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RESOLUTION No. 370

PROGRESS MADE IN JOINT IICA/FAO EFFORTS

The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, at its Twenty-second Regular Meeting,

HAVING SEEN:

Document IICA/CE/Doc.418(02) "Progress Made in Joint IICA/FAO Efforts,"

CONSIDERING:

That the Executive Committee, pursuant to Resolution IICA/JIA/Res.361(XI-O/01), "IICA/FAO Relations", requested the Director General of the Food and Agriculture Organization ("FAO") and the Director General of IICA to continue their efforts to coordinate and expand the joint actions implemented by the two organizations, tapping the synergy generated by the complementary nature of their technical and operating capabilities, in order to promote the improvement of agriculture and rural life in the Americas:

That the Director General of IICA and the Deputy Director General/Regional Representative of FAO for Latin America and the Caribbean signed, on April 25, 2002, a cooperation agreement to increase cooperation, strengthen the coordination of programs, and identify a new basic program of joint activities between FAO and IICA;

That FAO and IICA have made significant progress in developing joint actions, both at the national level and in strategic topics of high priority to the Member States,

RESOLVES:

1. To acknowledge the work of the Director General of IICA to strengthen joint efforts between IICA and FAO to the benefit of their Member States, especially those in Latin America and the Caribbean.

2. To instruct the Director General to continue working to strengthen ties with FAO and to report on the progress made in joint actions and in developing new mechanisms for concerted action, to both the Executive Committee, at its Twenty-third Regular Meeting, and to the Inter-American Board of Agriculture, at its Twelfth Regular Meeting, to be held in 2003.