

AG/RES. 2074 (XXXV-O/05)

STANDARDS FOR THE PREPARATION OF PERIODIC REPORTS PURSUANT  
TO THE PROTOCOL OF SAN SALVADOR

(Adopted at the fourth plenary session, held on June 7, 2005)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the Annual Report of the Permanent Council to the General Assembly (AG/doc.4376/05 add. 3), as well as resolutions AG/RES. 2030 (XXXIV-O/04) and AG/RES. 2041 (XXXIV-O/04);

CONSIDERING the provisions of the American Convention on Human Rights, Chapter III of which refers to economic, social, and cultural rights;

UNDERSCORING the entry into force, in November 1999, of the Additional Protocol to the American Convention on Human Rights in the Area of Economic, Social and Cultural Rights "Protocol of San Salvador," and its ratification by 13 member states of the Organization of American States;

RECALLING that both the American Convention and the Protocol of San Salvador recognize that the essential rights of an individual are not derived from one's being a national of a certain state, but are based upon attributes of the human person;

BEARING IN MIND that, in Article 19 of the Protocol of San Salvador, the states parties undertake to submit, pursuant to the provisions of that article and the corresponding rules to be formulated for that purpose by the OAS General Assembly, periodic reports on the progressive measures they have taken to ensure due respect for the rights set forth in said Protocol; and

RECOGNIZING that, in resolution AG/RES. 2030 (XXXIV-O/04), the Permanent Council was instructed to propose standards for the preparation of the periodic reports referred to in the preceding paragraph,

RESOLVES:

1. To adopt the Standards for the Preparation of Periodic Reports pursuant to Article 19 of the Protocol of San Salvador, which are appended to this resolution.

2. To instruct the Permanent Council to make proposals as soon as possible, through the Committee on Juridical and Political Affairs, on the composition and functioning of the Working Group established to examine the national reports, which would constitute qualitative progress in the area.

3. To request the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights to propose to the Permanent Council for possible adoption, pursuant to the Standards referred to in operative paragraph 1 of this resolution, the progress indicators to be used for each group of protected rights on

which information is to be provided, taking into account, among other things, the contributions of the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights.

4. To direct that the time periods for submission of the national progress reports that the states parties to the Protocol of San Salvador are to present begin with the Permanent Council's fulfillment of the provisions of operative paragraphs 2 and 3 of this resolution.

5. To urge member states to consider signing and ratifying, ratifying, or acceding to, as the case may be, the Additional Protocol to the American Convention on Human Rights in the Area of Economic, Social and Cultural Rights "Protocol of San Salvador."

6. To request the Permanent Council to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-sixth regular session on the implementation of this resolution, which will be carried out within the resources allocated in the program-budget of the Organization and other resources.