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RESOLUTION No. 369

ESTABLISHMENT OF ASSOCIATE EXPERT STATUS

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

HAVING SEEN:

Document IICA/CE/Doc.413(02) "Proposal for Establishing the Status of IICA Associate Expert,"

CONSIDERING:

That IICA's Member States attach great importance to strengthening the technical capabilities of the Institute, which is essential for fulfilling its mandates and for satisfying the growing demand for cooperation services;

That the Summit of the Americas process places new and more complex demands on the Institute, for which technical expertise and experience are indispensable for implementing effective solutions to problems that impede the modernization of agriculture and the improvement of living conditions in the countryside;

That, due to financial constraints, new mechanisms must be implemented for obtaining the technical expertise required for the Institute to fulfill its mandates;

That the rules and regulations of the Institute must be amended to incorporate new ways of acquiring that expertise without increasing the number of international professional staff and, at the same time, showing due respect for applicable law,

RESOLVES:

1. To support the Director General's initiative for creating the category "IICA Associate Expert" as a new source of human resources and expertise for the Institute.

2. To instruct the Director General to:
 - a) Submit to the next Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee draft amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the General Directorate and other rules requiring the approval of IICA's governing bodies necessary for creating the category of Associate Expert as a vehicle for obtaining sufficient technical expertise to carry out IICA's mandates.
 - b) Incorporate the principle of gender equity into this proposal.