**RESOLUTION 401**

ENTERPRISE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (ERP)

HAVING SEEN:

Document IICA/CE/Doc.429(b)(03) "Modernizing the Management Structure of IICA through Technology,"

CONSIDERING:

That modernization of the Institute's technological platform through implementation of an Enterprise Resource Management System (ERP) is essential for providing the services requested by the Member States;

That the Director General's proposal for the ERP will result in savings in administrative costs, greater efficiency, uniform reporting from all IICA Offices, and more effective communications between IICA and its Member States;

That the proposal recommends financing the ERP with a supplementary appropriation from the General Subfund for up to US$1 million plus another US$2.3 million in CATI/INR resources, together with donations and grants from foundations and institutional partners;

That the General Directorate has conducted a thorough evaluation and received bids for the recommended ERP and concluded that an Oracle-based system will best satisfy the Institute's needs,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve the recommendation set out in IICA/CE/Doc.429(b) to implement an Oracle-based ERP in the Institute, subject to the availability of funds.

2. To urge the Director General to make a concerted effort to raise funds for the ERP from IICA's development partners and other donors so as to help reduce the cost of the ERP to the General Subfund.