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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

REITERATING the importance of having up-to-date strategies and mechanisms that facilitate hemispheric cooperation to address all aspects of the world drug problem;

RECALLING:

That the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD) adopted the Anti-Drug Strategy in the Hemisphere in 1996 and in 1998 developed a Plan of Action for implementation thereof; and

That the United Nations General Assembly convened its Twentieth Special Session on the World Drug Problem in 1998 (UNGASS 98), at which a Political Declaration and Plan of Action were adopted;

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT:

That the United Nations Commission on Narcotic Drugs (CND) at its Fifty-second Session, in 2009, held a high-level segment in order to examine the progress of the commitments, goals, and objectives outlined in UNGASS 98, and adopted a new Political Declaration and Plan of Action on international cooperation for an integral and balanced strategy to counter the world drug problem, which updates the commitments and measures that the member states should undertake; and

That, as part of the preparatory process for the high-level segment of the CND, CICAD tasked its Governmental Expert Group with drafting a document on the *Progress of OAS Member States on the UNGASS objectives and goals 1998-2008* that reflects the realities of the Hemisphere, and entrusted the Chair of the Commission with presenting it to the CND;

CONSIDERING that at the forty-fifth regular session of CICAD, the Chair opened a dialogue on new challenges for CICAD, with the participation of the Secretary General of the Organization, during which the need to review the hemispheric instruments that harness collective energies against the drug problem, especially the Anti-Drug Strategy in the Hemisphere and its Plan of Action, was proposed;

CONSIDERING ALSO that the member states agreed by consensus on the proposal to begin the review process, for which a methodology was adopted including a timeline of work, and elected Brazil as the coordinator of the process; and

NOTING WITH SATISFACTION the offer by Brazil, in accordance with the CICAD resolution, to organize and host the meeting of a working group to review and consider options for updating and strengthening the Anti-Drug Strategy in the Hemisphere and its Plan of Action,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To invite all member states, through the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), to contribute to and participate in the process of review and updating of the Anti-Drug Strategy in the Hemisphere and its Plan of Action.
- 2. To accept with gratitude the offer by the Government of Brazil to host the meeting of the Working Group, and to coordinate the review and updating process up to and until the results are presented to CICAD at its forty-sixth regular session, to be held in November 2009.

- 3. To instruct the General Secretariat, through the Secretariat for Multidimensional Security and its pertinent subsidiary departments, in particular the Executive Secretariat of CICAD, to provide technical and administrative support to the process of reviewing and updating the Anti-Drug Strategy in the Hemisphere and its Plan of Action.
- 4. To request that the Permanent Council, with the support of the General Secretariat, report to the General Assembly at its fortieth regular session on the implementation of the present resolution.