental Plan with the responsibility of collecting the suggestions from Member Countries in view of the elaboration of a final document, which will be submitted to the countries no later than 60 days after reception of the suggestions.

(Adopted by the OIE Regional Commission for the Americas on 10 March 2000 and endorsed by the International Committee of the OIE on 24 May 2000)