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NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS IN OFFICIAL RELATIONS WITH PAHO

1. According to the *Principles Governing Relations between the Pan American Health Organization and Nongovernmental Organizations*, “The Executive Committee of PAHO will appoint three Members to the Standing Committee on Nongovernmental Organizations, whose terms will expire simultaneously with the expiration of their terms on the Executive Committee.”
2. The present members of the Standing Committee are Jamaica, Peru, and the United States of America.

Review of the Nongovernmental Organizations (NGOs) in Official Relations with PAHO

3. Paragraph 5 of the *Principles Governing Relations between the Pan American Health Organization and Nongovernmental Organizations* states that “The Standing Committee will normally review collaboration with each NGO with which PAHO has official working relations every four years and, based on the results of the biennial work plans and activities undertaken during the period under review and on the proposed work plan for the next four-year period, shall make a recommendation to the Executive Committee on the desirability of maintaining these relations.”
4. There are 17 NGOs in official relations with PAHO.
5. The Executive Committee, at its 130th session in June 2002 adopted Resolution CE130.R17, resolving, inter alia, “To continue official relations between PAHO and the Latin American Union against Sexually Transmitted Diseases (ULACETS) and the International Organization of Consumers Unions (CI-ROLAC) for a period of one year,

on the understanding that the status of their activities and performance in accordance with an agreed-upon collaborative work plan will be reviewed again by the Standing Committee at its meeting in 2003.” Accordingly, the Standing Committee will review the following NGOs at its meeting in June and recommend to the Executive Committee, in each case, the continuation or not of official relations:

- International Organization of Consumers Unions (CI-ROLAC)
- Latin American Union Against Sexually Transmitted Diseases (ULACETS)

Applications Received

6. Paragraph 4.3 of the *Principles* states that during the June session of the Executive Committee, the Standing Committee will consider applications submitted by NGOs (in accordance with the criteria established in the *Principles*) and will make recommendations thereon to the Executive Committee.

7. No applications from NGOs wishing to enter into official relations with PAHO were received by 31 January 2003 – the deadline for applications to be considered in 2003.

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