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Secretary General of the
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AMENDMENT OF THE STATUTES OF THE INTER-AMERICAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL (CIES)

(Resolution adopted at the tenth plenary session held on October 30, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN section III.4.e of resolution AG/RES. 321 adopted by the General Assembly at its fifth special session in which it recommended to the Inter-American Economic and Social Council and to its Permanent Executive Committee that they revise their rules governing review of the proposed program-budget of the Organization, and

CONSIDERING:

That the fourteenth regular annual meeting of CIES at the Ministerial Level proposed to the General Assembly, through resolution CIES/RES. 165 (XIV-0/79), that Articles 22, 23 and 31 of the Statutes of CIES be amended,

RESOLVES:

1. To amend paragraphs (g) and (h) of Article 22 of the Statutes of CIES to read as follows:

   g. To formulate and adopt recommendations on the part of the proposed program-budget of the Organization prepared and presented by the General Secretariat in the area of the competence of the Council, for the purposes referred to in Article 118 (c) of the Charter, unless its Permanent Executive Committee has previously done so.

   Should CIECIES have formulated and adopted the abovementioned recommendations, the Council shall take note of any report the Committee may send it in this regard so that it can evaluate implementation of the program guidelines it has previously established.

   h. Initiatives by the member states and the organs and entities on projects and activities not included in the approved program-budget that involve expenditures shall be submitted to the Council after they have been considered by its Permanent Executive Committee."
3. To amend Article 23 to read as follows:

"Article 23. The agenda for the regular annual meeting of the Council and the proposed program-budget or the CEP/CIES report on it shall be sent to the member states not less than sixty days before the opening date of the meeting.

The member states shall receive all documents needed for study of the various topics on the agenda not less than thirty days before the opening date of the meeting."

3. To include the following text as paragraph (b) of Article 23:

b. To formulate and adopt recommendations on the part of the proposed program-budget of the Organization prepared and presented by the General Secretariat in the area of competence of the Council, for the purposes referred to in Article 118 (c) of the Charter. Whenever CIES has not previously made such recommendation, CEP/CIES shall then report to CIES on the matter to enable the Council to evaluate implementation of the program guidelines it has previously established."

Former paragraphs (b) through (e) now become (c) through (f) respectively.
CONVOCATION OF THE EIGHTH INTER-AMERICAN CONFERENCE ON AGRICULTURE

(Resolution adopted at the tenth plenary session held on October 30, 1979)

WHEREAS:

The Inter-American Economic and Social Council (CIES) at its fourteenth regular annual meeting decided that CEPCIES should study the agenda and justification of the Eighth Inter-American Conference on Agriculture, and report directly to the next regular session of the General Assembly on the convocation of that Conference, and

Resolution CIES/RES. 164 (XIV-0/79) establishes the second quarter of the calendar year as the period in which the specialized conferences in the area of competence of CIES should properly be held,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

To convolve the Eighth Inter-American Conference on Agriculture to be held preferably in the second quarter of 1981.
AG/RES. 389 (IX-0/79)

CONVOCATION OF THE FOURTEENTH INTER-AMERICAN
TRAVEL CONGRESS

(Resolution adopted at the tenth plenary session
held on October 30, 1979)

WHEREAS:

The fourteenth regular meeting of the Inter-American Economic
and Social Council has recommended in resolution CIES/RES. 162 (XIV-
0/79) that the General Assembly convene the Fourteenth Inter-American
Travel Congress,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

1. To accept the offer of the Government of Chile to host the
Fourteenth Inter-American Travel Congress.

2. To convocate the Fourteenth Inter-American Travel Congress in
the second quarter of 1980 in Santiago, Chile.
AG/RES. 390 (IX-0/79)

FIVE-YEAR PERIOD OF TOURISM DEVELOPMENT IN THE AMERICAS

(Resolution adopted at the tenth plenary session held on October 30, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN resolution CIES/RES. 161 (XIV-0/79) on the Minimum Program for the Five-Year Period of Tourism Development in the Americas, and

CONSIDERING:

The recommendation of the fourteenth regular annual meeting of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council on the Proclamation of the Five-Year Period of Tourism Development in the Americas,

RESOLVES:

1. To proclaim the Five-Year Period of Tourism Development in the Americas, and to adopt the program prepared for it by the General Secretariat (doc. CIES/3418).

2. To instruct CEFCIES to submit to the next regular annual meeting of CIES the programming for the program-budget of the Five-Year Period of Tourism Development in the Americas during 1981, and estimates up to 1984.

3. To instruct the General Secretariat to study the possibility of finding additional sources of funding.
AG/RES. 391 (IX-0/79)

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INTER-AMERICAN ECONOMIC
AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

(Resolution adopted at the tenth plenary session
held on October 30, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the annual report presented by the Inter-American
Economic and Social Council (CIES) (AG/doc.1103/79, AG/doc.1103/79
add. 1, 2 and 3),

RESOLVES:

1. To note with interest the report of the Inter-American Economic
   and Social Council to the ninth regular session of the General Assembly,
   which includes the final report of the ninth regular meeting of the
   Special Committee for Consultation and Negotiation (CECON).

2. To note with satisfaction the resolutions adopted by the
   fourteenth regular annual meeting of CIES held in Barbados.
MEAT EXPORTS FOR THE UNITED STATES MARKET

(Resolution adopted at the tenth plenary session held on October 30, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the report of the rapporteur of the Ad Hoc Group on Trade in Lima, Peru, June 25-28, 1979 (doc. CIES/CECON/COMERCIO 170 rev. 2);

The report of the rapporteur of the ninth regular meeting of the Special Committee for Consultation and Negotiation (CECON) in Washington, D.C., September 11-14, 1979 (doc. CIES/CECON 371 rev. 1), and

The annual report of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council to the ninth regular session of the General Assembly in La Paz, Bolivia, and

CONSIDERING:

That the Latin American and Caribbean countries are deeply concerned over the difficult conditions of entry of basic products from the developing countries to the United States market;

That fresh, chilled and frozen meat is an important basic export product for several Latin American and Caribbean countries;

That the efforts of the Latin American and Caribbean countries to diversify their exports of basic products, particularly meat, would be frustrated if the United States government were to take anticyclical measures concerning that product, and

That the meat exported by the Latin American and Caribbean countries to the United States does not represent any competition for domestic producers in that country,

RESOLVES:

1. To transmit to the government of the United States the concerns voiced by the Latin American and Caribbean countries in the aforementioned reports.
2. To request the United States government to make every possible effort to find ways of establishing and ensuring suitable conditions of entry to its market for fresh, chilled and frozen meat from the Latin American and Caribbean countries so that meat exports from these countries to the United States will not be adversely affected.
AG/RES. 393 (IX-0/79)

PANAMA CANAL TOLLS

(Resolution adopted at the tenth plenary session held on October 30, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the report (AG/doc.1104/79) of 8 October 1979 on "The Effect of Panama Canal Toll Increases on the Foreign Trade of Certain Latin American Countries" presented in compliance with resolution AG/RES. 353 (VIII-0/78), and

CONSIDERING:

That the increases in Panama Canal tolls adversely affect the foreign trade of some Latin American countries and consequently have an unfavorable impact on their economic and social development, and

That CIES resolution REM-1/70 established a system of consultation with the United States prior to adoption by that country of measures that might adversely affect imports from the Latin American countries,

RESOLVES:

1. To request the United States to hold the consultations called for in resolution REM-1/70 before it makes any increases in the Panama Canal tolls or takes any other type of measure that might adversely affect the economic and social development of the Latin American and Caribbean countries.

2. To instruct the General Secretariat, in cooperation with any Latin American and Caribbean governments that so request, to conduct studies to identify their foreign trade flows, and the effects of possible increases in tolls, transportation costs and port services, and to report on the progress made on those studies to the next regular meeting of CECON.

3. To instruct the General Secretariat to continue its study of the economic effects of the Panama Canal tolls. This study shall be analyzed by CECON so that it may submit to the next regular session of the General Assembly, through CIES, pertinent recommendations designed to alleviate the effect of those increases on products of particular interest to those developing countries that are most heavily dependent on traffic through the Panama Canal.
AG/RES. 394 (IX-0/79)

CONTINUED OPERATION OF THE INTER-AMERICAN CENTER FOR TRAINING IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (CICAP) IN 1980

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN resolution CIES/RES. 160 (XIV-0/79) on continuation of the operation of CICAP in 1980, and

CONSIDERING:

The recommendation of the fourteenth regular annual meeting of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council at the ministerial level that the operations of CICAP be continued in 1980,

RESOLVES:

1. To continue the Inter-American Center for Training in Public Administration in 1980 as an inter-American center with its present organization and program.

2. To instruct CEP/CIES to make an evaluation during 1980 of the operations of the Center, in conjunction with the General Secretariat and the host country, and to present its recommendations thereon to CIES at its fifteenth regular annual meeting at the ministerial level.
AG/RES. 395 (IX-0/79)

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS OF CIES AND ITS SUBSIDIARY BODIES
FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY-DECEMBER 1980

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary
session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN resolution CIES/RES. 169 (XIV-0/79) of the fourteenth
regular annual meeting of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council
at the ministerial level, and

CONSIDERING:

The mandate contained in resolution AG/RES. 56 (I-0/71) and AG/
RES. 59 (I-0/71) on the schedule of meetings,

RESOLVES:

To approve the following schedule of meetings of CIES and its sub-
sidiary bodies (doc. CIES/3415) on the understanding that this document is
an indication designed to satisfy the provisions of resolution AG/RES. 56
(I-0/71) and AG/RES. 59 (I-0/71); consequently, approval of it does not
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AG/RES. 396 (IX-0/79)

EXCLUSION OF ECUADOR AND VENEZUELA FROM THE U.S. GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

WHEREAS:

The Latin American countries have repeatedly protested to all the competent organs of the Organization the exclusion of Ecuador and Venezuela from the U.S. Generalized System of Preferences (GSP);

The government of the United States enacted Public Law 96/39, Trade Agreements Act of 1979, which, inter alia, altered legal provisions with respect to the exclusion of members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) from the GSP, so that members of OPEC that qualify as beneficiary countries may now receive preferential treatment for eligible products, provided that bilateral trade agreements on specific products are negotiated between such countries and the United States, that such agreements are made before January 3, 1980, and that those countries continue to supply petroleum to the United States, and

These same terms do not apply to any other developing country that is a GSP beneficiary,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLVES:

1. To acknowledge the efforts of the government of the United States to amend its legislation to permit the inclusion of Ecuador and Venezuela in its Generalized System of Preferences.

2. To state that the provisions of the Trade Agreements Act of 1979 constitute an initial attempt by the United States to find a possible solution to the problem, but that the two affected countries are still studying the character and nature of these terms, since they have not been applied to any other beneficiary country of the System.

3. To instruct CECON and CIES to remain alert to developments in this problem, and to report any such developments to the Permanent Council, so that the Council in turn may report them to the tenth regular session of the General Assembly.
AG/RES. 397 (JX-0/79)

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AG/RES. 390 (IX-0/79)

RESOLUTION OF SANTIAGO
THE FIRST DECADE OF THE REGIONAL EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL PROGRAMS

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the Resolution of Santiago, (CIECC-364/78) of the Inter-American Council for Education, Science, and Culture, and

CONSIDERING:

That the activities of CIECC during its first decade have made significant contribution to educational, scientific, and cultural development of the member states, and

That these activities have been an example of horizontal cooperation and have been a demonstration of the generous and constructive position of the member states of the Organization,

RESOLVES:

To take note, with satisfaction, of the Resolution of Santiago (Chile), and to consider it as an expression of CIECC's accomplishment of the functions and duties assigned to it in the Charter of the Organization.
AG/RES. 399 (IX-0/79)

CORRIGENDUM TO THE 1978 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COUNCIL FOR EDUCATION, SCIENCE, AND CULTURE

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the corrigendum to the 1978 annual report of the Inter-American Council for Education, Science, and Culture (CIECC), page 5 of document AG/doc.1127/79, prepared by the General Secretariat in compliance with the mandate approved by that Council,

RESOLVES:

To take note of the changes to the 1978 annual report of the Inter-American Council for Education, Science, and Culture (CIECC-doc.3/78 corr.1) contained in the corrigendum to that report prepared by the Secretariat, as they appear on page 5 of document AG/doc.1127/79.
AG/RES. 400 (IX-0/79)

IN-DEPTH STUDY OF ACTIVITIES IN THE AREA OF EDUCATION, SCIENCE, AND CULTURE

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN resolution CIECC-368/78 adopted by the Inter-American Council for Education, Science, and Culture at its tenth regular meeting in relation to the in-depth study of activities in the area of education, science, and culture, and

CONSIDERING:

That the study makes a number of recommendations of great interest to the Inter-American Council for Education, Science, and Culture, and that the principal purpose of those recommendations is to achieve greater operating efficiency by increasing the productivity of the activities of the area,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of resolution CIECC-368/78, and to express its pleasure at the steps taken by the Inter-American Council for Education, Science, and Culture and by the General Secretariat to implement the recommendations of the in-depth study of activities in the area of education, science, and culture,

2. To instruct the Permanent Council to consider the study in question together with the other studies referred to in resolution AG/RES. 321 (V-E/77).
WHEREAS:

It is unnecessary to refer to the General Assembly each time a new country enters the Organization or there is a change in one of the factors involved in the establishment of the multiplier factors for the Mar del Plata Account, and

It would therefore be advisable that the provisions of operative paragraphs 8 (f) and (g) of the Resolution of Mar del Plata be limited to establishing certain general guidelines or criteria that would enable CIECC, when necessary, to make the pertinent adjustments,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

1. To authorize CIECC to make any future adjustments in the multiplier factors for the Mar del Plata Account as may become necessary when a new member state joins the Account or when there is a change in any other element involved in the determination of those multiplier factors.

2. To state that in future, when the adjustments referred to in the preceding paragraph are made, account shall be taken of one of the principles of the Mar del Plata Account, which is to achieve an equitable and proportionate distribution of benefits, while giving preference to the relatively-less-developed countries.

3. To amend paragraph (f) of operative paragraph 8 of the Resolution of Mar del Plata to read as follows:

"Net resources for programming obtained from the total fund, once the deduction called for in paragraph (e) of this operative paragraph has been made, shall be distributed equitably by CIECC in accordance with the multiplier factors established through resolution AG/RES. 336 (VIII-0/78) which could be adjusted by CIECC when new members join or when any other element involved in the determination of those multiplier factors changes."
The readjustments made by CEPCIECC in accordance with the preceding paragraph shall be made in such a way that they affect all participants in the Mar del Plata Account proportionately and equitably, taking into account the preferential consideration that should be given to activities designed to benefit the relatively-less developed countries."

4. To amend paragraph (g) of operative paragraph 8 of the Resolution of Mar del Plata to read as follows:

"CEPCIECC is authorized to finance, for one time only, projects for a new member state that has made a pledge to the Mar del Plata Account, and charge the same to the Reserve Sub-fund established by the Complementary Standards governing this resolution, in an amount that, in relation to its contribution to the Fund, constitutes a proportion no larger than that for other countries."
AG/RES. 402 (IX-O/79)

ANTIGUA GUATEMALA - MONUMENT OF AMERICA

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN resolution CIECC-416/78 adopted by the tenth regular meeting of the Inter-American Council for Education, Science, and Culture, and

CONSIDERING:

That the city of Antigua Guatemala is one of the most perfect expressions of the historical and artistic wealth of our region, and

That on more than one occasion, both the General Assembly and the Pan American Institute of Geography and History have expressed their concern over this historic group of monuments,

RESOLVES:

That in all documents of the OAS in which reference is made to the city of Antigua Guatemala, the phrase "Monument of America" be added.
AG/RES. 403 (IX-0/79)

OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES FOR ATTAINING THE GOALS SET IN THE RESOLUTION OF BRIDGETOWN

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

WHEREAS:

The Inter-American Council for Education, Science, and Culture adopted resolution CIECC-420/79, Resolution of Bridgetown, in regard to increased funding for and strengthening of FEMCIECC;

In the Resolution of Bridgetown, the member states recognized and stressed the primary importance that the activities in the CIECC area have had in the educational, technological and scientific, and cultural development of Latin America over CIECC's first decade, and the benefits these activities have brought to the region;

The member states have shown special interest in strengthening and improving cooperation for development, and

It is advisable to determine what procedures are required for the spirit of the Resolution of Bridgetown to become a reality,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

1. To take note with satisfaction of the direct appeal made in the Resolution of Bridgetown for a considerable increase in the funds to be made available to the region through the CIECC programs.

2. To endorse the appeal to the member states to increase their voluntary pledges, as a clear and significant response to the Resolution of Bridgetown.

3. To instruct the General Secretariat to prepare a working document containing alternative criteria and procedures for achieving the goals set in the Resolution of Bridgetown to strengthen the regional programs in the area of education, science and technology, and culture.

4. To provide that the document referred to in the previous paragraph be submitted for consideration to CEPCIECC, which shall transmit it, with its opinion thereon, to the member states, so that they may state their views.
5. To instruct CEPCIECC to revise that document in the light of the comments made by the member states, and to prepare the final version, to be submitted to CIECC for consideration, if possible, at its eleventh regular meeting.
AG/RES. 404 (IX-O/79)

EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROPRIATIONS FROM
THE MAR DEL PLATA ACCOUNT

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session
held on October 31, 1979)

HAVING SEEN resolution CIECC-431/79 adopted by the Inter-American
Council for Education, Science, and Culture, and

CONSIDERING:

That the primary objective in establishing the special projects
of the Mar del Plata account, as stated in resolution CIECC-137/72
rev. 3, is to promote new projects that will use the educational,
scientific and technological infrastructure in solving the overall
development problems of the member states;

That these projects are of definite duration, are preferably of
a multidisciplinary nature, and include a multinational cooperation
component, and

That implementation of these projects would be facilitated if
the appropriations were maintained for the duration of the projects,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

To adopt the following addition to Article 73 of the General
Standards:

"In connection with special projects of the Mar del Plata
account, the appropriations shall be available for the entire
duration of each special project. It is understood that a
special project goes into effect on the date on which the General
Secretariat approves the pertinent plan of operations".
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the annual report of the Inter-American Council for Education, Science, and Culture (CIECC), AG/doc.1105/79, prepared by the Permanent Executive Committee of the Inter-American Council for Education, Science, and Culture (CEPCIECC), and adopted by CIECC through resolution CIECC-421/79 at its tenth regular meeting,

RESOLVES:

To take note of the annual report of the Inter-American Council for Education, Science, and Culture, and to express its satisfaction with the way in which CIECC has complied with the instructions of the General Assembly with respect to the presentation of reports.
AG/RES. 406 (IX-0/79)

ANNUAL SCHEDULE OF CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS IN THE AREA OF EDUCATION, SCIENCE, AND CULTURE

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,


RESOLVES:

To take note of the Annual Schedule of Conferences and Meetings in the Area of Education, Science, and Culture, and to approve it in the form indicated in document CIECC/doc.177/79.
AG/RES. 407 (IX-0/79)

AMENDMENTS TO THE STATUTES OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COUNCIL
FOR EDUCATION, SCIENCE, AND CULTURE

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session
held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN resolution CIECC-423/79 adopted by the Inter-American
Council for Education, Science, and Culture,

RESOLVES:

To amend Articles 22, 29, 33, 37, 39 and 40 of the Statutes of
the Inter-American Council for Education, Science, and Culture to read
as follows:

Article 22. At the regular annual meeting at the ministerial
level, the Council shall deal with the following matters:

d. Adoption of programs in the area of jurisdiction of
the Council that will serve the General Secretariat as
a basis for preparing the proposed program-budget of
the Organization for the next fiscal period;

e. Consideration of the observations and recommendations
made by CIECC in response to the General Secretariat's
consultation on that part of the proposed program-budget
prepared by the Secretariat that relates to programs
under the responsibility of CIECC. The recommendations
shall be incorporated by the General Secretariat into
the proposed program-budget, which shall be sent to the
Preparatory Committee of the General Assembly.

Article 29. The Council shall have a Permanent Executive
Committee composed of a principal representative of each member
state, elected by the Council itself, and such alternates as the
member states may designate.

The Committee shall have a Chairman and a Vice Chairman
elected by the Council from among its principal representatives
in accordance with the principle of rotation; they may not be re-
elected.
The Chairman, the Vice Chairman and the principal representatives shall serve for the term running from one regular CIECC meeting to the next, and their alternates for such term as their governments shall determine.

Each member state shall have the right to one vote.

Article 33. The Committee shall have the following functions:

a. To assist the Council in the promotion of educational, scientific and technological and cultural development, in accordance with the Charter of the Organization, and to strengthen inter-American cooperation for that purpose.

d. To respond to the General Secretariat's consultations on that part of the proposed program-budget prepared by the Secretariat in regard to programs under the responsibility of CIECC. When the Council is unable to meet, the conclusions of CIECC shall be incorporated by the General Secretariat into the proposed program-budget it must present to the Preparatory Committee.

Article 37. Each Inter-American Committee, consistent with the functions entrusted to the Permanent Executive Committee, shall:

a. Formulate its Regional Program from a technical point of view, on the basis of the projects presented for inclusion therein, taking into account their budgetary implications in order to propose the corresponding priorities;

b. Examine and evaluate the merits, importance and scope of each of the projects included in the program in question in order to submit its conclusions and recommendations to the Permanent Executive Committee;

d. Periodically review and evaluate the program guidelines and the effectiveness of the program execution, and make such recommendations as it deems advisable.

Article 39. Each Inter-American Committee shall be composed of five members, who shall be elected by the Council from among the candidates proposed by the member states.

In the nomination and election of each member, strict account must be taken of his high professional qualifications and prestige in the field of the committee in question. No committee may have more than one member of the same nationality.
Nominations, and the curricula vitae of the candidates should, to the extent possible, arrive in the General Secretariat at least 45 days prior to the election date, so that this information may be transmitted to the member states at least 30 days before the election.

Article 40. The members of the Committee shall hold office for the term covering three regular meetings of CIECC, and may not be elected for more than two consecutive terms of office.

The Committees shall be renewed partially by the election of two and three of its members on each alternate occasion.

When the post of a member of one of the Inter-American Committees becomes vacant before the end of his term, his elected replacement shall serve only for the remainder of the term of the member he replaces.
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN:

Resolution CIECC-426/79, adopted by the Inter-American Council for Education, Science, and Culture, and

Resolution AG/RES. 321 (V-E/77), Section III. 4.a. of which "to entrust CIES and CIECC with revising the Statutes of their respective voluntary funds, particularly with regard to the composition and use of their respective reserve subfunds, so that these revised Statutes may be approved by the General Assembly," and that the purpose of such revision is to ensure that the regulations of the reserve subfunds shall be in accordance with Article 89 of the General Standards, and

CONSIDERING:

That the Resolution of Maracay (CIC-I/68) was adopted prior to the adoption of the Protocol of Buenos Aires, and of the resolution adopting the General Standards to Govern the Operations of the General Secretariat (AG/RES. 123 (III-0/73);

That the Gabriela Mistral Resolution (CIECC-16/70), which created the Special Account for Culture, establishes that the latter forms part of FEMCIECC;

That the Resolution of Mar del Plata (CIECC-137/72 amended by General Assembly resolution AG/RES. 336 (VIII-0/78) also establishes that the resources of the Mar del Plata Account are special contributions that form part of FEMCIECC, and

That the aforementioned resolutions indicate that both FEMCIECC and its special Mar del Plata and Cultural accounts have clearly established in their Statutes all the elements set forth in Article 89 of the General Standards,
RESOLVES:

To recognize that the provisions of the Resolutions of Maracay (CIC-I/68), Gabriela Mistral (CIECC-16/70) and Mar del Plata (CIECC-137/72) amended by AG/RES. 336 (VIII-0/78)) already contain the elements set forth in Article 89 of the General Standards concerning a reserve sub-fund.
AG/RES. 409 (IX-0/79)

FOLLOW-UP ON THE IN-DEPTH EVALUATIONS OF SOME MULTINATIONAL PROJECTS

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN resolution AG/RES. 146 (IV-0/74) of the General Assembly and the request made by the Inter-American Council for Education, Science, and Culture through its resolution 428/79 adopted at its tenth regular meeting, and

CONSIDERING:

That the recommendations regarding the in-depth evaluations of the multinational projects on technical education and vocational training, physics, food technology and nutrition, and educational technology have been satisfactorily implemented, and

That there is a system for evaluating the regional programs, which was adopted by the Inter-American Council for Education, Science, and Culture in its resolution CIECC-369/79,

RESOLVES:

To accept that the mandate concerning the follow-up on the in-depth evaluations of the multinational projects on technical education and vocational training, physics, food technology and nutrition, and educational technology has been carried out.
WHEREAS:

One of the purposes of the Organization is to promote the cultural development of the hemisphere;

The guidelines for the Regional Cultural Development Program approved by CIECC at its ninth regular meeting emphasize the importance of the handicrafts of the countries of the region;

The Inter-American Charter on Handicrafts and Folk Arts, issued at the First Technical Meeting on Handicrafts and Folk Arts, recommended that an inter-American handicrafts year be declared, and

At its eighteenth meeting, the Inter-American Cultural Committee recommended that "an inter-American handicrafts year be declared,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

To declare 1982 to be "Inter-American Handicrafts Year".
AG/RES. 411 (IX-0/79)

SUCRE AND POTOSI:
MONUMENTS OF THE AMERICAS

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session
held on October 31, 1979)

WHEREAS:

The General Assembly of the Organization decided in resolution
AG/RES. 213 (VI-0/76) that it was urgently necessary to preserve the
historical and artistic heritage of the American nations;

The cities of Sucre and Potosí are prime examples of urban, archi-
tectural, and artistic development of the Hispanic period in the
Americas, and

Both cities hold a wealth of treasures that should be preserved
as testimony to the creativity and the identity of American man,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

RESOLVES:

To declare the cities of Sucre and Potosí to be monuments of the
Americas, and that as of this date, all documents of the Organization
that mention either city shall refer to them as Monument of the Americas.
WHEREAS:

The United Nations Conference on Science and Technology for Development was held in August 1979;

The Organization of American States participated in both the preparatory stage and in the conference itself;

The aforesaid conference proposed to the United Nations General Assembly a plan of action which, while it did not cover all of the issues raised by the developing countries, is a significant step toward establishing a new international order;

The member countries of the OAS should actively participate in the post-conference stage, and ensure that its results make an effective contribution to their development;

That during that stage, the OAS should provide its fullest cooperation and support to the member countries, and

At its tenth regular meeting, CIECC adopted resolution CIECC-449/79, which stresses the importance of ensuring coordination with the various international organizations engaged in scientific and technological activities in the region,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

1. To ask the General Secretariat, through the Regional Scientific and Technological Program (PRDCYT), to follow up on the activities suggested by the conference and approved by the United Nations General Assembly.

2. To keep the member countries informed of these activities so that they may consider them and coordinate them with the work being done under the Regional Scientific and Technological Development Program of the Organization of American States.
WHEREAS:

By resolution AG/RES. 213 (VI-0/76), the General Assembly of the Organization decided it was urgently necessary to preserve monuments and sites of historical and artistic value in the American nations by means of mutual economic and technical cooperation among the member states;

The III Inter-American Seminar on the Preservation of Monuments called on the member states and international organizations and agencies to give economic and technical assistance to the work of preserving urban area monuments which for various reasons are in serious need of care;

Likewise, the Inter-governmental Conference on Cultural Policies in Latin America and the Caribbean (Bogotá, 1978) recommended a study on the possibility of taking international action to protect and preserve the artistic and historical treasures of the city of Potosí, in view of the fact that many of its monuments are in grave danger of destruction due to the passage of time, and

Neither the studies, projects and initial efforts of the Bolivian Government in cooperation with UNDP-UNESCO, nor of the OAS are adequate to such an urgent undertaking;

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

To instruct the General Secretariat to study the appropriate steps to secure the financing needed to undertake the restoration of the architectural and artistic monuments of the city of Potosí, in accordance with the studies and projects made for that purpose.
AG/RES. 414 (IX-O/79)

AMENDMENT OF ARTICLE III.3 OF THE STATUTE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL OF THE ORGANIZATION

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

WHEREAS:

In its report to the General Assembly on its activities during 1978 (CP/doc.991/79), the Administrative Tribunal of the Organization states that the regulation contained in Article III.3 of its Statute, which forbids re-election of Tribunal members for the term immediately following completion of their terms, is inappropriate, since it imposes an unnecessary restriction on the member states as regards the persons they might wish to nominate for vacancies that occur in the Tribunal;

This restriction becomes apparent when it is borne in mind that, when a vacancy occurs, all the governments have a right to nominate candidates, including those whose nationals are completing their terms as members;

The experience and knowledge gained in the exercise of the post is one of the best attributes those who exercise the judicial function can have, which is why both domestic and international courts and tribunals frequently try to retain in their posts those judges who, in the discharge of their duties, show a depth of legal knowledge and discernment appropriate to the administration of justice, and

For the reasons stated, it is advisable to permit the re-election of the members of the Administrative Tribunal, and therefore to amend Article III.3 of the Statute of the Tribunal,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

To amend Article III.3 of the Statute of the Administrative Tribunal to read as follows:

3. The members of the Tribunal shall be elected in a personal capacity by the General Assembly to serve for a term of six years, and they may be re-elected once only. Their terms shall begin on January 1 of the year following that in which they are elected. Each member state may nominate one candidate.
CONVERSION OF THE PRESENT BUREAU OF LEGAL
AFFAIRS OF THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT INTO THE
SECRETARIAT FOR LEGAL AFFAIRS

(Resolution adopted by the eleventh plenary session
held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

CONSIDERING:

The provisions of Article 117 of the Charter;

That one of the major purposes of the Organization is to endeavor
to find solutions to political, juridical and economic problems that
arise among the member states, and

That pursuant to Article 52 (a) of the Charter, the General
Assembly has the responsibility of determining the structure and func­
tions of its organs,

RESOLVES:

To instruct the Permanent Council to study, in consultation with
the Secretary General, the desirability of establishing a Secretariat
for Legal Affairs to replace and succeed the present Bureau of Legal
Affairs and, if necessary, to authorize establishment of that Secre­
tariat, in accordance with Article 4 of the General Standards.
AG/RES. 416 (IX-O/79)

STUDIES ON ESTABLISHMENT OF AN
INTER-AMERICAN AGRARIAN REFORM INSTITUTE

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session
held on October 31, 1979)

WHEREAS:

Agrarian reform is a tool that is of basic importance in promoting the economic and social development of the developing countries in accordance with the particular interests, objectives and planning of each nation;

The World Conference on Agrarian Reform and Rural Development (Rome, July 1979) viewed with satisfaction the establishment of regional institutes concerned with this subject, and

The government of Bolivia reports that it has conducted basic studies on creating an inter-American agrarian reform institute, and is in a position to present them to the member states for consideration,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

To instruct the General Secretariat, in coordination with the Inter-American Institute of Agricultural Sciences to submit to the Permanent Council a study on the advisability of establishing an inter-American agrarian reform institute. The study shall be sent to the member states within fifteen days of its presentation to the Permanent Council.
AG/RES. 417 (IX-O/79)

SUPPORT FOR THE ACTIVITIES OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION OF WOMEN WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE DECADE OF WOMEN

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

CONSIDERING:

That at its sixth regular session, the General Assembly adopted resolution AG/RES. 220 (VI-O/76) "Decade of Women 1976-1985: Equality, Development and Peace," and

That the United Nations World Conference for the "Decade of Women: Equality, Development and Peace" will be held in Denmark in July 1980, to evaluate the results achieved during the first half of the Decade of Women, and to design a specific action program for the coming five years, with special emphasis on the areas of employment, health and education, and

HAVING SEEN the annual report of the Inter-American Commission of Women to the General Assembly (AG/doc.1094/79),

RESOLVES:

1. To reiterate to the organs and agencies of the Organization that there is an urgent need to carry out programs for the promotion of women in coordination with the CIM.

2. To instruct the Secretary General to provide the CIM with such facilities as it may require to prepare the report on the activities carried out during the first half of the Decade of Women.

3. To request the organs and agencies of the Organization to make an evaluation of the activities they have carried out under resolutions AG/RES. 220 (VI-O/76), AG/RES. 161 (IV-O/74), and AG/RES. 182 (V-O/75), and to send this evaluation to the CIM so that it may take it into account in preparing the report it must present to the World Conference in 1980.

4. To request the organs and agencies of the Organization to submit a report to the tenth regular session of the General Assembly on the steps they have taken to comply with this resolution.
AG/RES. 418 (IX-0/79)

REPORT ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INTER-AMERICAN CENTER FOR PREVENTION OF DRUG DEPENDENCE IN MINORS

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

WHEREAS:

Illegal use of drugs is one of the most serious problems that society must face in the world today, since it poses a constant threat to the normal and harmonious development of children and young people;

Various international agencies are joining efforts in the common battle against this social scourge, and

It is the duty of the Organization to deal with the problems of minors, whose increasing participation in the responsibilities of the development of the peoples of the region must be encouraged,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

1. To instruct the General Secretariat to present to the Permanent Council of the Organization a report considering the advisability of establishing an Inter-American Center for Prevention of Drug Dependence in Minors, and looking at its objectives, means of financing and plan of action for putting it into operation.

2. To instruct the General Secretariat to request studies on the matter from the Inter-American Council for Education, Science and Culture, the Inter-American Economic and Social Council, the Inter-American Children's Institute and the Pan American Health Organization, and also to take into account those being done by the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF).
AG/RES. 419 (IX-O/79)

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the report of the Administrative Tribunal on its activities during 1978 (AG/doc.1084/79),

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the annual report of the Administrative Tribunal, and to have the record show that determining the general salary policy is the responsibility of the General Assembly under Article 52 (e) and (g) of the Charter, and that, pursuant to Article 119 of the Charter, it is the duty of the Secretary General to issue the applicable rules and regulations.

2. To authorize the Secretary General to consider with the Staff Association formulas that would provide a solution to the pending salary problems that would have no direct impact on the budget, and to inform the Permanent Council of this matter.
AG/RES. 420 (IX-0/79)

AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 103 OF THE GENERAL STANDARDS TO GOVERN THE OPERATIONS OF THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT

(Resolution adopted by the eleventh plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

WHEREAS:

The "Audit of Accounts and Financial Statements for the Year ended December 31, 1978" presented by the Board of External Auditors (AG/doc. 1096/79) recommends that it would be necessary to amend Article 103 (c) of the General Standards to avoid any mistaken interpretation, and

Resolution AG/RES. 123 (III-0/73), "General Standards to Govern the Operations of the General Secretariat", instructed the Permanent Council to report to the General Assembly on the implementation of the General Standards and to propose any amendment it deemed necessary, in the light of the experience gained in applying them and in accordance with Article 91.b of the Charter,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLVES:

To instruct the Permanent Council that in order to avoid any misinterpretation of Article 103 (c) of the General Standards to Govern the Operations of the General Secretariat, it study and propose to the tenth regular session of the General Assembly any amendment it may deem necessary.
AG/RES. 421 (IX-0/79)

GOVERNMENT SUPPORT FOR THE ACTIVITIES OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION OF WOMEN WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE DECADE OF WOMEN

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

WHEREAS:

At its sixth regular session, the General Assembly approved and proclaimed the "Decade of Women 1976-1985: Equality, Development and Peace" through resolution AG/RES. 220 (VI-0/76);

The General Assembly adopted resolution AG/RES. 227 (VII-0/77) whereby, in operative paragraph 2, it urged the member states to take the necessary steps to put the Regional Plan of Action for the Decade of Women into practice on a priority basis;

In its resolution AG/RES. 326 (VIII-0/78), the General Assembly resolved to urge the governments to include the main areas of emphasis of the Regional Plan of Action in their development plans, and

The Plan can only be implemented and fulfilled satisfactorily through action by the governments of the member states,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

1. To call on the governments to encourage and facilitate the participation of women in development projects, especially those of a production nature that are to be carried out by groups in underprivileged rural areas and urban shanty towns,

2. To request the governments to encourage their national planning agencies to incorporate the objectives of the CIM Regional Plan of Action into their programs and projects.
AG/RES. 422 (IX-0/79)

FIVE-YEAR INTER-AMERICAN INDIAN ACTION PLAN

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the Five-Year Inter-American Indian Action Plan (AG/doc.1102/79) presented by the Inter-American Indian Institute in compliance with resolutions AG/RES. 270 (VII-0/77) and AG/RES. 330 (VIII-0/78), and

CONSIDERING:

That the motivation for resolution AG/RES. 270 (VII-0/77) was based on the need to adopt a hemisphere-wide policy under which planned and coordinated efforts might be made to further the involvement of Indian populations in the integral development process, and

The approval of the Five-Year Plan by the Permanent Council of the Organization (CP/RES. 289 (403/79) and the Governing Board of the Institute,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve the Five-Year Inter-American Indian Action Plan presented by the Inter-American Indian Institute.

2. To recommend to the governments of the member states the adoption, as an urgent necessity, of measures for the prompt and efficient implementation of the Five-Year Plan.

3. Also to recommend to the governments of the member states that they send the Institute annual progress reports on implementation of the Plan to benefit the Indian groups in each country.

4. To instruct the Director of the Institute to present to the General Assembly a summary of the progress made under the Five-Year Plan throughout the hemisphere, based on the reports received.

5. To suggest to the appropriate international organizations and to the specialized agencies of the inter-American system the need for them to cooperate with the Institute in the implementation of projects and programs under the plan and to coordinate all actions relating to it.

6. To direct the General Secretariat to continue to give the Institute such cooperation as might be needed, within the limits of its powers.
AG/RES. 423 (IX-0/79)

COORDINATION AMONG INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES IN SUPPORT OF ACTIVITIES UNDER THE FIVE-YEAR INTER-AMERICAN INDIAN ACTION PLAN

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

WHEREAS:

The ninth regular session of the General Assembly has approved the Five-Year Inter-American Indian Action Plan drawn up by the Inter-American Indian Institute, which stresses the need for coordinated, planned and persistent action by the governments of the member states of the Institute, and

The action plans of international organizations such as the United Nations, UNDP, IICA, FAO, ILO, PAHO, UNESCO, UNICEF and others include programs that relate directly or indirectly to the specific projects that make up the Five-Year Inter-American Indian Action Plan, and it thus becomes necessary for action to be coordinated so as to avoid unnecessary duplication,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

1. To instruct the General Secretariat to call a meeting of international organizations such as the United Nations, UNDP, IICA, FAO, ILO, PAHO, UNESCO, UNICEF and others as soon as possible, so that they may consider the possibility of contributing to implementation of the Five-Year Inter-American Indian Action Plan.

2. That the Inter-American Indian Institute shall draw up the agenda and basic points to be considered at the abovementioned meeting, particularly those relating to proper coordination, planning and execution of the projects with the cooperation of the aforementioned international agencies.
AG/RES. 424 (IX-0/79)

ESTABLISHMENT OF A MULTILATERAL FUND TO SUPPORT THE FIVE-YEAR INTER-AMERICAN INDIAN ACTION PLAN

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the Five-Year Inter-American Indian Action Plan (AG/doc.1102/79) presented by the Inter-American Indian Institute in observance of resolutions AG/RES. 270 (VII-0/77), and AG/RES. 330 (VIII-0/78), and

CONSIDERING:

That the motivation for resolution AG/RES. 270 (VII-0/77) was the need to adopt a hemisphere-wide policy under which planned and coordinated efforts might be made to further the involvement of Indian populations in the integral development process, and

That the cost of implementing the projects making up the Five-Year Inter-American Indian Action Plan for the 1980-1984 period, which amounts to US$5,424,000, will be met by voluntary contributions,

RESOLVES:

To recommend to the Inter-American Indian Institute that it establish, above and beyond the ordinary resources of the Institute, a Multilateral Fund to support the Five-Year Inter-American Indian Action Plan, made up of voluntary contributions from the governments of the members states and supplemented by those the Institute may obtain from public and private organizations, as well as from governments outside the hemisphere interested in cooperating in the integration and participation of Indian groups of the hemisphere in the integral development process.
AG/RES. 425 (IX-0/79)

BASES OF FINANCING OF THE PROGRAM-BUDGET OF THE ORGANIZATION
[AG/RES. 375 (VI-E/78)]

(Resolution adopted at the eleventh plenary session
held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the report of the Working Group of the General Committee
of the Permanent Council to study the bases of financing (AG/doc.1123/79), and

CONSIDERING:

That through resolution AG/RES. 375 (VI-E/78), the General Assembly
extended the time limit given to the Permanent Council for presenting its
report on the bases of financing of the program-budget of the Organization
until the ninth regular session, and

That through resolution AG/RES. 363 (VIII-0/78), the General Assembly
instructed the Permanent Council to propose a financing formula specifically
adapted to the OAS, in accordance with the provisions of the Charter,

RESOLVES:

1. In accordance with resolution AG/RES. 119 (III-0/73), to instruct
the Permanent Council to give top priority to establishing a new formula
for allocating quotas for the financing of the Regular Fund of the program-
budget of the Organization so this new formula may enter into force in
1981.

2. In implementing this directive, the Permanent Council shall take
into account the report of its General Committee (AG/doc.1123/79). At
the same time, it shall prepare a plan of work that will enable it to
perform this task on an ongoing basis so as to ensure prompt resolution
of the matter.

3. To maintain the percentage scale of quotas as approved by the
fifth special session (AG/RES. 321 (V-E/77) until the General Assembly
reaches a decision on the matter.

4. To give instructions to the General Secretariat to utilize the
Working Capital Subfund to finance 2 percent of the amount of the 1980
program-budget that is subject to quotas, and to reduce the quotas of
all of the member states, on a prorated basis, by the corresponding 2
percent.
5. The action taken to comply with paragraph 3 shall not set a precedent for the future financing of the program-budget of the Organization.

6. To recommend to the member states that they might strengthen their missions and delegations to the Permanent Council accordingly in order to give proper attention to this important and pressing matter, if they consider it advisable.
AG/RES. 426 (IX-O/79)
ACCESS BY BOLIVIA TO THE PACIFIC OCEAN

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

In a spirit of fraternity, and with a view to the integration of the Americas,

DECLARERS:

That it is of continuing hemispheric interest that an equitable solution be found whereby Bolivia will obtain appropriate sovereign access to the Pacific Ocean, and

CONSIDERING:

That it is necessary to achieve the foregoing objective and to consolidate a stable peace that will promote the economic and social progress of the area of the Americas directly affected by the consequences of the landlocked status of Bolivia, and

RESOLVES:

1. To recommend to the states most directly concerned with this problem that they open negotiations for the purpose of providing Bolivia with a free and sovereign territorial connection with the Pacific Ocean. These negotiations shall take into account the rights and interests of the parties involved, and might consider, among other things, the inclusion of a port area for integrated multinational development, as well as the Bolivian proposal that no territorial compensation be included.

AG/RES. 427 (IX-0/79)

CALL FOR ACCESSION TO THE PROTOCOL TO THE TREATY CONCERNING THE PERMANENT NEUTRALITY AND OPERATION OF THE PANAMA CANAL

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

WHEREAS:

The Panama Canal Treaty and the Treaty Concerning the Permanent Neutrality and Operation of the Panama Canal entered into force between the United States and Panama on October 1, 1979;

The eighth regular session of the General Assembly authorized the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States to serve as depository for the Treaty Concerning the Permanent Neutrality and Operation of the Panama Canal and its accompanying Protocol;

The governments of the United States and Panama have each deposited their original copies of these instruments with the General Secretariat;

The entry into force of the Treaty Concerning the Permanent Neutrality and Operation of the Panama Canal has the effect of opening the Protocol for accession, and

The Protocol, which by its terms shall be open to accession by all states of the world, has as its purpose the establishment of an international regime to ensure that at all times the Canal will remain secure, open, and neutral for the peaceful transit of ships of all nations of the world, on terms of complete equality and without discrimination,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLVES:

1. To express its satisfaction over the entry into force of the Panama Canal Treaty and the Treaty Concerning the Permanent Neutrality and Operation of the Panama Canal.

2. To urge members of the Organization and other nations of the world to accede to the Protocol to the Neutrality Treaty, in accordance with their respective constitutional provisions.

3. To ask the General Secretariat to forward to the United Nations a copy of this resolution, along with certified copies of the Treaty Concerning the Permanent Neutrality and Operation of the Panama Canal and its Protocol, and any additional information which may facilitate accession by interested states.
AG/RES. 428 (IX-0/79)

PERMANENT OBSERVERS

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

WHEREAS:

The continuing growth in the number of countries that have formalized their ties as Permanent Observers is a matter of great satisfaction to the Organization of American States,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

1. To extend a most cordial welcome to Greece as a new Observer country to the Organization of American States, and again to express its appreciation to the rest of the Observer countries for the interest they have shown in the Organization.

2. To express its satisfaction that this interest has been demonstrated, among other ways, by an increase in cooperation for the economic, social, educational, scientific, and cultural development of the member states.

3. To express its satisfaction that, after the meeting of the General Secretariat with the European technical cooperation agencies held in Madrid at the invitation of the Spanish Government, cooperation by those agencies has been directed toward participation in expanded regional and subregional projects.

4. To express its confidence that the Observer countries and other non-member states will continue to increase their support to the countries of the region in their continuing efforts to achieve comprehensive development.

5. To recommend to the General Secretariat that it increase its efforts to obtain new sources of cooperation and that, with the prior approval of the Permanent Council, it strengthen the departments of the General Secretariat responsible for securing additional resources from external sources.
DECLARATION OF LA PAZ

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

The General Assembly of the Organization of American States, at its ninth regular session held in La Paz, Bolivia,

Taking up the important ideas raised at this meeting, and the urgent hope of the peoples of the hemisphere that integral development can be achieved, democratic systems consolidated and inter-American solidarity strengthened,

1. Reaffirms its conviction that observance of the principles and objectives embodied in the Charter of the Organization of American States and a determination to restructure the inter-American system so that it can become a dynamic and creative structure will help achieve peace, justice and broad inter-American cooperation for integral development.

2. Reiterates that the principle of nonintervention is basic to inter-American relations and that these relations are strengthened by ideological pluralism.

3. Also reaffirms the principle of peaceful settlement of international disputes, of fundamental importance for harmonious co-existence, understanding and cooperation, urge the member states to settle their disputes by peaceful means, and offers them its most determined support in these efforts.

4. Expresses its satisfaction with the progress the nations of this hemisphere have made in achieving independence, and reaffirms its determination to aid in the continuing process of decolonization of the region so as not to defer the exercise of the legitimate right of peoples to forge their own destiny.

5. Stresses the importance for the member states to re-establish or improve democratic systems of government in which the exercise of power derives from the legitimate and free expression of the popular will in accordance with the unique characteristics and circumstances of each country.

6. Reiterates that full respect for human rights is basic to co-existence with dignity and freedom for all the peoples of the Americas, and in this connection, acknowledges and encourages the important work being done by the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights.
Expresses its condemnation of the practices of torture and terrorism.

7. Stresses the need to devote maximum efforts to broadening and strengthening détente throughout the world, thus preventing the tensions among the great powers from extending into Latin America and the Caribbean.

8. Declares its profound concern over the lack of progress in disarmament efforts, particularly nuclear disarmament, among the military powers of the world. Reiterates its conviction that universal reduction of arms expenditures will lessen the danger of war and might also allow for an increase in allocations of resources to the financing of economic and social progress in the developing countries.

9. Declares that member states should continue their efforts to democratize international relations through real and effective participation by all the developing countries in decision-making, particularly as regards matters that interest or might affect them.

10. Emphasizes that strengthening the democratic system requires dynamic and stable economies, and therefore, it is essential that member states eliminate all forms, measures or provisions—economic or of any other character—that restrict market access of products, particularly those from developing countries, or that destabilize the prices of raw materials. Also affirms that it is essential that member states refrain from taking new restrictive measures that could harm the developing countries and aggravate the serious economic and social problems they face. Notes further the need to improve the operations of the consultation and negotiation mechanisms of the Organization and to observe the provisions upon which these mechanisms are based, so as to establish a productive dialogue among the member states.

11. Emphasizes that it is important for the member states to promote economic and social development projects in Latin America and the Caribbean that are aimed at making comprehensive structural changes and that, by stimulating a democratization founded on sound, broad-based institutions that have the full participation of the people, could enable a machinery for development cooperation to operate. In this connection, notes with interest the initiative announced by the member countries of the Andean Group towards establishment of a Fund for Peace for this purpose.

12. Emphasizes the need for the member states to pledge their best efforts to alleviate and overcome the grave difficulties that some countries of the region face because of geographic characteristics or lack of basic resources, in achieving full economic and social development.

13. Emphasizes that the appropriate organs of the Organization of American States can contribute to the exchange of views and, if so agreed
in particular cases, can facilitate coordination that might contribute
to positive accomplishments in other international forums where the economic
problems affecting the region are discussed.

14. Considers that better coordination among the various organs
of the OAS and improved methods of operation are urgently required, in
order to avoid duplication of effort and unnecessary expenditures, as
well as to make proper use of their expertise.

15. Reaffirms that regional and subregional integration and coopera­
tion among all Latin American and Caribbean countries are the most effective
means of achieving accelerated harmonious and balanced development and of
strengthening their capacity for joint action toward establishing a new
international economic order.

Therefore pledges its support for the efforts in this connection
being carried out by the systems for cooperation and integration of the
area, and

DECIDES:

In recognition of the hospitality extended by the people and govern­
ment of Bolivia, to name this document "Declaration of La Paz."
WHEREAS:

Article 44 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Assembly stipulates that there shall be a regular session each year, preferably during the fourth quarter, and that at each of these sessions, following a report by its General Committee, the General Assembly shall determine the opening date of its next session;

Article 45 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Assembly provides that at each regular session, following a report by the General Committee and taking into account the offers made by the member states, the General Assembly shall determine the place of the next regular session, in accordance with the principle of rotation;

No offers have been made to host the tenth regular session, and

Operative paragraph 3 of resolution AG/RES. 45 (I-0/71) provides that if no offer is made, the next regular session shall be held at the headquarters of the General Secretariat. Nevertheless, should any of the member states make an offer of a site in its territory not less than six months before the date on which the session is to begin, the Permanent Council may decide, not more than six and not less than five months in advance of that date, that the Assembly shall meet at one of the places so offered,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

1. To determine that the tenth regular session of the General Assembly shall be held at the headquarters of the General Secretariat, unless the provisions of operative paragraph 3 of resolution AG/RES. 45 (I-0/71) apply.

2. To authorize the Permanent Council to set the date for the tenth regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with Article 44 of its Rules of Procedure.
AG/RES. 432 (IX-0/79)

RELATIONS BETWEEN THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT OF THE OAS AND
THE PAN AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session
held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN:

Resolution AG/RES. 304 (VII-0/77) "Relations between the General
Secretariat of the OAS and the Pan American Development Foundation,"
which authorized the Permanent Council to prepare and put into effect
a new additional agreement with the Pan American Development Foundation,
subject to approval by the Assembly at its next regular session, and

Resolution AG/RES. 362 (VIII-0/78), which extended for one year the
period for preparing the abovementioned instrument, and

CONSIDERING:

That since the topic needed to be studied from both the legal and
the budgetary standpoints, it was not possible to complete consideration
of it in time for a new additional agreement to be submitted as instructed
in resolution AG/RES. 362 (VIII-0/78),

RESOLVES:

1. To extend to the tenth regular session the mandate given to the
Permanent Council in resolution AG/RES. 304 (VII-0/77). At the same time,
to expand the mandate so that the Permanent Council may put into effect
a new agreement between the Pan American Development Foundation and the
General Secretariat of the OAS, subject to the approval of the General
Assembly.

2. To put into effect the new administrative relations between the
General Secretariat of the OAS and the Pan American Development Founda-
tion already studied by the Committee on Program and Budget, as set forth in
document CP/CPP-146/16/79 rev. 2.
AG/RES. 432 (IX-O/79)

PLAN FOR REORGANIZING THE NATIONAL OFFICES OF THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT IN THE MEMBER STATES

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

WHEREAS:

A proper reorganization of the functions, staff, and premises of the national offices would enable them to meet requests for cooperation from the member states more smoothly and efficiently, thereby considerably reducing the operating costs of the Organization;

An improvement in the operational capacity of the offices would make the cooperative programs the OAS carries out in the member states more dynamic and effective;

The General Assembly instructed the General Secretariat by resolution AG/RES. 321 (V-E/77) to prepare a study on its national offices in the member states, (CP/doc.878/78), and

Resolution AG/RES. 380 (VI-E/78) instructed the Permanent Council to study the reorganization of the national offices of the General Secretariat in the member states,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

1. To extend the mandate given to the Permanent Council in resolution AG/RES. 380 (VI-E/78) by one more year so that, in consultation with CIES, CIECC and the Secretary General, it may prepare a proposal on the reorganization of the national offices, the main purpose of which will be to coordinate the country projects and lend support to them and to all the direct services the Organization provides to the member states.

2. To request the Permanent Council to take into account in preparing this proposal a policy of decentralization from headquarters to the member states, and to pay special attention to reducing administrative costs for the purpose of aiding cooperation programs. In addition, the activities of the national offices and the inter-American centers of the OAS should be coordinated as much as possible.

3. To request the Permanent Council to present its proposal on the reorganization of the national offices to the tenth regular session so that it may be implemented in 1981.
AG/RES. 433 (IX-O/79)

CONSTRUCTION OF A BUILDING FOR THE
OAS OFFICE IN MONTEVIDEO

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session
held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

HAVING SEEN:

Permanent Council resolution CP/RES. 293 (406/79) authorizing the
Secretary General to accept the donation of a plot of land offered by
the Municipality of Montevideo, Uruguay, for the purpose of construct­
ing a building to house the offices of the OAS and of other inter­
American organizations operating in Uruguay, and

The report of the Committee on Juridical and Political Matters,
CP/doc.1001/79, which states that:

"a. It would be to the Organization's benefit to accept the land
being offered by the Municipality of Montevideo, since it
affords the possibility of constructing a building at the
Simón Bolívar Civic Center in that city to house its own of­
ices and those of other inter-American organizations operat­
ing in Uruguay", and

"d. The Working Group sees no legal objection to suggesting to
the Permanent Council that it authorize the Secretary General
to accept the donation of land offered by the Municipality
of Montevideo on behalf of the Organization", and

CONSIDERING:

That if the General Secretariat finances the construction through
the interest-free use of the resources of the Working Capital Subfund
of the Regular Fund, there would be a net saving for the Organization
of over $6,000 in the first year, which would increase progressively in
each subsequent year,

RESOLVES:

1. To thank the Government of Uruguay for the generous donation
of a plot of land by the Municipality of Montevideo and accepted by the
Permanent Council of the Organization, and to encourage the other member
states to do the same.
2. To authorize the Permanent Council to approve all the financial aspects of any construction contract before it is negotiated, and to make any adjustments thereto, if necessary, on the basis of information presented to it by the General Secretariat.
AG/RES. 434 (IX-O/79)

TRIMMING OF THE REGULAR FUND

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

CONSIDERING:

That Article 85 (a) of the General Standards to Govern the Operations of the General Secretariat (AG/RES. 123 (III-O/73)) provides that the Regular Fund shall finance "the regular secretariat and the general support services provided by the Secretariat, as well as technical supervision and administrative support to the programs";

That Article 85 (b) of the General Standards specifies that the special multilateral funds are "to finance the programs adopted by the Councils and approved by the General Assembly";

That, at present, the Regular Fund is financing non-personnel expenditures for direct services to the member states in the amount of approximately US$7 million;

That at its eighth regular session, in resolution AG/RES. 356 (VIII-O/78), the General Assembly instructed the Preparatory Committee to take the necessary steps to trim the Regular Fund, and instructed the General Secretariat to present a study on this matter, and

BEARING IN MIND:

That the General Secretariat has not yet presented the basic study ordered by resolution AG/RES. 356 (VIII-O/78) on how this trimming might be effected and the timetable for its implementation,

RESOLVES:

1. To extend for one year the mandate given to the Preparatory Committee in resolution AG/RES. 356 (VIII-O/78).

2. To instruct the General Secretariat to complete in 1980 the basic study on the measures needed to trim the Regular Fund and on how this trimming is likely to affect the provision of direct services to the member states.
3. To request the Preparatory Committee to present the final report on the trimming on the Regular Fund to which this resolution refers, bearing in mind the views of the Permanent Council, CIES, and CIECC and the observations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Affairs (CAAAP) on the study presented by the General Secretariat.

4. To request the Preparatory Committee, in examining the study to be prepared by the General Secretariat, to take into account, among other things, the opinions expressed by a number of delegations on this topic appearing in the report of the rapporteur of the Fourth Committee.
AG/RES. 435 (IX-O/79)

STUDY ON THE NATURE AND FUNCTIONS OF THE CAREER SERVICE OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN:

Permanent Council resolution CP/RES. 292 (406/79) informing the ninth regular session of the General Assembly that it had not had time to study with proper care the documents on the career service prepared pursuant to resolutions AG/RES. 257 (VI-O/76) and AG/RES. 361 (VIII-O/78), and

Article 126 of the Charter of the Organization of American States,

RESOLVES:

1. To extend the mandate given to the Permanent Council in resolution AG/RES. 377 (VI-E/78) until the tenth regular session, and to reaffirm the need to give the topic priority attention.

2. To instruct the Secretary General not to make any permanent appointments as of January 1980 until the new career service goes into effect.

This restriction shall not apply to those members of the staff having permanent appointments, who may be promoted to vacant posts, in which case the principles established in Articles 17 (a) and 38 of the General Standards and in the pertinent Staff Rules in force shall apply.

3. To reaffirm the need for the study to be completed in 1980 and to go into effect in 1981, with prior authorization from the General Assembly.
AG/RES. 436 (IX-O/79)

SALARY POLICY FOR THE STAFF OF THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the report of the Permanent Council on the salary policy for the staff of the General Secretariat of the Organization (AG/doc.1113/79), and

CONSIDERING:

That the General Assembly, at its sixth special session, gave a mandate to the Permanent Council through resolution AG/RES. 383 (VI-E/78) "Salary Policy for the Staff of the General Secretariat of the Organization";

That in this same resolution, the General Assembly declared that acceptance, in principle, of parity with the United Nations in remunerations and working-conditions as an objective of the General Secretariat does not correspond to the financial reality of the Organization and should not be taken into account;

That in the mandate given to the Permanent Council to prepare a new salary policy for the General Secretariat, the General Assembly stated that the basis should be the audit of posts referred to in paragraph III.3.a of resolution AG/RES. 384 (VI-E/78);

That in preparing the new salary policy for the General Secretariat, a careful study must be made of the audit of the posts mentioned in paragraph III.3.a of resolution AG/RES. 384 (VI-E/78), which was not received early enough for study;

That owing to the complex nature of the factors involved in the formulation of a new salary policy, the Permanent Council needs sufficient time to comply with the mandate of the General Assembly, and

That there is urgent need to establish in the OAS, by 1981 at the latest, a salary policy that takes into account the needs of the staff and is in keeping with the financial capacity of the Organization,
RESOLVES:

To extend the mandate given to the Permanent Council in resolution AG/RES. 383 (VI-E/78) for one more year only, and to reaffirm the need for the topic to receive priority attention so that the study on a new salary policy may be completed in 1980 and the policy applied to the General Secretariat in 1981 without further delay. If possible, the Permanent Council will implement the new salary policy effective July 1, 1980, subject to the approval of the tenth regular session of the General Assembly.
WHEREAS:

Inter-American cooperation has not yet satisfactorily attained the goal of effectively promoting the welfare of the Latin American peoples;

The problems of the seventies and those anticipated in the eighties raise critical issues which, if not effectively dealt with by the governments of the hemisphere, whether individually or collectively, could distort or even hamper economic growth and social progress; and the OAS urgently needs a sound, clear and coherent policy of integral development that can be effectively implemented;

The General Assembly adopted resolution AG/RES. 232 (VI-O/76), whereby it convoked a special session of the General Assembly on Cooperation for Development to Review all Matters concerning the Topic on Inter-American Cooperation for Development, and to adopt cooperation programs and mechanisms to find practical solutions to the hemisphere's top priority problems;

The General Assembly subsequently adopted four resolutions, AG/RES. 233 (VI-O/76), AG/RES. 255 (VI-O/76), AG/RES. 281 (VII-O/77) and AG/RES. 354 (VIII-O/78), on the convocation of a special session of the General Assembly, and

The document "Status of the preparation of the special session of the General Assembly to review all matters concerning the topic of inter-American cooperation for development" (AG/doc.1257/79) states that preparatory activities are sufficiently advanced to permit the special session of the General Assembly to be held in 1981,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

1. That the special session of the General Assembly to review matters concerning the topic of inter-American cooperation for development shall be held in 1981.

2. That, subject to the decision of the Permanent Council, the joint CEPCIES/CEPCIECC Working Group shall continue to make preparations for the special session of the General Assembly.
3. That the joint CEPCIES/CEPCIECC Working Group shall submit all matters relating to the preparation of the special session of the General Assembly for the consideration of CEPCIES, CEPCIECC and the Permanent Council, which shall have final responsibility for preparing a draft agenda and proposed action program for inter-American cooperation for development.

4. That the General Secretariat shall continue to support the preparatory activities for the special session of the General Assembly, and that the amounts of $146,832 and $290,660 shall be appropriated in 1980 and 1981, respectively, according to the budget calculations contained in document AG/doc.1125/79, for preparing and holding the special session of the General Assembly on Cooperation for Development in 1981.

5. That the Permanent Council shall review the proposed budget and set the exact date for the special session of the General Assembly as soon as the draft agenda is prepared.

6. That the appropriations approved under operative paragraph 4 shall be included in Chapter I of the program-budget of the Organization, and shall be used exclusively for the purposes stated.
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN resolutions CIECC-430/79 and CERCECC 69-XIX/79, and

CONSIDERING:

That in cases in which the General Assembly authorizes the appropriations of the Voluntary Funds to be financed partially out of the respective Reserve Subfunds, the 15% contribution to the Regular Fund is doubled,

RESOLVES:

To approve the addition of the following paragraph to Article 87 of the General Standards: "When appropriations partially financed by de-obligations of funds of previous years from Reserve Subfunds are approved, such appropriations shall not be subject to the 15% contribution."
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN:

The final report of the Inter-American Seminar for Journalists held in Bridgetown, Barbados on September 4-5, 1979;

Resolution CIECC-387/78, which calls for holding a meeting of this type prior to each regular meeting of CIECC;

Resolution CIECC-435/79, and

CONSIDERING:

That the regional integration process in the hemisphere in the area of education, science, and culture requires the active, well-informed participation of the mass media,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note with satisfaction of the final report of the Inter-American Seminar for Journalists, and particularly of its recommendations on education, science, and culture.

2. To reaffirm resolution CIECC-387/78, and to take note of the appeal by the participants in the Inter-American Seminar for Journalists that better use be made of the structure and facilities of the Organization to increase the exchange of information between Latin America and the Caribbean, since this exchange is an important component of the process of hemispheric integration.

3. To recommend to the General Secretariat that it consider the possibility of providing funds to carry out a study on methods to increase the flow of information between the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean; such funding, kept at the lowest feasible level, could come from the budget of the Department of Public Information and other sources.

4. To thank the General Secretariat for its work in organizing and carrying out the Inter-American Seminar for Journalists.
AG/RES. 440 (IX-0/79)

EASED TERMS TO THE GOVERNMENT OF NICARAGUA FOR PAYMENT OF ITS QUOTAS AND PLEDGES

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

CONSIDERING:

That the prolonged political crisis in Nicaragua, which culminated in a triumphant, nationwide uprising of the people following a long period of warfare, has aggravated the already precarious economic situation of this country and has noticeably impaired the living conditions of the Nicaraguan people;

That Nicaragua's current serious economic crisis is of alarming proportions since, even before the country could recover from the devastating effects of the earthquake of December 1972, it was caught up in the recent widespread political crisis that resulted in irreparable loss of human life and total paralysis of productive activity, as well as in heavy material damage and flight of capital;

That, in addition to the sharp drop in the gross national product and per capita income in 1978 and 1979, one of the most significant aspects of Nicaragua's economic crisis is the country's total lack of foreign reserves;

That Nicaragua is burdened by a debt of overdue quotas and pledges that the overthrown Somoza regime had failed to pay not only to the Regular Fund, but also to the voluntary funds, the specialized organizations and other entities of the inter-American system;

That the quota to be paid by the Government of National Reconstruction of Nicaragua for the 1980-1981 period into the program-budget of the Organization amounts to $86,221 for 1980; 1 /

That the Government of National Reconstruction of Nicaragua is unable to make good its pledge to the voluntary funds of the Organization, and

1. The amount for 1981 will be set at the time the program-budget for that year is reviewed.
BEARING IN MIND:

That the international community has expressed its solidarity with the people and government of Nicaragua in their efforts to end the emergency situation by rebuilding and transforming the country through massive international aid, consisting of both financing and goods and services, and to alleviate its external obligations,

RESOLVES:

1. As an expression of cooperation and solidarity with the people of Nicaragua at a time when they are suffering a serious economic crisis, and as an exception, to give the government of Nicaragua the time it needs to enable the country to make future payments of:

   a) its outstanding debt in overdue quotas and pledges to the program-budget of the Organization, and

   b) its quotas and pledges to the program-budget of the Organization for the 1980-1981 biennium.

2. To instruct the Permanent Council, in coordination with the General Secretariat and in consultation with the government of Nicaragua, to study this situation in order to determine how and when that government may be expected to have the ability to pay or settle its debt in quotas and pledges.

3. To recommend to the inter-American specialized organizations whose budgets are not included in the program-budget of the Organization that they grant Nicaragua the time it needs to make future payment of its overdue quotas and those for the 1980-1981 biennium.
AG/RES. 141 (IX-0/79)

PROGRAM-BUDGET OF THE ORGANIZATION IN THE CIES AREA
FOR THE 1980-81 BIENNION

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held
on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN:

The report of CEP/CIES to the Preparatory Committee of the General
Assembly on the proposed program-budget of the Organization in the CIES
area for the 1980-81 biennium (AG/doc.1128/79), and

The report of the Preparatory Committee of the General Assembly on
the 1980-81 program-budget and 1980 quotas (AG/doc.1121/79), and

CONSIDERING:

That at its fourteenth regular annual meeting at the ministerial
level, CIES adopted resolutions CIES/RES. 160 (XIV-0/79) on "Continua-
tion of the operation of CICAP in 1980," and CIES/RES. 161 (XIV-0/79)
giving priority to the Tourism Development Program in the Americas, and

That, because of the budgetary limitations for 1980, it is not pos-
sible to raise the overall level of appropriations in the CIES area,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve the report of CEP/CIES with the following amendments:

a. To restore to the Inter-American Center for Training in Public
Administration (CICAP) the sums of US$7,300 in the Regular Fund
and of US$20,700 in the SDAF to enable it to operate in 1980.

b. To restore to the Inter-American Telecommunications Conference
the sum of US$24,200 in the Regular Fund to hold the meeting
of its Permanent Technical Committee.

2. To instruct CEP/CIES to make the adjustments recommended in the
report of CEP/CIES in order to comply with paragraph 1 above, on the
basis of a proposal of the General Secretariat, without affecting the
Tourism Development Program and without altering the overall limits of
the Regular Fund and the SDAF.
3. To set December 10, 1979 as the date by which the adjustments mentioned in paragraph 2 must be completed, so as to permit execution of the budget on schedule as of January 1, 1980.
AG/RES. 442 (IX-0/79)

FEASIBILITY OF SIMPLIFYING THE PROCESS FOR THE REVISION, DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED PROGRAM-BUDGET OF THE ORGANIZATION

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN resolutions AG/RES. 357 (VIII-0/78), AG/RES. 374 (VI-E/78) and CIECC-433/79, and

CONSIDERING:

That, pursuant to resolution AG/RES. 327 (VIII-0/78), the General Assembly amended Article 44 of its Rules of Procedure to provide for one regular session each year, preferable during the fourth quarter;

That, as a consequence of this change, the entire budgetary cycle of the three Councils and their subsidiary organs was altered;

That the process of preparation, review, analysis and presentation of the budgets of the three Councils and subsidiary organs in 1980-81 was greatly complicated by the adjustment to the new combined fiscal-calendar year;

That the Organization should adopt a new budgetary calendar cycle that would make for efficient processing of the budget of each Council and each subsidiary organ so that they may be consolidated in time for consideration by the General Assembly;

That the Preparatory Committee should establish indicative budgetary levels for each biennium of the program-budget for the three Councils to enable them to make programming projections with the corresponding budgetary proposals, so as to facilitate budgetary cycle review by that Committee, and

That the foregoing considerations represent the views of the Preparatory Committee on the result of the first year of application of the new fiscal-calendar year,

RESOLVES:

1. To instruct the Preparatory Committee to establish, between the months of January and March, the maximum overall levels for each fund for which the General Secretariat must prepare the pertinent proposal, before the beginning of the process of formulating and preparing the program-budget of the Organization for the next biennium.
2. To instruct the Preparatory Committee to establish and put into effect, before March 31 each year, in consultation with the Permanent Council, CIES and CIECC or their Permanent Executive Committees, a schedule and a common method for the formulation, presentation, revision and approval of the program-budget of the Organization, taking into account:

a. The urgent need to simplify the stages and processes of revision and approval of the program-budget of the Organization;

b. The guidelines proposed by CIECC in its resolution CIECC-433/79;

c. That the deadline for presentation of the proposed program-budget by the General Secretariat shall be March 31 of the year prior to the beginning of the biennium in question, and

d. That the deadline for the Preparatory Committee to complete its analysis of the proposed program-budget shall be July 31, and for the presentation of its report to the General Assembly, August 15 of the year preceding the beginning of the biennium in question.

3. That all mandates having budgetary implications presented after July 31 shall be considered for the next budget period.

4. That the process of approval of the budget shall not be interpreted in any way as curtailing the authority of the Secretary General as provided in Article 119.a and b of the Charter.

5. To request the Secretary General to establish productivity standards, or programs leading to a strict rationalization of all administrative expenses and costs of the Organization, so that a genuine and consistent austerity policy shall be reflected in all activities.
AG/RES. 443 (IX-0/79)

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

WHEREAS:

The annual report of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (AG/doc.1101/79) concludes that, while there have been positive developments in the observance of human rights in the member states, there has been no appreciable improvement in the situation described in the previous annual report;

Disappearances in certain countries have had a particular effect on the welfare of children either born to women after their "disappearance" or kidnapped with their parents—an method of repression which the Commission finds to be cruel and inhuman;

Torture in some countries appears to be a common practice;

Detention of persons without trial continues to be practiced often through the device of indefinite maintenance of a state of siege;

Violations of human rights in the hemisphere still constitute one of the most serious problems afflicting the conscience of peoples and their governments;

Restrictions still exist in Chile on the exercise of human rights;

According to the Commission's report, the number of denunciations about human rights in Uruguay has diminished in quantitative terms, but very many of the conditions described by the Commission still persist, and

The government of Paraguay has not complied with the recommendations made by the General Assembly at its eighth regular session,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

1. To congratulate the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights for the work it has done since the eighth session of the General Assembly, and to note its annual report with great interest.
2. To congratulate the government of Panama for having taken the initiative in inviting the Commission to visit the country, and for the cooperation it provided during the visit, and to take note of the measures taken by the government of Panama to implement the recommendations contained in the Commission's special report.

3. To declare that the practice of disappearance is an affront to the conscience of the hemisphere, and is totally contrary to common traditional values and to the declarations and agreements signed by the American states, and to endorse the Commission's recommendations for prompt clarification of the status of persons who have disappeared under circumstances described in the annual report.

4. To endorse the United Nations Declaration on Torture, and to reiterate its support for completion of an OAS Convention defining torture as an international crime, pursuant to AG/RES. 368 (VIII-O/78).

5. To urge the government of Chile to step up adoption and implementation of the measures necessary effectively to preserve and ensure the full exercise of human rights in Chile, especially regarding clarification of the situation of those detained persons who have disappeared, return of exiles to their country, lifting of states of emergency, and prompt reinstatement of the right to vote.

6. To reiterate the need for the government of Paraguay to respect human rights, and to urge that government to demonstrate the willingness it expressed in a note from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs dated July 2, 1979, to cooperate with the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights by setting a date certain in the near future for its visit to that country, as agreed with the government of Paraguay in September 1977.

To request the government of Paraguay to lift the stage of siege throughout the country, and to permit all exiles to return.

7. To reiterate its appeal to the government of Uruguay for comprehensive implementation of the measures recommended by the Commission in its previous report, again to ask the government of Uruguay to consider the possibility of inviting the Commission to visit the country, and to take note of the announcement by the government of Uruguay that it is planned to hold general elections in 1981, taking into account the conclusions and observations set forth in the annual report of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights.

8. To request the Commission to continue to monitor the exercise of human rights in Chile, Paraguay and Uruguay, and to report thereon to the tenth regular session of the General Assembly.
WHEREAS:

The annual report of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (AG/doc.1101/79) refers to the situation of the religious group known as Jehovah's Witnesses,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

1. To appeal to the member states not to place any impediment in their legislation on the exercise of the right to freedom of religion and of worship, in accordance with the American Declaration of the Rights and Duties of Man.

2. Concerning Jehovah's Witnesses and its associated agencies, to urge the re-establishment of their right to freedom of religion and worship based on the aforementioned Declaration.
PROMOTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

REAFFIRMING its commitment to promote observance of the American Declaration of the Rights and Duties of Man,

RESOLVES:

1. To thank the individual members of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights for their dedication to the important objectives of this Organization, and for the high level of objectivity and impartiality they have maintained in carrying out the mandate of the Commission to promote and defend human rights in this hemisphere.

2. To reaffirm recommendations made in AG/RES. 371 (VIII-O/78) that member states cooperate fully with the Commission, including giving their consent for on-site observation by the Commission.

3. To urge states where individuals have disappeared to refrain from adopting or implementing laws that would have the effect of impeding investigation of such disappearances.
HAVING SEEN the report of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights on the situation of human rights in El Salvador and its conclusions on the responsibility of the previous government of El Salvador for the systematic violation of those rights, and

CONSIDERING:

That the protection and recognition of human rights is one of the high purposes of the OAS, and that observance of them is a source of solidarity among the member states as well as a guarantee of respect for human life and the dignity of man;

That the Revolutionary Government, which has been ruling El Salvador since October 15, 1979, has stated through its delegation to the Organization that the régime referred to in the report was deposed, among other reasons, for having violated the human rights of the Salvadorian people;

That the Salvadorian delegation has informed the American states during this ninth regular session of the General Assembly that the basis and aim of the program of the Revolutionary Government is to guarantee full observance of human rights, and that it is therefore solemnly committed to carrying out necessary political, economic and social reforms, and

That the primary function of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights is to promote the observance and defense of human rights in all the member states,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

1. To thank the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, and to commend it on its report on the situation of human rights in El Salvador.

2. To note with satisfaction the determination expressed by the new government of El Salvador to promote and guarantee the effective exercise of human rights in that member state.
3. To express the hope that the government of El Salvador will ensure that the measures it has adopted or has offered to adopt, as well as the recommendations contained in the report of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, are strictly complied with, so that human rights can be fully exercised.

4. To request the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights to continue monitoring the situation of human rights in El Salvador, and to include its conclusions in its report to the tenth regular session of the General Assembly.
AG/RES. 447 (IX-0/79)

STATUTE OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION
ON HUMAN RIGHTS

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN:

The draft Statute (AG/doc.1093/79) prepared by the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights in accordance with Article 39 of the American Convention on Human Rights—Pact of San José—and approved by the Commission at its 47th meeting, and the corresponding statement of reasons (AG/doc.1093/79 add. 1), and

The draft Statute of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights prepared by the Working Group to study the draft Statutes of the Commission and of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights (AG/Com.I/doc.22/79), and submitted to this Assembly for consideration, and

CONSIDERING:

That pursuant to Article 52 of the Charter, the General Assembly has the power to determine the structure and functions of the organs of the Organization, and

That it is necessary to make a detailed study of the standards and procedures on incompatibilities that should be incorporated into Article 8 of the draft Statute of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights prepared by the abovementioned Working Group,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve the Statute of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights contained in this resolution.

2. To instruct the Permanent Council to study, as soon as possible, the standards and procedures on incompatibilities that should be incorporated into Article 8 of the Statute approved by the General Assembly, and to submit it to the tenth regular session of the Assembly for appropriate decision.
STATUTE OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

I
NATURE AND PURPOSES

Article 1
1. The Inter-American Commission on Human Rights is an organ of the Organization of the American States, created to promote the observance and defense of human rights and to serve as consultative organ of the Organization in this matter.

2. For the purpose of the present Statute, human rights are understood to be:

(a) The rights set forth in the American Convention on Human Rights, in relation to the States parties thereto;

(b) The rights set forth in the American Declaration of the Rights and Duties of Man, in relation to the other member states.

II
MEMBERSHIP AND STRUCTURE

Article 2
1. The Inter-American Commission on Human Rights shall be composed of seven members, who shall be persons of high moral character and recognized competence in the field of human rights.

2. The Commission shall represent all the member states of the Organization.

Article 3
1. The members of the Commission shall be elected in a personal capacity by the General Assembly of the Organization from a list of candidates proposed by the governments of the member states.

2. Each government may propose up to three candidates, who may be nationals of the state proposing them or of any other member state of the Organization. When a slate of three is proposed, at least one of the candidates shall be a national of a state other than the proposing state.
Article 4

1. At least six months prior to completion of the terms of office for which the members of the Commission were elected, the Secretary General shall request, in writing, each member state of the Organization to present its candidates within 90 days.

2. The Secretary General shall prepare a list in alphabetical order of the candidates nominated, and shall transmit it to the member states of the Organization at least thirty days prior to the next General Assembly.

Article 5

The members of the Commission shall be elected by secret ballot of the General Assembly from the list of candidates referred to in Article 3 (2). The candidates who obtain the largest number of votes and an absolute majority of the votes of the member states shall be declared elected. Should it become necessary to have several ballots to elect all the members of the Commission, the candidates who receive the smallest number of votes shall be eliminated successively, in the manner determined by the General Assembly.

Article 6

The members of the Commission shall be elected for a term of four years and may be re-elected only once.

Article 7

No two nationals of the same state may be members of the Commission.

Article 8

Membership of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights is incompatible with engaging in other activities that might affect the independence or impartiality of the member.

Article 9

The duties of the members of the Commission are:
1. Except when justifiably prevented, to attend the regular and special meetings the Commission holds at its permanent headquarters or in any other place to which it may have decided to move temporarily.

2. To serve, except when justifiably prevented, on the special committees which the Commission may form to conduct on-site observations, or to perform any other duties within their ambit.

3. To maintain absolute secrecy about all matters which the Commission deems confidential.

4. To conduct themselves in their public and private life as befits the high moral authority of the office and the importance of the mission entrusted to the Commission.

**Article 10**

1. If a member commits a serious violation of any of the duties referred to in Article 9, the Commission, on the affirmative vote of five of its members, shall submit the case to the General Assembly of the Organization, which shall decide whether he should be removed from office.

2. The Commission shall hear the member in question before taking its decision.

**Article 11**

1. When a vacancy occurs for reasons other than the normal completion of a member's term of office, the Chairman of the Commission shall immediately notify the Secretary General of the Organization, who shall in turn inform the member states of the Organization.

2. In order to fill vacancies, each government may propose a candidate within a period of 30 days from the date of receipt of the Secretary General's communication that a vacancy has occurred.

3. The Secretary General shall prepare an alphabetical list of the candidates, and shall transmit it to the Permanent Council of the Organization, which shall fill the vacancy.

4. When the term of office is due to expire within six months following the date on which a vacancy occurs, the vacancy shall not be filled.
Article 12

1. In those member states of the Organization that are Parties to the American Convention on Human Rights, the members of the Commission shall enjoy, from the time of their election and throughout their term of office, such immunities as are granted to diplomatic agents under international law. While in office, they shall also enjoy the diplomatic privileges required for the performance of their duties.

2. In those member states of the Organization that are not Parties to the American Convention on Human Rights, the members of the Commission shall enjoy the privileges and immunities pertaining to their posts that are required for them to perform their duties with independence.

3. The system of privileges and immunities of the members of the Commission may be regulated or supplemented by multilateral or bilateral agreements between the Organization and the member states.

Article 13

The members of the Commission shall receive travel allowances and per diem and fees, as appropriate, for their participation in the meetings of the Commission or in other functions which the Commission, in accordance with its Regulations, entrusts to them, individually or collectively. Such travel and per diem allowances and fees shall be included in the budget of the Organization, and their amounts and conditions shall be determined by the General Assembly.

Article 14

1. The Commission shall have a Chairman, a First Vice Chairman and a Second Vice Chairman, who shall be elected by an absolute majority of its members for a period of one year; they may be re-elected only once in each four-year period.

2. The Chairman and the two Vice Chairmen shall be the officers of the Commission, and their functions shall be set forth in the Regulations.

Article 15

The Chairman of the Commission may go to the Commission's headquarters and remain there for such time as may be necessary for the performance of his duties.
III

HEADQUARTERS AND MEETINGS

Article 16

1. The headquarters of the Commission shall be in Washington, D.C.

2. The Commission may move to and meet in the territory of any American state when it so decides by an absolute majority of votes, and with the consent, or at the invitation of the governments concerned.

3. The Commission shall meet in regular and special session, in conformity with the provisions of its Regulations.

Article 17

1. An absolute majority of the members of the Commission shall constitute a quorum.

2. In regard to those states that are Parties to the Convention, decisions shall be taken by an absolute majority vote of the members of the Commission in those cases established by the American Convention on Human Rights and the present Statute. In other cases, an absolute majority of the members present shall be required.

3. In regard to those states that are not Parties to the Convention, decisions shall be taken by an absolute majority vote of the members of the Commission, except in the case of matters of procedure, in which case, the decisions shall be taken by simple majority.

IV

FUNCTIONS AND POWERS

Article 18

The Commission shall have the following powers with respect to the member states of the Organization of American States:

a. to develop an awareness of human rights among the people of the Americas;

b. to make recommendations to the governments of the states on the adoption of progressive measures in favor of human rights in the framework of their legislation, constitutional provisions and international commitments, as well as appropriate measures to further observance of those rights;
c. to prepare such studies or reports as it considers advisable for the performance of its duties;

d. to request that the governments of the states provide it with reports on measures they adopt in matters of human rights;

e. to respond to inquiries made by any member state through the General Secretariat of the Organization on matters related to human rights in that state and, within its possibilities, to provide those states with the advisory services they request;

f. to submit an annual report to the General Assembly of the Organization, in which due account shall be taken of the legal regime applicable to those States Parties to the American Convention on Human Rights and of that system applicable to those that are not Parties;

g. to conduct on-site observations in a state, with the consent or at the invitation of the government in question, and

h. to submit the program-budget of the Commission to the Secretary General, so that he may present it to the General Assembly.

Article 19

With respect to the States Parties to the American Convention on Human Rights, the Commission shall discharge its duties in conformity with the powers granted under the Convention and in the present Statute, and shall have the following powers in addition to those designated in Article 17:

a. to act on petitions and other communications, pursuant to the provisions of Articles 44 to 51 of the Convention;

b. to appear before the Inter-American Court of Human Rights in cases provided for in the Convention;

c. to request the Inter-American Court of Human Rights to take such provisional measures as it considers appropriate in serious and urgent cases which have not yet been submitted to it for consideration, whenever this becomes necessary to prevent irreparable injury to persons;

d. to consult the Court on the interpretation of the American Convention on Human Rights or of other treaties concerning the protection of human rights in the American states;
e. to submit additional draft protocols to the American Convention on Human Rights to the General Assembly, in order progressively to include other rights and freedoms under the system of protection of the Convention, and

f. to submit to the General Assembly, through the Secretary General, proposed amendments to the American Convention on Human Rights, for such action as the General Assembly deems appropriate.

Article 20

In relation to those member states of the Organization that are not Parties to the American Convention on Human Rights, the Commission shall have the following powers, in addition to those designated in Article 17:

a. to pay particular attention to the observance of the human rights referred to in Articles I, II, III, IV, XVIII, XXV, and XXVI of the American Declaration of the Rights and Duties of Man;

b. to examine communications submitted to it and any other available information, to address the government of any member state not a Party to the Convention for information deemed pertinent by this Commission, and to make recommendations to it, when it finds this appropriate, in order to bring about more effective observance of fundamental human rights, and

c. to verify, as a prior condition to the exercise of the powers granted under subparagraph b. above, whether the domestic legal procedures and remedies of each member state not a Party to the Convention have been duly applied and exhausted.

V

SECRETARIAT

Article 21

1. The secretariat services of the Commission shall be provided by a specialized administrative unit under the direction of an Executive Secretary. This unit shall be provided with the resources and staff required to accomplish the tasks the Commission may assign to it.

2. The Executive Secretary, who shall be a person of high moral character and recognized competence in the field of human rights, shall be responsible for the work of the Secretariat and shall assist the Commission in the performance of its duties, in accordance with the Regulations.
3. The Executive Secretary shall be appointed by the Secretary General of the Organization, in consultation with the Commission. Furthermore, for the Secretary General to be able to remove the Executive Secretary, he shall consult with the Commission and inform its members of the reasons for his decision.

VI

STATUTE AND REGULATIONS

Article 22

1. The present Statute may be amended by the General Assembly.

2. The Commission shall prepare and adopt its own Regulations, in accordance with the present Statute.

Article 23

1. In accordance with the provisions of Articles 44 to 51 of the American Convention on Human Rights, the Regulations of the Commission shall determine the procedure to be followed in cases of petitions or communications alleging violation of any of the rights guaranteed by the Convention, and imputing such violation to any State Party to the Convention.

2. If the friendly settlement referred to in Articles 44-51 of the Convention is not reached, the Commission shall draft, within 180 days, the report required by Article 50 of the Convention.

Article 24

1. The Regulations shall establish the procedure to be followed in cases of communications containing accusations or complaints of violation of human rights imputable to states that are not Parties to the American Convention on Human Rights.

2. The Regulations shall contain, for this purpose, the pertinent rules established in the Statute of the Commission approved by the Council of the Organization in resolutions adopted on May 25 and June 8, 1960, with the modifications and amendments introduced by resolution XXII of the Second Special Inter-American Conference, and by the Council of the Organization at its meeting held on April 24, 1968, taking into account resolution CP/RES. 253 (343/78), "Transition from the present Inter-American Commission on Human Rights to the Commission provided for in the American Convention on Human Rights," adopted by the Permanent Council of the Organization on September 20, 1979.
VII

TRANSITORY PROVISIONS

Article 25

Until the Commission adopts its new Regulations, the current Regulations (OEA/Ser.L./VII, 17, doc.26) shall apply to all the member states of the Organization.

Article 26

1. The present Statute shall enter into effect 30 days after its approval by the General Assembly.

2. The Secretary General shall order immediate publication of the Statute, and shall give it the widest possible distribution.
AG/RES. 448 (IX-0/79)

STATUTE OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN:

The draft Statute of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights presented by the Court, in accordance with Article 60 of the American Convention of Human Rights, "Pact of San José," which was approved by the Court (AG/doc.1112/79), and

The draft Statute of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights prepared by the Working Group responsible for studying the draft Statutes of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights (AG/Com.I/doc.27/79 rev. 1), submitted to this Assembly for consideration, and

CONSIDERING:

That in accordance with Article 52 of the Charter, the General Assembly is responsible for the structure and function of the organs of the Organization,

RESOLVES:

To approve the following

STATUTE OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS
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CHAPTER I
GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1: Nature and Legal Organization

The Inter-American Court of Human Rights is an autonomous judicial institution whose purpose is the application and interpretation of the American Convention on Human Rights. The Court exercises its functions in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned Convention and the present Statute.

Article 2: Jurisdiction

The Court shall exercise adjudicatory and advisory jurisdiction:

1. Its adjudicatory jurisdiction shall be governed by the provisions of Articles 61, 62 and 63 of the Convention, and

2. Its advisory jurisdiction shall be governed by the provisions of Article 64 of the Convention.

Article 3: Seat

1. The seat of the Court shall be San José, Costa Rica; however, the Court may convene in any member state of the Organization of American States (OAS) when a majority of the Court considers it desirable, and with the prior consent of the state concerned.

2. The seat of the Court may be changed by a vote of the two-thirds of the States Parties to the Convention, in the OAS General Assembly.

CHAPTER II
COMPOSITION OF THE COURT

Article 4: Composition

1. The Court shall consist of seven judges, nationals of the member states of the OAS, elected in an individual capacity from among jurists of the highest moral authority and of recognized competence in the field of human rights, who possess the qualifications
required for the exercise of the highest judicial functions under the law of the state of which they are nationals or of the state that proposes them as candidates.

2. No two judges may be nationals of the same state.

Article 5: Judicial Terms

1. The judges of the Court shall be elected for a term of six years and may be re-elected only once. A judge elected to replace a judge whose term has not expired shall complete that term.

2. A judicial term shall run from the first of July of the year in which a judge assumes office to the thirtieth of June of the year in which he completes his term. However, outgoing judges shall continue in office until their successors have been installed.

3. Judges shall serve until the end of their terms, subject to the provisions contained in the foregoing paragraph. Nevertheless, they shall continue to hear the cases they have begun to hear and that are still pending, and shall not be replaced by the newly elected judges in the handling of those cases.

Article 6: Election of the Judges - Date

1. Election of judges shall take place, insofar as possible, during the session of the OAS General Assembly immediately prior to the expiration of the term of the outgoing judges.

2. Vacancies on the Court caused by death, permanent disability, resignation or dismissal of judges shall, insofar as possible, be filled at the next session of the OAS General Assembly. However, an election shall not be necessary when a vacancy occurs within six months of the expiration of a term.

3. If necessary in order to preserve a quorum of the Court, the States Parties to the Convention, at a meeting of the OAS Permanent Council, and at the request of the President of the Court, shall appoint one or more interim judge who shall serve until such time as they are replaced by elected judges.

Article 7: Candidates

1. Judges shall be elected by the States Parties to the Convention, at the OAS General Assembly, from a list of candidates nominated by those states.
2. Each State Party may nominate up to three candidates, nationals of the state that propose them or of any other member state of the OAS.

3. When a slate of three is proposed, at least one of the candidates must be a national of a state other than the nominating state.

Article 8: Election - Preliminary Procedures

1. Six months prior to expiration of the terms to which the judges of the Court were elected, the Secretary General of the OAS shall address a written request to each State Party to the Convention that it nominate its candidates within the next ninety days.

2. The Secretary General of the OAS shall draw up an alphabetical list of the candidates nominated, and shall forward it to the States Parties, if possible, at least thirty days before the next session of the OAS General Assembly.

3. In the case of vacancies on the Court, as well as in cases of the death or permanent disability of a candidate, the aforementioned time periods shall be shortened to a period that the Secretary General of the OAS deems reasonable.

Article 9: Voting

1. The judges shall be elected by secret ballot and by an absolute majority of the States Parties to the Convention, from among the candidates referred to in Article 7 of the present Statute.

2. The candidates who obtain the largest number of votes and an absolute majority shall be declared elected. Should several ballots be necessary, those candidates who receive the smallest number of votes shall be eliminated successively, in the manner determined by the States Parties.

Article 10: Ad Hoc Judges

1. If a judge is a national of any of the states parties to a case submitted to the Court, he shall retain his right to hear that case.

2. If one of the judges called upon to hear a case is a national of one of the states parties to the case, any other state party to the case may appoint a person to serve on the Court as an ad hoc judge.

3. If among the judges called upon to hear a case, none is a national of the states parties to the case, each of the latter may appoint an ad hoc judge. Should several states have the same interest
in the case, they shall be regarded as a single party for purposes of the above provisions. In case of doubt, the Court shall decide.

4. The right of any state to appoint an ad hoc judge shall be considered relinquished if the state should fail to do so within thirty days following the written request from the President of the Court.

5. The provisions of Articles 4, 11, 15, 16, 18, 19, and 20 of the present Statutes shall apply to ad hoc judges.

Article 11: Oath

1. Upon assuming office, each judge shall take the following oath or make the following solemn declaration: "I swear" - or "I solemnly declare" - "that I shall exercise my functions as a judge honorably, independently and impartially and that I shall keep secret all deliberations."

2. The oath shall be administered by the President of the Court, and, if possible, in the presence of the other judges.

CHAPTER III
STRUCTURE OF THE COURT

Article 12: Presidency

1. The Court shall elect from among its members a President and Vice President who shall serve for a period of two years; they may be re-elected.

2. The President shall direct the work of the Court, represent it, regulate the disposition of matters brought before the Court, and preside over its sessions.

3. The Vice President shall take the place of the President in the latter's temporary absence, or if the office of the President becomes vacant. In the latter case, the Court shall elect a new Vice President to serve out the term of the previous Vice President.

4. In the absence of the President and the Vice President, their duties shall be assumed by other judges, following the order of precedence established in Article 13 of the present Statute.
Article 13: Precedence

1. Elected judges shall take precedence after the President and Vice President according to their seniority in office.

2. Judges having the same seniority in office shall take precedence according to age.

3. Ad hoc and interim judges shall take precedence after the regular judges, according to age. However, if an ad hoc or interim judge has previously served as an elected judge, he shall have precedence over any other ad hoc or interim judges.

Article 14: Secretariat

1. The Secretariat of the Court shall function under the immediate authority of the Secretary, in accordance with the administrative standards of the OAS General Secretariat, in all matters that are not incompatible with the independence of the Court.

2. The Secretary shall be appointed by the Court. He shall be a full-time employee serving in a position of trust to the Court, shall have his office at the seat of the Court and shall attend any meetings that the Court holds away from its seat.

3. There shall be an Assistant Secretary who shall assist the Secretary in his duties and shall replace him in his temporary absence.

4. The staff of the Secretariat shall be appointed by the Secretary General of the OAS, in consultation with the Secretary of the Court.

CHAPTER IV

RIGHTS, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Article 15: Privileges and Immunities

1. The judges of the Court shall enjoy, from the moment of their election and throughout their term of office, the immunities extended to diplomatic agents under international law. During the exercise of their functions, they shall, in addition, enjoy the diplomatic privileges necessary for the performance of their duties.
2. At no time shall the judges of the Court be held liable for any decisions or opinions issued in the exercise of their functions.

3. The Court itself and its staff shall enjoy the privileges and immunities provided for the Agreement on Privileges and Immunities of the Organization of American States, of May 15, 1949, mutatis mutandis, taking into account the importance and independence of the Court.

4. The provisions of paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of this article shall apply to the States Parties to the Convention. They shall also apply to such other member states of the OAS as expressly accept them, either in general or for specific cases.

5. The system of privileges and immunities of the judges of the Court and of its staff may be regulated or supplemented by multilateral or bilateral agreements between the Court, the OAS and its member states.

Article 16: Service

1. The judges shall remain at the disposal of the Court, and shall travel to the seat of the Court or to the place where the Court is holding its sessions as often and for as long a time as may be necessary, as established in the Regulations.

2. The President shall render his services on a permanent basis.

Article 17: Emoluments

1. The emoluments of the President and the judges of the Court shall be set in accordance with the obligations and incompatibilities imposed on them by Articles 16 and 18, and bearing in mind the importance and independence of their functions.

2. The ad hoc judges shall receive the emoluments established by regulation, within the limits of the Court's budget.

3. The judges shall also receive per diem and travel allowances, when appropriate.

Article 18: Incompatibilities

1. The position of judge of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights is incompatible with the following positions and activities:

   a. Members or high-ranking officials of the executive branch of government, except for those who hold positions that do not
place them under the direct control of the executive branch
and those of diplomatic agents who are not Chiefs of Missions
to the OAS or to any of its member states;

b. Officials of international organizations;

c. Any others that might prevent the judges from discharging
their duties, or that might affect their independence or
impartiality, or the dignity and prestige of the office.

2. In case of doubt as to incompatibility, the Court shall decide.
If the incompatibility is not resolved, the provisions of Article
73 of the Convention and Article 20.2 of the present Statute shall
apply.

3. Incompatibilities may lead only to dismissal of the judge and the
imposition of applicable liabilities, but shall not invalidate the
acts and decisions in which the judge in question participated.

Article 19: Disqualification

1. Judges may not take part in matters in which, in the opinion of
the Court, they or members of their family have a direct interest
or in which they have previously taken part as agents, counsels or
advocates, or as members of a national or international court or
an investigatory committee, or in any other capacity.

2. If a judge is disqualified from hearing a case or for some other
appropriate reason considers that he should not take part in a
specific matter, he shall advise the President of his disqualifica-
tion. Should the latter disagree, the Court shall decide.

3. If the President considers that a judge has cause for disqualifica-
tion or for some other pertinent reason should not take part in a
given matter, he shall advise him to that effect. Should the judge
in question disagree, the Court shall decide.

4. When one or more judges are disqualified pursuant to this article,
the President may request the States Parties to the Convention, in
a meeting of the OAS Permanent Council, to appoint interim judges
to replace them.

Article 20: Disciplinary Regime

1. In the performance of their duties and at all other times, the
judges and staff of the Court shall conduct themselves in a manner
that is in keeping with the office of those who perform an inter-
national judicial function. They shall be answerable to the Court
for their conduct, as well as for any violation, act of negligence or omission committed in the exercise of their functions.

2. The OAS General Assembly shall have disciplinary authority over the judges, but may exercise that authority only at the request of the Court itself, composed for this purpose of the remaining judges. The Court shall inform the General Assembly of the reasons for its request.

3. Disciplinary authority over the Secretary shall lie with the Court, and over the rest of the staff, with the Secretary, who shall exercise that authority with the approval of the President.

4. The Court shall issue disciplinary rules, subject to the administrative regulations of the OAS General Secretariat insofar as they may be applicable in accordance with Article 59 of the Convention.

**Article 21: Resignations - Incapacity**

1. Any resignation from the Court shall be submitted in writing to the President of the Court. The resignation shall not become effective until the Court has accepted it.

2. The Court shall decide whether a judge is incapable of performing his functions.

3. The President of the Court shall notify the Secretary General of the OAS of the acceptance of a resignation or a determination of incapacity, for appropriate action.

**CHAPTER V**

**THE WORKINGS OF THE COURT**

**Article 22: Sessions**

1. The Court shall hold regular and special sessions.

2. Regular sessions shall be held as determined by the Regulations of the Court.

3. Special sessions shall be convoked by the President or at the request of a majority of the judges.
Article 23: Quorum

1. The quorum for deliberations by the Court shall be five judges.

2. Decisions of the Court shall be taken by a majority vote of the judges present.

3. In the event of a tie, the President shall cast the deciding vote.

Article 24: Hearings, Deliberations, Decisions

1. The hearings shall be public, unless the Court, in exceptional circumstances, decides otherwise.

2. The Court shall deliberate in private. Its deliberations shall remain secret, unless the Court decides otherwise.

3. The decisions, judgments and opinions of the Court shall be delivered in public session, and the parties shall be given written notification thereof. In addition, the decisions, judgments and opinions shall be published, along with the judges' individual votes and opinions and with such other data or background information that the Court may deem appropriate.

Article 25: Rules and Regulations

1. The Court shall draw up its Rules of Procedure.

2. The Rules of Procedure may delegate to the President or to Committees of the Court authority to carry out certain parts of the legal proceedings, with the exception of issuing final rulings or advisory opinions. Rulings or decisions issued by the President or the Committees of the Court that are not purely procedural in nature may be appealed before the full Court.

3. The Court shall also draw up its own Regulations.

Article 26: Budget, Financial System

1. The Court shall draw up its own budget and shall submit it for approval to the General Assembly of the OAS, through the General Secretariat. The latter may not introduce any changes in it.

2. The Court shall administer its own budget.
CHAPTER VI

RELATIONS WITH GOVERNMENTS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Article 27: Relations with the Host Country, Governments and Organizations

1. The relations of the Court with the host country shall be governed through a headquarters agreement. The seat of the Court shall be international in nature.

2. The relations of the Court with governments, with the OAS and its organs, agencies and entities and with other international governmental organizations involved in promoting and defending human rights shall be governed through special agreements.

Article 28: Relations with the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights

The Inter-American Commission on Human Rights shall appear as a party before the Court in all cases within the adjudicatory jurisdiction of the Court, pursuant to Article 2.1 of the present Statute.

Article 29: Agreements of Cooperation

1. The Court may enter into agreements of cooperation with such non-profit institutions and law schools, bar associations, courts, academies and educational or research institutions dealing with related disciplines in order to obtain their cooperation and to strengthen and promote the juridical and institutional principles of the Convention in general and of the Court in particular.

2. The Court shall include an account of such agreements and their results in its annual report to the OAS General Assembly.

Article 30: Report to the OAS General Assembly

The Court shall submit a report on its work of the previous year to each regular session of the OAS General Assembly. It shall indicate those cases in which a state has failed to comply with the Court’s ruling. It may also submit to the OAS General Assembly proposals or recommendations on ways to improve the inter-American system of human rights, insofar as they concern the work of the Court.
CHAPTER VII

FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 31: Amendments to the Statute

The present Statute may be amended by the OAS General Assembly, at the initiative of any member state or of the Court itself.

Article 32: Entry into Force

The present Statute shall enter into force on January 1, 1980.
AG/RES. 449 (IX-0/79)

REPORT OF THE INTER-AMERICAN JURIDICAL COMMITTEE

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

CONSIDERING:

That the work of the Inter-American Juridical Committee to promote the progressive development and codification of international law and to assist the Organization in its juridical studies is of importance to the member states;

That in accomplishing these high objectives, the Committee has prepared studies for specialized juridical conferences, and background documents at the request of the Assembly and other organs of the inter-American system;

That mention should be made of the notable contribution the Committee made to the Second Inter-American Specialized Conference on Private International Law-CIDIP-II--held in Montevideo in 1979, which adopted a Protocol and seven conventions, the Committee having prepared drafts for the latter;

That in extending its work to the consolidation and development of international law, pursuant to the mandate of the General Assembly contained in resolution AG/RES. 185 (V-0/75), the Committee has successfully conducted six courses on international law since 1974 that were attended by professors and fellows from the member states;

That in its annual report to the ninth regular session of the General Assembly, the Committee reviewed its activities, the status of its work, and the fifth and sixth courses on international law;

That in the annual report's evaluation of its activities, the Committee informed the Assembly of its concern over the need to have sufficient resources to achieve its objectives, as set forth in the Charter of the Organization and in its Statutes, and

HAVING SEEN the annual report of the Inter-American Juridical Committee to the ninth regular session of the General Assembly (AG/doc.1108/79),
RESOLVES:

1. To note with interest the annual report of the Inter-American Juridical Committee to the ninth regular session of the General Assembly, excluding the Declaration on Territorial Colonialism in the Americas - The Case of Belize.

2. To thank the Inter-American Juridical Committee for its valuable work of promoting the codification and the development of international law and conducting the course on international law.

3. To note with satisfaction the initiative of the Inter-American Juridical Committee in including new and important juridical subjects in its agenda, within the meaning of Article 105 of the Charter.
AG/RES. 450 (IX-0/79)

COURSE ON INTERNATIONAL LAW

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the annual report presented by the Inter-American Juridical Committee to the ninth regular session of the General Assembly, and

CONSIDERING:

That in resolution AG/RES. 185 (V-0/75), the General Assembly established that the course on international law "shall be conducted on a permanent basis through the holding of one such course every year," and that the necessary funds should be appropriated in the program-budget of the Organization "to enable at least one fellow from each member state to participate each year, and... for the administration of the course and publication of the texts of lectures given therein";

That the General Assembly stated in resolution AG/RES. 235 (VI-0/76) that that activity "has been very useful and important to the member states," and that in resolution AG/RES. 309 (VII-0/77), it also emphasized that the course "yielded excellent results and aroused great interest among the member states," and requested that the General Secretariat study "the possibility of gradually increasing the number of fellowship students from the member states for that course";

That in its annual report to the ninth regular session of the General Assembly, the Inter-American Juridical Committee makes reference to the course, and states its "great satisfaction over the success of the Committee's initiative," and

That the course on international law has been organized and carried out with the cooperation of the General Secretariat and the help of the Getúlio Vargas Foundation,

RESOLVES:

1. To thank the Inter-American Juridical Committee for planning, organizing and conducting the course on international law in compliance with the provisions of resolution AG/RES. 185 (V-0/75).
2. To thank the General Secretariat for its help in organizing and conducting the course, and the Getúlio Vargas Foundation for its cooperation.

3. To reaffirm its support for the course on international law of the Inter-American Juridical Committee as a significant contribution to the development of law in the inter-American system and to strengthening cooperation among the countries of the system.
AG/RES. 451 (IX-O/79)

RATIFICATION OF THE CONVENTIONS APPROVED BY CIDIP-I AND CIDIP-II

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

WHEREAS:

The Second Inter-American Specialized Conference on Private International Law (CIDIP-II) held in Montevideo, Uruguay approved seven conventions and one protocol on topics of great importance and special interest to inter-American juridical relations;

The approval of these eight instruments by CIDIP-II represents an invaluable contribution to the work of updating the rules of private international law in the Americas, begun by CIDIP-I, when six such conventions were signed;

The General Assembly, through resolution AG/RES. 236 (VI-O/76), urged the governments of the member states of the Organization, if they had not already done so, to sign and to ratify in accordance with their legislative procedures, the conventions signed at CIDIP-I, which are already in force among some member states;

The conventions of both CIDIP-I and CIDIP-II are open for signature and ratification by the member states and for accession by any other state;

In Resolution IV, the Twenty-First Conference of the Inter-American Federation of Lawyers held in San Juan, Puerto Rico reaffirmed the recommendations made to the member associations and individual members of the Federation at the Nineteenth Conference, that they urge the governments of the member states of the OAS and other states that had not done so to sign and ratify or accede to the conventions approved by CIDIP-I, and also called upon them to do likewise with respect to the seven conventions and the protocol approved by CIDIP-II;

Cooperation in the progressive development and codification of international law within the inter-American system is of fundamental importance, and

The conventions of CIDIP-I and CIDIP-II should therefore be signed and ratified by the largest possible number of states,
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

1. To renew the appeal made in resolution AG/RES. 236 (VI-0/76) to the governments of the member states of the OAS that have not done so to sign and ratify the conventions approved by CIDIP-I.

2. To urge the governments of the member states of the Organization of American States that have not already done so to sign, if they deem it advisable, and to ratify, in accordance with their legislative procedures, the following seven conventions and the additional protocol approved by the Second Inter-American Specialized Conference on Private International Law (CIDIP-II):

   1. Inter-American Convention on Conflicts of Laws Concerning Checks.
   2. Inter-American Convention on Conflicts of Laws Concerning Commercial Companies.
   3. Inter-American Convention on Extraterritorial Validity of Foreign Judgments and Arbitral Awards.
   4. Inter-American Convention on Execution of Preventive Measures.
   5. Inter-American Convention on Proof of and Information on Foreign Law.
   7. Inter-American Convention on Domicile of Physical Persons in Private International Law.
AG/RES. 452 (IX-O/79)

TO CARRY OUT THE MANDATES APPROVED BY CIDIP-II

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

WHEREAS:

The Second Inter-American Specialized Conference on Private International Law (CIDIP-II), in resolutions CIDIP-II/RES. IV and CIDIP-II/RES. V, requested the General Assembly to direct that studies be made on the following subjects; with a view to their inclusion in the agenda of a subsequent Inter-American Specialized Conference on Private International Law: international maritime transportation; transportation of goods and persons by land; personality and capacity of physical and juridical persons, and

The Conference recommended, in resolution CIDIP-II/RES. VI, that the General Assembly instruct the General Secretariat to appoint experts to prepare a draft Additional Protocol to the Inter-American Convention on the Taking of Evidence Abroad,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

1. To recommend that the Permanent Council take steps to provide the General Secretariat with the resources needed for it to carry out, in coordination with the Inter-American Juridical Committee, the mandates approved by CIDIP-II, to the extent possible within the budget.

2. To instruct the General Secretariat to submit the completed studies requested by CIDIP-II to the Inter-American Juridical Committee for consideration.
WHEREAS:

In Resolution CIDIP-II/RES. IX, the Second Inter-American Specialized Conference on Private International Law (CIDIP-II) requested the General Assembly to urge the member states to furnish the OAS General Secretariat with information on their legislation that will enable its computerized data bank to provide an effective service;

The preamble to this resolution states that the data bank will be of very great use to the member states that wish promptly to receive reliable legal information on the various countries of the Americas and on the Organization itself, and

In its first stage of operation, the data bank is to contain information on: (a) signatories, ratifications or accessions and denunciations of inter-American treaties deposited with the General Secretariat of the OAS; (b) signatories, ratifications and denunciations of bilateral agreements to which the Organization is a party; (c) legislation of the member states on points of special interest to the activities of the Organization,

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

1. To urge the governments of the member states to provide the General Secretariat with the text of their legislation on the following matters so that this information may be fed into the computerized data bank: copyright; mines and petroleum; foreign investment; transnational enterprises; rules governing foreign companies; commercial arbitration; international contracts; transfer of technology; industrial property; protection of the environment; energy; terrorism; international labor relations; divorce and laws governing property in marriage; bilateral and multilateral treaties and agreements establishing programs and activities between two or more countries, such as the joint commissions for the development of water resources, regulations on international contracting of services and works, the supply of materials, and other legal aspects of such programs and activities, as well as any other legal provision that the member states may consider should be included in this data bank.
2. To recommend that, if necessary, the Permanent Council duly consider, in consultation with the General Secretariat, the possibility of appropriating supplementary resources to maintain the data bank.
AG/RES. 454 (IX-0/79)

RATIFICATION OF THE CONVENTION ON RECOVERY ABROAD OF MAINTENANCE

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

WHEREAS:

The Second Inter-American Specialized Conference on Private International Law (CIDIP-II) approved the Inter-American Convention on Execution of Preventive Measures, Article 2 of which makes provision for "the execution of measures to guarantee the security of persons, such as protective custody of minor children or provisional alimony";

Through resolution CIDIP-II/RES. X, the Conference requested the General Assembly to urge the governments of the OAS member states that have not ratified the Convention on Recovery Abroad of Maintenance, signed in New York on June 20, 1956, to examine the possibility of ratifying it, and

The preamble to that resolution states that "this Conference has set great store by the importance of legally protecting persons who need a greater measure of "judicial assistance" and "maintenance obligations are a constant cause of concern to jurists in the Americas,"

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

To urge the governments of member states of the Organization that have not already done so to examine the possibility of ratifying the Convention on Recovery Abroad of Maintenance approved in New York on June 20, 1956.
RESOLUTION 455 (IX-O/79)

INFORMATION ON THE CONSTITUTIONAL EVOLUTION OF THE NONAUTONOMOUS TERRITORIES IN THE AMERICAN HEMISPHERE AND OTHER TERRITORIES IN THE AMERICAS HAVING TIES WITH COUNTRIES OUTSIDE THE HEMISPHERE

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the information document (AG/doc.1088/79) on the status of the nonautonomous territories in the American hemisphere and other territories in the Americas having ties with countries outside the hemisphere presented by the General Secretariat in compliance with resolution AG/RES. 373 (VIII-O/78),

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of information document AG/doc.1088/79.

2. To request that the General Secretariat keep the General Assembly informed of any changes that may occur in the constitutional status of the territories listed in that document.

3. To request that the General Secretariat include an up-to-date report on the status of Belize in the report on nonautonomous territories in the American hemisphere and territories in the Americas having ties with countries outside the hemisphere to be presented to the tenth regular session of the General Assembly.

4. To instruct the Preparatory Committee to place this topic on the agenda of the tenth regular session of the General Assembly.
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AG/RES. 456 (IX-0/79)

THE CARIBBEAN AS A ZONE OF PEACE

(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

NOTING the recent increase in military activities in the Caribbean sub-region, which activities have produced tension in this area;

BEARING IN MIND that the Caribbean is an area of peace and stability, and that not only is maintenance of these conditions necessary for the progress and economic and social development of its people, but is also an indispensable element in the progress and development of the region as a whole;

RECOGNIZING that it is within the exclusive competence of sovereign states to decide upon the path to be taken for the attainment of the goals of democracy, social justice and integral development for their peoples,

RECOGNIZING further that, while the states in the Caribbean sub-region have an urgent and pressing need for external economic assistance to achieve these goals, the principles of international social justice require that such assistance be given in consultation with, and with the fullest respect for the sovereign wishes of the recipient countries,

RESOLVES:

1. To express its deep concern over the heightening of tension in the sub-region resulting from the recent increases in military activity in the Caribbean area.

2. To repudiate the concept of the region, or any of its sub-regions, as a sphere of influence for any power.

3. To stress its support for the principles of ideological pluralism and peaceful co-existence, which are essential to the peace, stability and development of the region.

4. To call upon all states to recognize the region as a Zone of Peace, and to devote all their efforts, in appropriate regional and international forums, to the advancement of this concept.
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN:

The proposed 1980-81 program-budget of the Organization presented by the Secretary General;

The report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Matters (AG/CP/doc.233/79);

Resolution CIECC-458/79, which adopted the 1980-81 program-budget for the area of education, science, and culture;

The report of CEPCIES on the proposed program-budget in the area of CIES for 1980-81 (AG/doc.1129/79), and the final report of the rapporteur approved by the fourteenth regular annual meeting of CIES at the ministerial level (AG/INF.137/79);

Resolutions AG/RES. 364 (VIII-0/78) and CP/RES. 287 (392/79) on the method of financing the initial payment of the new building of the Organization at headquarters;

The report of the Preparatory Committee on the proposed program-budget of the Organization, 1980-81 (AG/doc.1121/79), and

CONSIDERING:

That to date, pledges of contributions have been received for the Special Development Assistance Fund (SDAF) in the amount of US$10,517,607 to finance in 1980 the corresponding parts of the 1980-1981 program-budget, in the area of CIES, and for the Multilateral Special Fund of CIECC (MCIECC) for a total of US$10,455,346, and for the Mar del Plata Account US$3,775,175 and the Special Account for Culture in the amount of US$953,687, in the area of CIECC, and

That, pursuant to Article 58.5 of the Charter, the Preparatory Committee examined the proposed 1980-81 program-budget, and make the observations, suggestions for changes and recommendations that appear in its report to the General Assembly (AG/doc.1121/79),
RESOLVED:

1. BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

1. To approve—with the changes in and observations on the specific recommendations contained in the report of the Preparatory Committee (AC/doc.1121/79) made by the Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Matters of this Assembly—the program-budget of the Organization for the fiscal period January 1, 1980 to December 31, 1981, financed by the following Funds and Accounts: a. Regular; b. Special Development Assistance; c. CIIECC Special Multilateral; d. Mar del Plata Account, and e. Special Account for Culture, for a total net appropriation of US$163,532,400 as shown in Table A.

2. To authorize for the first year, 1980, an overall net appropriation in the amount of US$79,323,500, distributed as follows: Regular Fund US$51,928,900; SDAF US$11,344,600; FEMCIIECC US$11,000,000; Mar del Plata Account US$4,000,000; and Special Account for Culture US$1,050,000, as shown in Table B on overall appropriations. The appropriations for the second year of the biennium, 1981, are given in Table C and are approved provisionally.

3. To establish the following structure of posts approved for 1980 financed by the Regular Fund:

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Total 1,193
To approve the following levels of appropriations, and the recommendations, instructions or mandates that are specified below:

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The General Secretariat is instructed to schedule meetings and conferences so that they can be served by the regular staff, and so that they will not extend past 6:00 p.m., to avoid the need for performance contract staff or overtime pay.

d. Secretariat of the General Assembly, the Meeting of Consultation, and the Permanent Council.

3. CIES and CEPcies
   a. CIES
   b. CEPcies

4. CIECC, CEPCECC, and INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEES
   a. CIECC
   b. CEPCECC
   c. Meetings of CIS, CICYT, and CIDEC

5. Inter-American Commission on Human Rights

6. Inter-American Court of Human Rights

7. Inter-American Juridical Committee

Inasmuch as the headquarters of the Inter-American Juridical Committee is not in Washington, D.C., the General Secretariat is instructed to consult with the Committee prior to making any changes in approved funds.

8. Retirement and Pension Committee

Items financed by the Retirement and Pension Fund of the staff of the Organization.
CHAPTER 2 - OTHER AGENCIES AND ENTITIES (In US$1,000)

1. Inter-American Defense Board

   In view of the austerity policy of the Organization, it is recommended that the Inter-American Defense Board seek to reduce the costs of documents, interpretation services, motor vehicles, and staff, and that these reductions be reflected in its next proposed program-budget.

2. Inter-American Children’s Institute

3. Inter-American Commission of Women
   - Post eliminated: 1 P-2

4. Pan American Development Foundation

5. Inter-American Nuclear Energy Commission

CHAPTER 3 - EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT

1. Secretary General and Assistant Secretary General
   - Post eliminated: 1 G-5

2. Bureau of Legal Affairs

   The General Secretariat is requested to have the Treaties, Information, and Publications Unit of the Bureau of Legal Affairs publish the series of constitutions of the member states in one looseleaf volume so that any changes may simply be inserted.

   The General Secretariat, through the Office of Conference, Documents, and Language Services, will provide translation services on a priority basis to the Bureau.
3. Public Information

- Posts eliminated: 1 D-1, 2 P-5, 2 P-4, 1 P-3, 3 P-2, 1 P-1 = 10 posts
- New posts: 3 P-1 and 1 G-6 = 4 posts
- Transfers: 7 P-1 and 1 P-2 to the National Offices = 8 posts
- Posts reclassified: 1 P-1 to P-2, and 2 G-7 to G-5

4. América

- Post reclassified: 1 F-3 to P-1

5. Audit and Evaluation

The General Secretariat is instructed to ensure that the evaluations made by this Office follow the guidelines set forth in resolution 48/RES. 146 (IV-0/74) designed to increase efficiency, effectiveness, and economies within the programs and projects of the Organization

6. Museum of Modern Art of Latin America

245.9 253.7

CHAPTER 4 - EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS

19,473.8 20,755.0

Regular Fund
8,471.1 8,722.8
SDAF
10,702.7 12,032.2

1. Executive Secretariat

1,435.9 1,996.3

Regular Fund
1,335.9 1,428.3
SDAF
100.0 568.0

2. Planning and Statistics

2,368.4 2,517.4

Regular Fund
1,994.3 2,036.3
SDAF
374.1 481.1

(In US$1,000)

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CHAPTER 5 - EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT FOR EDUCATION, SCIENCE, AND CULTURE

1. Executive Secretary

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- New Post: 1 P-4 to normalize a fixed-term contract. Its final level will be determined by the general audit.
- Transfer: 1 P-4 to the National Office in Argentina.

2. Regional Educational Development Program

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- Posts eliminated: 2 P-4, 1 P-3, 2 P-2, 1 G-6, 1 G-4 = 7 posts
CHAPTER 6 - SECRETARIAT FOR DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION

1. Assistant Secretary for Development Cooperation
   - 1980: 267.8
   - 1981: 271.4

2. Direct Services Operations
   - 1980: 3,398.0
   - 1981: 3,584.5

3. International Cooperation
   - 1980: 901.7
   - 1981: 939.4

4. Youth Affairs
   - 1980: 417.3
   - 1981: 438.0

5. Coordination and Support to Offices away from Headquarters
   - 1980: 4,509.3
   - 1981: 4,578.0
     - a. Office of the Director
       - 1980: 437.4
       - 1981: 443.8
     - b. National Offices Group I
       - 1980: 953.0
       - 1981: 974.0
     - c. National Offices Group II
       - 1980: 1,232.9
       - 1981: 1,263.3
     - d. National Offices Group III
       - 1980: 1,650.4
       - 1981: 1,690.9
     - e. National Offices Group IV
       - 1980: 235.6
       - 1981: 206.0

- Posts eliminated: At headquarters:
  - 1 P-1, 1 P-2, and 2 G-5, = 4 posts
- New posts:
  - 1 P-4 Deputy Director, Colombia
  - 1 P-4 Deputy Director, Ecuador
- Post transferred:
  - From the Office of the Executive Secretary of EDUCULT to the National Office in Argentina: 1 P-4

From Public Information:
- 1 P-2 to the OAS office in Honduras
- 1 P-1 to the OAS office in Argentina
- 1 P-1 to the OAS office in Brazil
- 1 P-1 to the OAS office in Chile
- 1 P-1 to the OAS office in Mexico
- 1 P-1 to the OAS office in Peru
- 1 P-1 to the OAS office in the Dominican Republic
- 1 P-1 to the OAS office in Uruguay

Total = 9 posts

- Post reclassified: 1 P-3 to P-2
  (OAS office in Barbados)
### CHAPTER 7 - SECRETARIAT FOR MANAGEMENT

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<td>It is recommended to the General Secretariat that the control of all performance contracts, now handled in the Contracting Office, be transferred to the Office of Personnel, along with the respective posts.</td>
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10. Administrative Analysis
   Posts reclassified: 1 P-5 to P-4 level

CHAPTER 8 - COMMON SERVICES

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1. Hospitality
   80.0

2. Contingencies
   15.0

3. Equipment and Supplies
   148.0

4. Building Management and Maintenance
   a. Building management and maintenance
      3,876.1
   b. Allocation to finance the preliminary costs for the planned OAS building in Montevideo, in accordance with resolution CP/RES. 293 (406/79). The General Secretariat shall submit a report to the Permanent Council on the use of these funds, prior to the tenth regular session of the General Assembly
      10.0

5. Insurance
   291.0

6. Recruitment and Transfers
   Regular Fund
      252.2
   SDAF
      268.8

7. Termination and Repatriation
   Regular Fund
      1,629.3
   SDAF
      298.4
III. GENERAL PROVISIONS

A. BUDGETARY

1. Transfers between Chapters, Regular Fund

To authorize the Secretary General to transfer funds between the chapters of the program-budget, not to exceed a maximum of 5 percent of the total allocated to the chapter from which the funds are taken or the chapter that receives them, provided this does not involve elimination of or any substantial alteration in any approved program. In the event a transfer would exceed the aforementioned 5 percent, the Secretary General shall obtain prior authorization from the Permanent Council.

The Secretary General shall inform the Permanent Council, every quarter, of transfers made in accordance with this provision, and shall give appropriate justification.

2. Purpose of Appropriations

To reiterate to the General Secretariat that amounts approved in the 1980-81 program-budget, both in the Regular Fund and in the voluntary funds, must be used for the purposes for which they are allocated, with the exception of specific authorizations as regards transfers of appropriations. All other changes shall be authorized by the Permanent Council, when it is a question of the Regular Fund. With regard to the voluntary funds, all changes that are not in accordance with the provisions of the respective regulations shall be authorized by the Permanent Executive Committees of CIES and CIECC, as applicable. In every case, decisions shall be taken by the affirmative vote of two thirds of the member states of the Organization. Also to re-emphasize the provisions in force designed to prevent overdrawing the appropriations, and that there must be strict compliance with them.

3. Agreement having financial or budgetary implications

The Secretary General is instructed, when signing any agreements that carry financial or budgetary implications, to bring them to the attention of the appropriate body.

4. Honorariums and per diem allowances

To reaffirm the principle of uniformity in the honorariums and per diem allowances paid to members of committees and commissions entitled to such compensation.
5. **Payment of quotas and contributions**

To remind the governments of the member states of the need to make all possible efforts to pay their quotas and contributions before April 30 of each year, in order to ensure that the financial operations of the General Secretariat functions normally in executing the program-budget.

6. **Working Capital Subfund of the Regular Fund**

Not to approve any appropriations during the 1980-81 biennium for reimbursement to the Working Capital Subfund of the Regular Fund.

7. **Growth of the program-budget**

To recommend to the General Secretariat that in presenting the program-budget, the organs, agencies, and entities of the Organization, as well as their respective offices and subordinate bodies financed by the Regular Fund shall not exceed by more than 10 percent the total budgeted for the preceding year. With respect to the voluntary funds, the established level should bear a close relationship to a realistic projection of available funds.

8. **Presentation of the proposed program-budget of the Organization**

To instruct the General Secretariat to submit the program-budget of the Organization for review to the governing bodies no later than March to permit sequential reviews by the Advisory Committee, the Permanent Council, CIES and CIECC, and the Preparatory Committee.

9. **Documents**

To instruct the Permanent Council to conduct a study, in consultation with the two technical councils and the General Secretariat, on rationalizing the documents of the Organization.

10. **Publications**

To instruct the Permanent Council, in consultation with the two technical councils, to study the various publications for the purpose of eliminating, consolidating or otherwise rationalizing them, without discrimination as to the source of funds. In this connection, the Council should determine appropriate policies on sales of publications, translations, acceptable cost-to-readership ratios, use of Secretariat personnel and translator services, taking into account the suggestions in the
Advisory Committee’s document (CP/doc.986/79). The Council shall maintain a limited number of quality publications that deal with the priority policy and technical information needs of the member states, and thus, optimize utilization of the limited funds available to the OAS. The Permanent Council shall complete the study by March 1980. The findings should be reflected in the 1980 Publications Schedule.

11. Communications

To instruct the Secretary General to present a program for reducing the cost of these items in the 1981 budget.

12. Personnel

To instruct the Secretary General to identify all cases of long-term employment classified under objects of expenditure 02, Temporary Posts, and 08, Performance Contracts, and to determine the needs for such functions. If the Secretary General should conclude that these functions are essential, the positions in question should be considered in 1981 for inclusion as regular positions under object 01, "Approved posts."

The Secretary General shall not hire temporary personnel or use performance contracts for the appointment of any employee whose assignment is expected to encompass long-term functions required by the Secretariat for its normal operations.

13. Classification

a. Reclassification of positions that were not in the pipeline and effected by the General Secretariat prior to the completion of the general audit shall be disallowed and the position returned to the earlier grade levels.1/

b. The only reclassifications that can be considered at this time are those which result from the overall audit called for under resolution AG/RES. 384 (VI-E/78).

c. Since General Assembly resolutions AG/RES. 321 (V-E/77) and 384 (VI-Q/78) established the restriction on reclassification not in the pipeline and effected prior to the completion of the general

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1. Posts affected hereunder are:
   1 P-5 Administrative Analysis Unit.
   1 P-3 Americas Magazine.
   1 P-3 Office in Barbados.
audit, there can be no recourse to the Administrative Tribunal by any staff members occupying positions which were reclassified in contravention of the decisions of the General Assembly.

d. Whenever a position is reclassified to a level more than one grade higher, the promotion of the staff member to the new level should be accomplished at the rate of one grade per year if the incumbent qualifies for the position.

e. On completion of the general audit referred to in resolution AG/RES. 384 (VI-E/78), the Secretary General shall establish an annual audit schedule, and shall advise the Permanent Council of any proposed or recommended changes in the authorized grade levels. These changes shall be reflected in the subsequent program-budget.

14. Personnel and travel costs

To instruct the Permanent Council to study in 1980, jointly with the Secretary General, the amendment of Articles 66 and 67 of the General Standards which it shall approve, subject to a subsequent decision of the General Assembly.

This study shall attempt to provide a better description of the components of each category of activity and object of expenditure.

The General Assembly recommends that the description specify personnel and travel costs.

15. Travel

To instruct the technical councils not to include travel for staff members of the General Secretariat in the country projects, but rather in a separate item so that it can be monitored.

The General Assembly further recommends that the technical councils study the issue of travel involving non-staff members included in the projects so as to effect the maximum possible savings.

B. FINANCIAL

1. Financing of América's magazine for 1980

a. To authorize full use of all revenues generated by the sale of the magazine in 1980.

b. To instruct the General Secretariat to submit semiannual reports to the Permanent Council on use of these revenues.
2. Reprinting of publications

To use up a yearly total of US$50,000 of revenue from sales of publications to meet increased printing costs, replacement of stocks of publications and increases in pressure of periodical publications. It is understood that a report in this regard will be included in the appropriate financial statements.

3. Pledge deadline - voluntary funds

a. To remind CIES and CIECC that resolution AG/RES. 321 (V-E/77) provided that a deadline be set for the receipt of pledges to their voluntary funds, based on the estimates prepared by the General Secretariat, and that there should be no less than 60 days between the date of presentation of these estimates by the General Secretariat, and the making of pledges by the member states. Pledges to the voluntary funds, once officially confirmed, constitute a commitment to pay.

b. To provide that when one or more member states make no pledge to the voluntary funds, or pledge less than the amounts assigned to them in the Secretariat’s calculations, the remaining countries may increase their own contributions, and thus receive in addition the proportional benefits of the matching funds available.

4. Multiplier factor

To remind CIES and CIECC of the need to establish multiplier factors, so that each member state may know in advance the value of the services it will be entitled to receive, proportionate to its contribution, and to provide that countries that do not make pledges in their due proportion shall receive services only in proportion to what they have actually pledged (AG/RES. 321 (V-E/77).

5. Method of financing the first installment on the new building of the Organization

a. To urge the member states to pay their portion of the special contribution prior to June 30, 1980, to avoid the loss of interest to the Regular Fund that a delay in payment would cause.

b. To recommend to the Permanent Council that it prepare, in consultation with the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Matters (CAAP), studies laying out alternatives on the term, amount and servicing of the debt to enable
the total cost of the new General Secretariat building to be amortized or, if applicable, liquidated, under the best possible financial conditions for the member states.

C. ADMINISTRATIVE

1. Reorganization of the General Secretariat

To encourage and to authorize the Secretary General to undertake a reorganization of the General Secretariat in 1980 to effect greater economies in administration and operations, and to report periodically to the Permanent Council, and also to the tenth regular session of the General Assembly.

2. Implementation of resolution AG/RES. 321 (V-E/77)

To recommend to the Permanent Council that it give full implementation in 1980 to resolution AG/RES. 321 (V-E/77).

3. Cooperation by non-member states

To recommend to the Permanent Council that it complete in 1980 the review of the recommendations contained in the study on the Office of International Cooperation, which was undertaken in compliance with resolution AG/RES. 321 (V-E/77).

4. Conferences

   a. To instruct the General Secretariat to implement CP/RES. 247 (340/78).

   b. To recommend to the Secretary General that he undertake a thorough review of the organization, procedures and systems of meetings and conferences to streamline their management and reduce their costs. The General Assembly recommend elimination in this biennium of a variety of conference services as an initial step in reducing expenses. In calculating the cost of conferences the budget shall be based on expenses at headquarters.

5. Books and library services

To recommend to the Secretary General that a system be established to centralize all purchases of books and subscriptions in the Columbus Memorial Library and to control all acquisitions.
ii. Stem from the provisions of paragraph 2 of Article 33 of the Charter of the Organization regarding activities that attract funds from external sources.

b. To effect reductions in the direct services to the member states, in amounts proportionately equal to the services budgeted in 1980.

2. To instruct CEPCIECC that prior to December 10, 1979, it adjust the appropriations to the level of available financing, in accordance with the following criteria:

   a. To reduce the amounts for the regional projects and activities by the same proportion as the proposed 1980-81 program-budget was reduced to the level of the budget approved.

   b. To mandate that the reductions shall not affect those appropriations that are essential to achieving the goals set for those projects and activities.

   c. To determine that in the event application of the preceding criterion might seriously affect the feasibility of a project or activity, reductions shall be made according to the following guidelines:

      i. attempt, as far as possible, not to touch projects or activities from the relatively less-developed countries, and

      ii. attempt not to touch projects which are projected for completion in 1980.
### APPROPRIATIONS APPROVED FOR THE 1980-81 BIENNIAL OF THE PROGRAM-BUDGET OF THE ORGANIZATION

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Total appropriations for programs | 160,592.7 | 109,012.0 | 51,580.7 | 20,931.0 | 20,547.8 | 8,130.7 | 1,971.2 |

Contributions for tech. superv. and admin. support to the Regular Fund | 7,604.0 | 7,604.0 | 3,103.7 | 2,992.2 | | 1,219.3 | 288.8 |

Gross Appropriation | 168,196.7 | 109,012.0 | 54,684.7 | 24,034.7 | 23,540.0 | 9,350.0 | 2,260.0 |

Less:

a. Estimated income, Publication and Conf's. Revolving Fund | 3,786.9 | 3,786.9 | | | | | |

b. Adjustments due to vacancies | 877.4 | 877.4 | | | | | |

Net appropriation | 163,532.4 | 104,347.7 | 59,184.7 | 24,034.7 | 23,540.0 | 9,350.0 | 2,260.0 |
### Table A

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a. This figure is shown only to establish the percentage for each member state.

b. Amounts paid to member states to cover income taxes of staff member subject to such taxation.

c. Adjustments for allocations of preceding years.

d. Amounts to be reimbursed to the United States for income taxes of staff member subject to such taxation.
EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND TO THE STAFF OF THE HOST COUNTRY
(Resolution adopted at the twelfth plenary session held on October 31, 1979)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

1. To express its sincere appreciation to His Excellency Gustavo Fernandez, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Bolivia and President of the General Assembly, for the efficient, impartial and skillful manner in which he directed the work of the General Assembly.

2. To express its appreciation to all the staff provided by the government of Bolivia, whose efficient cooperation contributed to the success of the Assembly's work.
AG/RES. 459 (IX-0/79)

EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION TO THE GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF BOLIVIA

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RESOLVES:

To express its sincere appreciation to the government and people of Bolivia for their warm and generous hospitality, and for their full support which made possible the success of the work of the ninth regular session of the General Assembly.
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

RESOLVES:

To express its appreciation to the representatives of the domestic and international press, radio and television for the outstanding work they performed in the task of informing the public about the work and outcome of the ninth regular session of the General Assembly.