

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP  
TO PREPARE THE DRAFT AMERICAN DECLARATION  
ON THE RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

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CONVOCATION

The Chair of the Working Group to Prepare the Draft American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples is pleased to invite the representatives of the member states of the Organization of American States (OAS) and the representatives of the indigenous peoples of the Americas to the special meeting of the Working Group to be held from March 11 to 15, 2002, at the headquarters of the OAS in Washington, D.C.

The special meeting is being convened pursuant to resolution AG/RES. 1780 (XXXI-O/01) of the OAS General Assembly, held in San José, Costa Rica, in June 2001. It will follow the same procedure as that used at the special meeting of April 2001.

The Chair of the Working Group is looking forward to broad and open participation by the representatives of the states and of the indigenous peoples with a view to making significant progress in the deliberations aimed at the approval of the Draft American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

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