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RESOLUTIONS

CECIP/RES. 1 (IV-05)

MID-TERM EVALUATION OF 2004-2007 ACTION PLAN OF THE
INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS (CIP)

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON
PORTS,

HAVING SEEN:

The 2004-2007 Action Plan of the CIP, which includes 14 priority areas of strategic interest to the member countries;

The CIP Secretariat's report, which informs on the activities of the 2004-2007 Action Plan (document CIDI/CIP/doc. 143/05) performed; and

Resolution CIDI/CIP/RES. 58 (IV-05) of the CIP, which entrusts the Executive Board with performing a mid-term evaluation of the 2004-2007 Action Plan and, in addition, proposing any corrective measures necessary;

CONSIDERING:

That the 14 topics declared to be priority issues by the Committee include the following subjects:

- Reforms to and modernization of port systems
- State oversight and participation
- Integral port security
- Excellence in port management
- Strategic port planning
- Port environmental protection
- Port facilitation and the logistical chain
- Ports and the tourism industry
- Port technology
- Development of river and lake ports
- City-port relations
- Port costs and tariffs
- Development of human potential
- International cooperation

RESOLVES:

1. To establish that in general the results of the evaluation of the CIP Secretariat show that to this date there is a partial performance of the 2004-2007 Action Plan, in which an uneven progress is observed in attaining the various objectives and activities of the areas of interest.

2. To identify the following as the areas of interest in which most progress has been achieved the Plan goals and execution of activities:
 - Reforms to and modernization of port systems
 - Integral port security
 - Port environmental protection
 - Port costs and tariffs
 - Development of human potential
 - International cooperation

3. To identify the following as the areas that are in an intermediate stage of development of the Plan goals and execution of activities:
 - Strategic port planning
 - Ports and the tourism industry
 - Port technology
 - State oversight and participation

4. To underscore that the following areas are at a minimum-performance stage:
 - Development of river and lake ports
 - City-port relations
 - Excellence in port management
 - Port facilitation and the logistical chain

5. To entrust the various chairs of the Subcommittees of the Executive Board with presenting to the chair of the Executive Board, with copy to the CIP Secretariat and before February 16, 2006, their strategy, ways to measure the achievement of goals and their work plans (seminars, courses, specific studies and making presentations at the various meetings of the Committee, among others), particularly on those areas of interest with a minimum-performance stage of the Action Plan.

6. To encourage member countries to give their utmost support to the Subcommittees and to present papers and studies on the subjects whose degree of development needs to be improved.

7. To instruct the CIP Secretariat to follow up the execution of strategies, measurement of goals and work plans for the Subcommittees.

8. To instruct the CIP Secretariat to distribute the member countries, especially the Subcommittee's members, the invitation to participate actively in the execution of this resolution.

CECIP/RES. 2 (VII-05)

AGREEMENT ON COOPERATION AND MUTUAL ASSISTANCE AMONG
INTER-AMERICAN PORT AUTHORITIES

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON
PORTS,

HAVING SEEN the report by the CIP Secretariat on the Agreement on
Cooperation and Mutual Assistance among Inter-American Port Authorities (Document
CECIP/doc.5/05); and

CONSIDERING:

That, to date, 18 member states have signed the Agreement on Cooperation and
Mutual Assistance among Inter-American Port Authorities;

That the governments of Argentina, Ecuador, Mexico and Peru have ratified the
aforementioned Agreement; and

That the aforementioned Agreement is in effect based on the ratification by four
countries,

RESOLVES:

1. To express its recognition of the member countries that have agreed to be parties to
and ratified the Agreement on Cooperation and Mutual Assistance among
Inter-American Port Authorities;
2. To encourage member countries that have agreed to be parties to the Agreement to
ratify it;
3. To encourage the member countries that have not yet agreed to be parties to the
aforementioned Agreement to do so, to which end the Agreement is open to be signed
at the headquarters of the Secretariat of the OAS in Washington D.C., as well as in
the meetings and forums of the CIP.

CECIP/RES. 3 (VII-05)

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CIP/OAS AND THE
INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PORTS AND HARBORS (IAPH)

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS,

HAVING SEEN the Memorandum of Understanding between the CIP/OAS and the International Association of Ports and Harbors (IAPH), document CECIP/doc. 15/05; and

CONSIDERING:

That said document constitutes an important instrument for the realization of the objectives and purposes of the CIP/OAS;

That the memorandum sets the basis for the achievement of joint cooperation programs; and

That it is fundamental to extend cooperation among the ports in the hemisphere to other ports of the world,

RESOLVES:

1. To express its recognition of the International Association of Ports and Harbors (IAPH) for subscribing to the Memorandum of Understanding.
2. To request the member countries to take note of the extent of the Memorandum of Understanding and to provide the CIP Secretariat information on the topics of interest.
3. To instruct the Secretariat of the CIP to develop a joint work program with the Secretariat of the IAPH to be executed in the 2006-2007 biennium.

CECIP/RES. 4 (VII-05)

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CIP/OAS AND THE
INTERNATIONAL NAVIGATION ASSOCIATION (PIANC),
UNITED STATES SECTION

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS,

HAVING SEEN the Memorandum of Understanding between the CIP/OAS and the International Navigation Association (PIANC), United States Section, document CECIP/doc. 14/05; and

CONSIDERING:

That said document constitutes an important instrument for the realization of the objectives and purposes of the CIP/OAS;

That the memorandum sets the basis for the achievement of joint cooperation programs; and

That progress and improvement of the port infrastructure and the presence of the private sector are fundamental elements in the development plans of the member countries,

RESOLVES:

1. To express its recognition of the International Navigation Association (PIANC), United States Section for subscribing to the Memorandum of Understanding.
2. To request the member countries to take note of the extent of the Memorandum of Understanding and to provide the CIP Secretariat information on the topics of interest.
3. To instruct the CIP Secretariat to develop a joint work program with the PIANC Secretariat, United States Section, to be executed in the 2006-2007 biennium.

CECIP/RES.5 (VII-05)

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CIP/OAS AND THE
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF PORT AUTHORITIES (AAPA)

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS,

HAVING SEEN the Memorandum of Understanding between the CIP/OAS and
the American Association of Port Authorities (AAPA), document CECIP/doc. 22/05; and

CONSIDERING:

That said document constitutes an important instrument for the realization of the
objectives and purposes of the CIP/OAS;

That the memorandum lays the foundation for the achievement of joint
cooperation programs; and

That it is fundamental for the ports in the hemisphere to strengthen the
connections among all the American ports,

RESOLVES:

1. To express their recognition of the American Association of Port Authorities (AAPA)
for subscribing to the Memorandum of Understanding.
2. To request the member countries to take note of the extent of the Memorandum of
Understanding and to provide the CIP Secretariat information on the topics of
interest.
3. To instruct the Secretariat of the CIP to develop a joint work program with the
Secretariat of the AAPA be executed in the 2006-2007 biennium.

CECIP/RES.6 (VII-05)

SUBCOMMITTEE ON POLICY AND COORDINATION

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS,

HAVING SEEN the Report of the Third Meeting of the Subcommittee on Policy and Coordination of the Executive Board; and

CONSIDERING:

That, by resolution CIDI/CIP/RES. 37 (III-03), the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) approved the creation of the Subcommittee on Policy and Coordination, and by resolution CECIP/RES.2 (V-03) their objectives and functions were approved;

That by resolution CIDI/CIP/RES. 42 (III-03) the 2004-2007 Action Plan of the CIP was approved, which is implemented through the Executive Board (CECIP) and its Subcommittees; and

That it is necessary to define the 2006 Work Plan of the Subcommittee on Policy and Coordination,

RESOLVES:

1. To thank the delegation of Mexico, which chairs this Subcommittee, for the report provided.
2. To approve the following 2006 Work Plan of this Subcommittee:
 - a. CIP and the Executive Committee
 - i. To oversee the faithful execution of the Action Plan of the Subcommittee.
 - ii. To promote integration, linking and mutual cooperation among the member countries of the CIP.
 - iii. To design strategies with the purpose of promoting the participation of member countries that do not attend CIP meetings regularly.
 - iv. To intensify coordination of the chairs of the different subcommittees of the CECIP.
 - v. To design and observe the agendas, calendar and logistics of the meetings to be planned during the year.
 - b. Technical Advisory Groups (TAGs)
 - i. To promote the development of the efforts of the four TAGs.
 - ii. To promote participation of the private sector in the different TAGs.
 - iii. To encourage communication with the associate members of the TAGs.

- iv. To reinforce thematic updating and diversification in the TAGs.
 - v. To evaluate TAGs.
- c. To promote the presence of the CIP in other international forums.
- i. To strengthen the port cooperation of the CIP with organizations and associations such as AAPA, IAPH, PIANC, ECLAC, among others.
 - ii. To strengthen cooperation and exchange with Spain, the country selected to celebrate the first special meeting of the CIP.
 - iii. To promote greater communication and collaboration with observer countries such as France, Portugal, Italy and Russia, among others.
- d. CIP Magazine
- i. To ensure the effective development of the Magazine.
 - ii. To promote the participation of CIP member countries as collaborators of the Magazine.
 - iii. To promote cooperation in advertising for the Magazine.
 - iv. To reinforce communication with the Editorial Board of the Magazine.
3. To entrust the delegation of Mexico, which chairs this Subcommittee with ensuring compliance with this resolution; and also to urge all member countries, particularly those that are members of this Subcommittee (Barbados, El Salvador, United States and Uruguay), to provide the necessary support for implementation of the 2006 Work Plan.

CECIP/RES.7 (VII-05)

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PLANNING AND PORT MANAGEMENT

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS,

HAVING SEEN the Executive Board's Report of the Third Meeting of the Subcommittee on Planning and Port Management; and

CONSIDERING:

That, by resolution CIDI/CIP/RES. 37 (III-03), the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) approved the creation of the Subcommittee on Planning and Port Management, and that, by resolution CECIP/RES.3 (V-03), its objectives and functions were approved;

That, by resolution CIDI/CIP/RES. 42 (III-03) the 2004-2007 Action Plan of the CIP was approved, which is implemented through the Executive Board and its Subcommittees; and

That it is necessary to define the 2006 Work Plan of the Subcommittee on Planning and Port Management,

RESOLVES:

1. To thank the delegation of Chile, which chairs this Subcommittee, for the report provided.
2. To approve the following 2006 Work Plan of this Subcommittee:
 - a. City-port relations and port master plans (Coordination: Brazil)
 - i. Exchange experiences on city-port relations
 - ii. Conduct an international seminar on relevant experiences regarding city-port relations (Date to be determined)
 - b. Port management and quality control (Coordination: Chile)
 - i. Diffuse and promote the use of the most commonly employed planning methodologies in the hemisphere by promoting a network of information on these subject matters
 - ii. Identify the most relevant issues of e-commerce and of logistical chain support;

- iii. Conduct an international seminar to discuss the most relevant experiences on this subject matter
- c. Privatization and modernization of the port sector (Coordination: Ecuador)
 - i. Prepare a register of the countries that have not made progress in applying the port modernization process and identify the main reasons
 - ii. Conduct an international seminar to analyze the possible actions to advance the matter, to be held in Ecuador
- 3. To request the chair of the Subcommittee to present to the chair of the Executive Board, before February 15, 2006, with copy to the CIP Secretariat, the plan with details, including dates, places, and other information on the activities, in order to plan and promote them in a timely fashion.
- 4. To entrust the delegation of Chile, which chairs this Subcommittee, with ensuring compliance with this resolution; and also to urge all member countries, particularly those that are members of this Subcommittee, (Brazil, Canada, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Dominican Republic, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, and Venezuela), to provide the necessary support for implementation of the 2006 Work Plan.

CECIP/RES. 8 (VII-05)

SUBCOMMITTEE ON STATISTICS, COSTS AND TARIFFS

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS,

HAVING SEEN the Report on the Third Meeting of the Subcommittee on Statistics, Costs and Tariffs of the Executive Board; and

CONSIDERING:

That, by resolution CIDI/CIP/RES. 37 (III-03), the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) approved the creation of the Subcommittee on Statistics, Costs and Tariffs, and that by resolution CECIP/RES.4 (V-03) its objectives and functions were approved;

That, by resolution CIDI/CIP/RES. 42 (III-03), the 2004-2007 Plan of Action of the CIP was approved, which is implemented through the Executive Board and its Subcommittees; and

That it is necessary to define the 2006 Work Plan of the Subcommittee on Statistics, Costs and Tariffs,

RESOLVES:

1. To thank the delegation of Peru, which chairs this Subcommittee, for the report provided.
2. To approve the following 2006 Work Plan of this Subcommittee:
 - a. To request the member countries to inform the Chair of this Subcommittee on the model used to determine port tariffs in a container terminal.
 - b. To request the member countries to inform the Chair of this Subcommittee on the main factors that constitute port overpricing and the effect on their countries' foreign commerce.
 - c. To gather and analyze the model(s) used for port traffic forecasts with the objective of circulating the different methodologies applied to the member countries.
 - d. To entrust the Chair of this Subcommittee with the creation of a team of experts from the member countries on these topics to facilitate the flow of information.
 - e. To conduct the following courses:
 - i. Strategic port tariffs

- ii. Port statistics
 - iii. Port costs
3. To request the chair of the Subcommittee to present to the chair of the Executive Board, before February 15, 2006, with copy to the CIP Secretariat, the plan with details, including dates, places, and other information on the activities, in order to plan and promote them in a timely fashion.
 4. To entrust the delegation of Peru, which chairs this Subcommittee, with ensuring compliance with this resolution; and also that all member countries, in particular those that are members of this Subcommittee (Argentina, Barbados, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Uruguay and Venezuela), provide the necessary support for implementation of the 2006 Work Plan.

CECIP/RES. 9 (VII-05)

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PORT DEVELOPMENT FOR CRUISE TOURISM

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS,

HAVING SEEN the Report of the Third Meeting of the Subcommittee on Port Development for Cruise Tourism of the Executive Board of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP); and

CONSIDERING:

That, by resolution CIDI/CIP/RES. 37 (III-03), the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) approved the creation of the Subcommittee on Port Development for Cruise Tourism, and by resolution CECIP/RES.5 (V-03) its objectives and functions were approved;

That, by resolution CIDI/CIP/RES. 42 (III-03), 2004-2007 Action Plan of the CIP was approved, which is implemented through the Executive Board and its Subcommittees; and

That it is necessary to define the 2006 Work Plan of the Subcommittee on Port Development for Cruise Tourism,

RESOLVES:

1. To thank the delegation of Barbados, which chairs this Subcommittee, for the report provided.
2. To adopt the following 2006 Work Plan of this Subcommittee:
 - a. Continue to work on the inventory of passenger terminal designs in order to identify those most appropriate for the member countries. (Coordinators: Dominica and the Dominican Republic)
 - b. Prepare points of reference for a study of the economic impact of cruise tourism using the case study approach. (Coordinator: Dominica and El Salvador)
 - c. Continue work on the creation of the web page to be implemented by June 2006. (Coordinator: Barbados)
 - d. Build on work completed on strategies by initiating a seminar on common strategies for negotiation with cruise ship lines. (Coordinators: Mexico and the Dominican Republic)

- e. Develop a training program on aspects of managing / operating a cruise ship port / terminal (Coordinators: United States and Barbados)
- 3. To request the chair of the Subcommittee to present to the chair of the Executive Board, before February 15, 2006, with copy to the CIP Secretariat, the plan with details, including dates, places, and other information on the activities, in order to plan and promote them in a timely fashion.
- 4. To entrust the delegation of Barbados, which chairs this Subcommittee, with ensuring compliance of this resolution; and also to urge all member countries, in particular those that are members of this Subcommittee (Argentina, Chile, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Trinidad and Tobago, and Venezuela), to provide the necessary support for implementation of the 2006 Work Plan.

CECIP/RES.10 (VII-05)

SUBCOMMITTEE ON RIVER AND LAKE PORT DEVELOPMENT

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS,

HAVING SEEN the Report of the Third Meeting of the Subcommittee on River and Lake Port Development of the Executive Board; and

CONSIDERING:

That, by resolution CIDI/CIP/RES. 37 (III-03), the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) approved the creation of the Subcommittee on River and Lake Port Development, and by resolution CECIP/RES.6 (V-03) its objectives and functions were approved;

That, by resolution CIDI/CIP/RES. 42 (III-03) the 2004-2007 Action Plan of the CIP was approved, which is implemented through the Executive Board and its Subcommittees; and

That it is necessary to define the 2006 Work Plan of the Subcommittee on River and Lake Port Development,

RESOLVES:

1. To thank the delegation of Venezuela, which vice-chairs this subcommittee, for the report provided.
2. To approve the following 2006 Work Plan of this Subcommittee:
 - a. To request information from the member countries with river or lake ports, in order to identify common elements in their design, physical characteristics, operations and administration to develop models leading to greater efficiency, within their specificities (Coordination: Venezuela);
 - b. Based on the preceding information, to produce a model of basic elements for the environmental management and safety contingency plans at those ports (Coordination: Brazil);
 - c. To study the state of the specific regulations on navigation and ports in each country with these type of ports, in order to improve the management of the internal waterways (buoyage, continuity of the navigation, pilotage, dredging, etc.) (Coordination: Argentina); and

- d. To design training programs for administrators and operators of these ports (Coordination: Brazil).
3. To request the delegation of Brazil to send a report by January 31, 2006 to the CIP Secretariat on the work carried out within the framework of this Subcommittee.
4. To request the chair of the Subcommittee to present to the chair of the Executive Board, before February 15, 2006, with copy to the CIP Secretariat, the plan with details, including dates, places, and other information on the activities in order to plan and promote them in a timely fashion.
5. To entrust the delegation of Brazil, which chairs this Subcommittee, with ensuring compliance with this resolution; and also to urge all member countries, in particular those that are members of this Subcommittee (Argentina, Bolivia, Ecuador, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, and Venezuela), to provide the necessary support for implementation of the 2006 Work Plan.

CECIP/RES.11 (VII-05)

SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRAINING

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS,

HAVING SEEN the Report of the Third Meeting of the Subcommittee on Training of the Executive Board; and

CONSIDERING:

That, by resolution CIDI/CIP/RES. 37 (III-03), the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) approved the creation of the Subcommittee on Training, and by resolution CECIP/RES.4 (V-03) its objectives and functions were approved;

That by resolution CIDI/CIP/RES. 42 (III-03) the 2004-2007 Action Plan of the CIP was approved, which is implemented through the Executive Board and its Subcommittees; and

That it is necessary to define the 2006 Work Plan of the Subcommittee on Training;

RESOLVES:

1. To thank the delegation of United States, which chairs this Subcommittee, for the report provided.
2. To approve the following 2006 Work Plan of this Subcommittee:
 - a. To identify and to catalogue the range of courses available for training on port issues throughout the hemisphere by topic, geographical area and format. (classroom, distance education, etc.)
 - b. To develop a short-, medium- and long-term strategy to implement training throughout the hemisphere, emphasizing particularly the regional, language and level of knowledge requirements.
 - c. To explore international and inter-regional sources of financing for cooperation on port training, particularly for less developed ports.

- d. To hold the following courses or seminars:
 - i. Port Management Course (Spain)
 - ii. Operations, Technology and Environmental Protection Course (Spain)
 - iii. Port Tariffs Seminar (Maracaibo, Venezuela)
 - iv. Port Management Course (Dominican Republic)
 - v. Port Costs Seminar (El Salvador)
 - vi. Port Statistics Seminar (Mexico)
 - vii. Port Forum Seminar (Guatemala, Peru and Uruguay)
 - viii. Seminar on Public-Private Participation (CAF)
 - ix. Furthermore, finance the participation of up to two scholarship recipients to the Master's in Port Management and Multimodal Transportation (Valencia, Spain)
3. To request the chairs of the other Subcommittees with interest in including new activities to this program, to send them to the chair of the Subcommittee on Training with copy to the CIP Secretariat, before January 31, 2006, including the goals and strategies of each activity, as well as additional information on its execution, including financing.
4. To request the chair of the Subcommittee to present to the chair of the Executive Board, before February 15, 2006 with copy to the CIP Secretariat, the aforementioned plan with details, including dates, places, and other information on the activities, in order to plan and promote them in a timely fashion.
5. Based on the results of the reports presented by the chair of this Subcommittee to the chair of the Executive Board, the Subcommittee on Policy and Coordination will decide on the use of \$100,000 to cover scholarship expenses. These resources will come from the allocation of a special income to be included in the 2006 Budget of the Port Programs from the surplus of past years.
6. To entrust the United States delegation, which chairs this Subcommittee, with ensuring compliance with this resolution; and also to urge all member countries, especially those that are members of this Subcommittee (Argentina, Barbados, Bolivia, Chile, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Peru, Dominican Republic, Trinidad and Tobago, and Venezuela) to provide the necessary support for implementation of the 2006 Work Plan.

CECIP/RES.12 (VII-05)

SUBCOMMITTEE ON REGIONAL PORT DEVELOPMENT

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS,

HAVING SEEN the Report of the Third Meeting of the Subcommittee on Regional Port Development of the Executive Board; and

CONSIDERING:

That, by resolution CIDI/CIP/RES. 37 (III-03), the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) approved the creation of the Subcommittee on Regional Port Development, and by resolution CECIP/RES.8 (V-03), its objectives and functions were approved;

That, by resolution CIDI/CIP/RES. 42 (III-03), the 2004-2007 Action Plan of the CIP was approved, which is implemented through the Executive Board and its Subcommittees; and

That it is necessary to define the 2006 Work Plan for the Subcommittee on Regional Port Development;

RESOLVES:

1. To thank the delegation from Venezuela, which chairs this Subcommittee, for the report provided.
2. To approve the following 2006 Work Plan for this Subcommittee:
 - a. Complete the tasks approved for 2005 that are still incomplete.
 - b. Identify opportunities for sub-regional integration initiatives in which the port component is determinant, within the agreements of different kinds, according to each case (tariffs, homologation of operations and practices, technical cooperation, joint development projects, among others).
 - c. Start a process of technical and administrative simplification on the port operations in the region, which would consist of attaining the greatest uniformity possible on formats for registration and control of the different steps in port procedures, for the purpose of increasing efficiency in performance.

- d. Contribute to the development of the activities scheduled for the Second Hemispheric Conference on Port Security of the Organization of American States (OAS), and thereby ensure its success.
3. To request the chair of the Subcommittee to present to the chair of the Executive Board, before February 15, 2006, with copy to the CIP Secretariat, the plan with details, including dates, places, and other information on the activities, in order to plan and promote them in a timely fashion.
4. To entrust the delegation from Venezuela, which chairs this Subcommittee, with ensuring compliance with this resolution; and also to urge all member countries, particularly those that are members of this Subcommittee (Argentina, Barbados, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Jamaica, Mexico, Trinidad and Tobago), to provide the necessary support for implementation of the 2006 Work Plan.

CECIP/RES.13 (VII-05)

SUBCOMMITTEE ON THE PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN IN PORT AFFAIRS OF
THE HEMISPHERE

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON
PORTS,

HAVING SEEN the Report of the First Meeting of the Subcommittee on the
Participation of Women in Port Affairs of the Hemisphere of the Executive Board; and

CONSIDERING:

That, by resolution CIDI/CIP/RES. 65 (IV-05), the Inter-American Committee on
Ports (CIP) recommended the creation of the Subcommittee on the Participation of
Women in Port Affairs of the Hemisphere as well as its objectives and functions;

That by resolution CIDI/CIP/RES. 42 (III- 03) the 2006-2007 Action Plan of the
CIP was approved, which is implemented through the Executive Board and its
Subcommittees; and

That it is necessary to define the 2006 Work Plan of the Subcommittee on the
Participation of Women in Port Affairs of the Hemisphere,

RESOLVES:

1. To create the Subcommittee on the Participation of Women in Port Affairs of the Hemisphere.
2. To approve the following organizational structure for the Subcommittee: its Chair will be Venezuela. Vice Chair: Dominican Republic. Regional Coordinations, four: North America: México; Central America: Costa Rica; South America: Ecuador; and the Caribbean: Dominican Republic; and consisting of the member countries Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Chile, Costa Rica, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Jamaica, El Salvador, Guatemala, México, Suriname, and Trinidad and Tobago.
3. To thank the delegation of Venezuela, which chairs this Subcommittee, for the report provided.
4. To recommend to the CIP, at its next meeting, to declare the “Year of the Port Women”.

5. To request the member countries within a period of sixty (60) calendar days to appoint their representatives to the Subcommittee, in order to strengthen the hemispheric network of women in this sector.
6. To approve the 2006 Work Plan of this Subcommittee:
 - a. To prepare a study whose purpose will be to identify the port sector areas in which the participation of women can be promoted, in order to identify the areas in which training is required.
 - b. To hold the Second Seminar of Port Women in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic (April 2006).
 - c. To hold the Second Meeting of the Subcommittee on the Participation of Women in Port Affairs within the framework of the Eighth Meeting of the Executive Board of the CIP (Guayaquil, Ecuador).
 - d. To prepare a link on the website of the CIP, that will lead to the website of the Subcommittee (www.mujerportuaria.com).
7. To request the chair of the Subcommittee to present to the chair of the Executive Board, before February 15, 2006, with copy to the CIP Secretariat, the plan with details, including dates, places, and other information on the activities, in order to plan and promote them in a timely fashion.
8. To entrust the delegation of Venezuela, which chairs this Subcommittee, with ensuring the compliance of this resolution; and also to urge all member countries, especially those that are members of this Subcommittee (Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Chile, Costa Rica, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Jamaica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago) to provide the necessary support for implementation of the 2006 Work Plan.

CECIP/RES. 14 (VII-05)

REPORTS OF THE CHAIRS OF THE SUBCOMMITTEES
OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON
PORTS,

CONSIDERING:

The importance of the work of the eight Subcommittees of the Executive Board;
and

The need for timely receipt and review of the Subcommittees' reports on annual
activities and proposed work plans prior to the Executive Board meetings,

RESOLVES:

1. To request that each Subcommittee chair submit its annual activities report which should include: (i) detail of the achieved activities, including an assessment of the results, follow up strategies, and the measure of the goals achievement (ii) the proposed work plan for the next year, including goals, strategies and measure criteria. This report should be submitted to the CIP Secretariat 30 days prior to the Executive Board meeting in order to allow the Secretariat timely translation.
2. For the case of the Executive Board meeting 2006, the chairs should submit those reports before June 14, 2006.

CECIP/RES. 15 (VII-05)

MECHANISM OF MUTUAL COOPERATION BETWEEN CIP/OAS AND ECLAC

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS,

CONSIDERING:

The hemispheric port community's high level of interest in the joint activities between CIP/OAS and ECLAC;

That it is important to systemize and coordinate the information on port activity in the Americas;

That it is advisable to strengthen the cooperative ties between port authorities and international organizations by systemizing best management practices to promote increased productivity and efficiency; and

That it is relevant to exchange port experiences on port policies and reforms in the Americas,

RESOLVES:

1. To constitute a mechanism of cooperation and coordination on port management in the Americas between the OAS' Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) and the United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), through its Natural Resources and Infrastructure Division (DRNI).
2. To create a joint program on port management in the Americas that includes various activities and studies of mutual interest within the assigned budgets.
3. To communicate to the OAS General Secretariat and ECLAC the importance and reach of this resolution.

CECIP/RES. 16 (VII-05)

MAGAZINE OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS,

CONSIDERING:

That, at the IV Meeting of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) (Maracaibo, Venezuela, September 2005), the inclusion of Chile, Mexico, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela to the 2006-2007 Editorial Board was approved (Resolution CIDI/CIP/RES.66 (IV-05)); and

That Latin Trade Media Management, LL.C., the publishing house for the Magazine, must produce three editions in 2006,

RESOLVES:

1. To identify as the central themes for the three editions in fiscal year 2006: regional blocks; trade exchange between the Americas and Asia; and the environment.
2. To entrust the members of the Editorial Board with collaborating actively in the production of the magazines, to which end an open communication should be established among its members, as well as the Secretariat and publishing house.
3. To request the member countries of the CIP to collaborate with the magazine through supplying information and preparing relevant articles.
4. To urge the CIP Secretariat to regularly request the member countries to support in the magazine production through purchase of advertising space, as well as in the information supplied and production of articles.

CECIP/RES.17 (VII-05)

SUPPORT FOR STRENGTHENING PORT SYSTEMS IN THE OAS

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS,

CONSIDERING:

That the significant increase in production and trade relations carried out by maritime means, and its respective improvement generated by reaching the several Free Trade Agreements executed by countries in the hemisphere require reliance on a strong infrastructure base of highways, airports, and especially sea and river ports as indispensable elements in the logistical chain of merchandise;

That the hemispheric port systems acquire daily greater importance as economic development tools and help in improving regional integration processes;

That the ports constitute one of the principal links in the logistical chain and thus it is necessary to orient them according to an integral vision based on international trade flows; and

That the Organization of American States has been dealing with the important subject of ports since 1956, that is, it has given more than a half century of support to the improvement of hemispheric port systems, with very good operational results and appreciable decreases in transportation costs,

RESOLVES:

1. To urge the member countries to draw the attention of their respective governments to the importance that port systems have taken on in the economic growth of the hemisphere's peoples.
2. To request the member countries that through their respective chancelleries, communicate the OAS General Secretariat of its interest in strengthening the Inter-American Committee on Ports in order to develop the cooperation for the developing of the hemispheric port systems.
3. To entrust the CIP Secretary of the Committee to promote and support before the Secretary General the request that port issues be declared a priority in the Organization as a tool for hemispheric economic development.

CECIP/RES.18 (VII-05)

COMMEMORATION OF THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF PARTICIPATION OF THE
OAS IN PORT MATTERS

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON
PORTS,

CONSIDERING:

That the OAS has been performing activities for evaluation, development and promotion of port issues since 1956, with the First Port Conference held in Costa Rica;

That, in consequence, in 2006, fifty years will have been completed in which the OAS has emphasized among its activities development of the Hemisphere's ports, first in the Inter-American Ports Conference, and since 1998, as the Inter-American Committee on Ports;

That these activities constitute a significant course which has allowed incorporation of a large number of technical issues of interest and that also permits looking into the future with optimism;

That today it is necessary to point out that ports have become one of the most important tools for economic development of peoples and for achieving the goals that have been set by new concepts in the world wide macroeconomic system;

That port activity constitutes one of the most relevant links for solutions in the logistical chain of transportation; and

That the work undertaken by the OAS through its Inter-American Port Conference has been a fundamental element for economic development, especially because it is carried out through this organization which is the only inter-American forum that gathers the highest governmental port authorities for the purpose of encouraging the cooperation of the Hemisphere's peoples,

RESOLVES:

1. To commemorate the 50th anniversary of participation of the OAS in port matters in 2006.
2. To form a Special Committee, presided over by the Vice Chair of the Executive Board (El Salvador) and composed of the Chairs of the Subcommittees of the Executive Board (Barbados, Brazil, Chile, Mexico, Peru, United States and Venezuela), which shall have as its sole objective preparing and executing the "Commemoration Program" in 2006. Said program should be produced before February 15, 2006.

3. To incorporate in the 2006 budget a special allocation, with a maximum of US\$10,000, from the surplus funds of the port programs of past years, to encourage financing the activities of the program that the Commission carries out.
4. To urge the CIP Secretariat to collaborate with the Special Commission in the preparation, dissemination and implementation of these important activities.

CECIP/RES 19(VII-05)

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS FOR 2004

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS,

HAVING SEEN the attached Report of the Independent Public Accountants on an audit of the statement of assets, liabilities, and balance of the fund of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP), as well as the statement of changes in fund balance, as of December 31, 2004 (CECIP/doc. 11/05);

CONSIDERING:

That, at the Fourth Meeting of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) (Maracaibo, Venezuela, September 2005), the CIP Secretariat was entrusted with requesting an external audit for the fiscal year that closed on December 31, 2004, in keeping with accounting and auditing principles and with the General Standards of the OAS applied to these types of activities. Furthermore, the Secretariat was authorized to use up to a maximum of 10% of the funds of the Fixed Reserve Fund to pay the above-mentioned external audit fees (resolution CIDI/CIP/RES.67 (IV-05)); and

That the request made by the Fourth Meeting in the above-mentioned resolution has been fulfilled,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve the external audit report of the statement of assets, liabilities, and balance of the fund of the CIP and of the changes in fund balance, as of December 31, 2004, as well as the financial report for 2004.
2. To thank the CIP Secretariat and the OAS General Secretariat for complying with the agreement on this matter.
3. To request the member countries that would like to have additional information about the aforementioned report, to communicate with the CIP Secretariat.

CECIP/RES. 20 (VII-05)

REPORT ON THE STATUS OF THE SPECIAL PORTS PROGRAM AND
BUDGET OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS (CIP) 2006-2007

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON
PORTS,

HAVING SEEN:

The 2005 Consolidated Financial Statements (document CECIP/doc.12/05);

The 2006-2007 Draft Budget of the Specific Fund of the Special Port Programs (CECIP/doc.13/05) presented by the CIP Secretariat;

The resolution CIDI/CIP/RES. 67 (IV-05) of the Committee authorized the Executive Board to approve the budget of the port programs for the period 2006-2007; and which establishes the quota of \$6,000 annually per member country as contribution for the port program,

CONSIDERING:

That it is the responsibility of the Executive Board to approve the budget for the period 2006-2007; and

That said budget will have the earnings from member countries' port authorities contributions and from other sources of the activities of cooperation for the development of the hemispheric port sector;

RESOLVES:

1. To approve the report on the status of the 2005 port programs.
2. To approve the 2006-2007 budget of the CIP, which is attached, including the special allocations of \$100,000 in 2006 for training scholarships and of \$10,000 for the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the participation of the OAS in port matters.
3. To urge member countries to promptly pay their annual contributions of US\$6,000, emphasizing those with outstanding payments.

4. To reiterate that all member countries that have outstanding payments as of April 15, 2006 will not benefit from the CIP activities carried out with these funds.

CECIP/RES. 21 (VII-05)

FIRST SPECIAL MEETING OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS
(CIP)

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS,

HAVING SEEN the report on the Special Meeting of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP), document CECIP/doc. 17/05; and

CONSIDERING:

That, at the IV Meeting of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) (Maracaibo, Venezuela, September 2005), the First Special Meeting of the CIP in Algeciras, Spain in 2006 was approved, in response to the kind offer by the *Organismo Público de Puertos del Estado de España* (Resolution CIDI/CIP/RES.68 (IV-05);

RESOLVES:

1. To hold the First Special Meeting of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) of the Organization of American States (OAS) in the city of Algeciras, Spain, May 17 through 19, 2006.
2. To entrust the Secretariat of the CIP, together with the *Organismo Público de Puertos del Estado de España* and the Port Authority of Bahía de Algeciras to prepare the final program for said meeting within the framework of its performance schedule.
3. To reiterate its appreciation to the *Organismo Público de Puertos del Estado de España* and the Port Authority of Bahía de Algeciras for their kind offer to host such an important event.

CECIP/RES.22 (VII-05)

FIRST HEMISPHERIC CONFERENCE ON PORT ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON
PORTS,

HAVING SEEN the report of the First Hemispheric Conference on Port
Environmental Protection of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP), document
CECIP/doc. 18/05; and

CONSIDERING:

That, in the Fourth Meeting of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP)
(Maracaibo, Venezuela, September 2005), in response to the kind offer by the delegation
of Panama, it was resolved to hold the First Hemispheric Conference on Port
Environmental Protection (resolution CIDI/CIP/RES.69 (IV-05));

RESOLVES:

1. To hold the First Hemispheric Conference on Port Environmental Protection in
Panama City, Panama, April 11-13, 2007.
2. To urge the Secretariat of the CIP jointly with the *Autoridad Marítima de Panamá* to
draft the final program of the aforementioned meeting within the framework of its
performance schedule, and collaborating with the *Instituto Nacional de los Espacios
Acuáticos e Insulares (INEA)* of Venezuela.
3. To reiterate its gratitude to the delegation of Panama for its kind offer to hold such an
important event.

CECIP/RES.23 (VII-05)

SECOND HEMISPHERIC CONFERENCE OF THE ORGANIZATION OF
AMERICAN STATES (OAS) ON PORT SECURITY

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON
PORTS,

HAVING SEEN the report on the Second Hemispheric Conference of the
Organization of American States (OAS) on Port Security, document CECIP/doc. 19/05;

CONSIDERING:

That at the Fourth Meeting of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP)
(Maracaibo, Venezuela, September 2005), in response to the kind offer by the delegation
of Venezuela, it was approved to hold the Second Hemispheric Conference of the OAS
on Port Security in Venezuela (resolution CIDI/CIP/RES.70 (IV-05));

RESOLVES:

1. To hold the Second Hemispheric Conference of the OAS on Port Security in the city
of Puerto de la Cruz, State of Anzoátegui, Venezuela in October 2006;
2. To entrust the Secretariat of the CIP, jointly with the *Instituto Nacional de los
Espacios Acuáticos e Insulares (INEA)* of Venezuela, with drafting the final program
of the aforementioned meeting
3. To reiterate its gratitude to the delegation of Venezuela for its kind offer to hold such
an important event.

CECIP/RES. 24 (VII-05)

PLACE AND DATE OF THE EIGHTH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS,

CONSIDERING:

That Article 63, numeral 2 of the Rules of Procedure of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) provides that the Executive Board shall meet once a year; and

That the Government of Ecuador has graciously offered to host the Eighth Meeting of the Executive Board to be held in 2006;

RESOLVES:

1. To hold the Eighth Meeting of the Executive Board of the Inter-American Committee on Ports in the city of Guayaquil, Ecuador, June 26 to 30, 2006;
2. To entrust the CIP Secretariat with coordinating the definitive program with the Government of Ecuador;
3. To reiterate its appreciation to the Government of Ecuador for its kind offer to hold such an important event.

CECIP/RES.25 (VII-05)

PLACE AND DATE OF THE NINTH MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS,

CONSIDERING:

That Article 63, Number 2 of the Rules of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP), provides that the Executive Board must meet once each year; and

That the Government of Guatemala has kindly offered to host the Ninth Meeting of the Executive Board, to be held in 2007,

RESOLVES:

1. To hold the Ninth Meeting of the Executive Board of the Inter-American Committee on Ports in Guatemala in November 2007.
2. To express its appreciation to the Government of Guatemala for its kind offer to hold such an important event.

CECIP/RES.26 (VII-05)

VOTE OF THANKS

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON PORTS,

CONSIDERING:

That the Seventh Meeting of the Executive Board of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP), held in Houston, Texas, United States, and organized by the Houston Port Authority, has taken place successfully;

That the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States (OAS), through the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP), has contributed to the success of the meeting; and

That other public and private institutions in the United States have contributed to the meeting's development;

RESOLVES:

1. To express its sincere appreciation to the Government of the United States, and especially to the Port Authority of Houston, for their outstanding work in organizing and holding this meeting.
2. To thank the General Secretariat of the OAS, especially the Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP), for valuable and important contributions to the success of the work for this meeting of the Executive Board.
3. To express its gratitude to all of the international organizations, institutions, and companies who have contributed to the success of this meeting.