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RESOLUTION No. 368

**PROMOTION OF THE CONDITION OF IICA ASSOCIATE STATUS
AMONG PERMANENT OBSERVERS, NON-MEMBER COUNTRIES
AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

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

CONSIDERING:

That the rules for Permanent Observers adopted by the Permanent Council of the Organization of American States (OAS) permit IICA and the other Specialized Agencies of the OAS to establish their own requirements governing the designation and participation of Permanent Observers;

That IICA's current rules specify that governments that have acquired the status of Permanent Observers of the OAS may be observers of the Institute;

That IICA's rules governing Permanent Observers do not require the Permanent Observers to make any contribution to the Institute, notwithstanding the rights that status confers;

That by Resolution IICA/JIA/Res.312(IX-O/97), the Inter-American Board of Agriculture ("IABA") created the status of IICA Associate for Permanent Observers and other countries and entities that wish to contribute substantial resources to the work of the Institute,

RESOLVES:

1. To instruct the Director General to encourage Permanent Observers of IICA and of the OAS and other countries and qualified entities to contribute resources to the Institute's activities and to become IICA Associates.

2. To instruct the Director General to present, at the Twenty-third Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee, a report on progress made to date in recruiting IICA Associates, as well as recommendations for reforming the rules on Permanent Observers which shall, inter alia, require States which wish to obtain and maintain that status to contribute significant resources to the Institute's programs and activities.