SUPPORT FOR THE CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNMENT
OF THE REPUBLIC OF PARAGUAY

THE PERMANENT COUNCIL OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES,

BEARING IN MIND the report presented by the Permanent Representative of Paraguay to the Organization of American States on the attempted coup d'état aimed at disrupting the democratic institutions of Paraguay;

CONSIDERING:

That the Charter of the Organization of American States establishes that "representative democracy is an indispensable condition for the stability, peace and development of the region"; and

That the Charter also reaffirms that one of the essential aims of the Organization is the promotion and consolidation of representative democracy within adherence to the principle of nonintervention;

MINDFUL of the mechanisms for preserving, promoting, and strengthening democracy established in the Charter of the Organization, especially Article 9; in resolution AG/RES. 1080 (XXI-O/91), "Representative Democracy"; in the declaration entitled Santiago Commitment to Democracy and the Renewal of the Inter-American System; and in the Declaration of Managua; and

CONSIDERING ALSO the commitment to democracy assumed by the MERCOSUR countries, Bolivia, and Chile in the Protocol of Ushuaia,

RESOLVES:

1. To express the full and unwavering support of the Organization of American States for the Government of the constitutional President of Paraguay, Luis Angel González Macchi.

2. To condemn vehemently this assault on the democratic and constitutional order of Paraguay.
3. To express its appreciation to the Secretary General of the Organization for his swift response in support of the Government of the constitutional President of Paraguay and the Paraguayan people, and for his valuable contribution to the preservation of democracy in that country; and to request the Secretary General to keep the Permanent Council informed on the matter.