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DECLARATION OF MANAGUA
FOR THE PROMOTION OF DEMOCRACY AND DEVELOPMENT

(Adopted at the fourth plenary session,
held on June 8, 1993)

The Ministers of Foreign Affairs and heads of delegation of the member states of the Organization of American States (OAS), meeting on the occasion of the twenty-third regular session of the OAS General Assembly in Managua, Republic of Nicaragua,

STRESSING that the Organization of American States created at the beginning of this decade valuable mechanisms for the defense of democratic values in the Hemisphere, with due respect for the principle of nonintervention, inspired by the precept that the solidarity of the American states and the high aims which are sought through it require the political organization of those states on the basis of the effective exercise of representative democracy;

RECALLING the important contributions made in this regard by the Santiago Commitment to Democracy and the Renewal of the Inter-American System, by resolution AG/RES. 1080 (XXI-0/91) "Representative Democracy", by the Declaration of Nassau, and by the "Protocol of Washington" on amendments to the Charter of the Organization;

RECOGNIZING that the progress made in defense of democratic institutions must be complemented by mechanisms which foster and reinforce democratic government in an integral way, thereby improving its ability to face the challenges of economic, social, and cultural development in all the member states;

AWARE that the Organization has concentrated to a large extent on seeking solutions to crises and that what is needed, in addition, is more effort directed towards preventing such crises;

BEARING IN MIND the part the Organization has been playing in fostering understanding, dialogue, and reconciliation in some member states, with due respect for the principles of nonintervention and the right of peoples to determine their own destiny, as a contribution to strengthening democracy;

CONVINCED that seeking sustainable development has required extraordinary efforts and sacrifice on the part of the developing countries of the Hemisphere, and that more cooperation and external support is urgently needed to ensure that those efforts strengthen them with tangible fruits of growth, avoiding the frustration to which a lack of results could lead;

RECOGNIZING the link between improving the quality of life of the American peoples and consolidating democracy;
CONSCIOUS that the ongoing threats to the stability of democratic systems in the Hemisphere call for a new, dynamic, and comprehensive look at the role of the Organization; 

CONSIDERING that there is an awareness in the region of the need to improve legal and administrative structures so as to prevent the obstruction of governance that fosters the harmful phenomenon of corruption and discredits authorities and institutions; 

REAFFIRMING that the people of the Americas should play a leading role in fighting racism and racial discrimination; and 

CONVINCED that no problem facing the member states justifies a breach of the system of representative democracy,

DECLARE:

1. The need to consolidate, in the context of the cultural identity of each nation in the Hemisphere, democratic structures and systems which encourage freedom and social justice, safeguard human rights, and favor progress.

2. Their firm belief that democracy, peace, and development are inseparable and indivisible parts of a renewed and integral vision of solidarity in the Americas; and that the ability of the Organization to help preserve and strengthen democratic structures in the region will depend on the implementation of a strategy based on the interdependence and complementarity of those three values.

3. Their conviction that the Organization’s mission does not exhaust itself in the defense of democracy wherever its fundamental values and principles have collapsed, but also calls for ongoing and creative work to consolidate democracy as well as a continuing effort to prevent and anticipate the very causes of the problems that work against democratic rule.

4. Their certainty that consolidating democracy requires initiatives and programs aimed both at prevention and incentives for its development, and entails extraordinary efforts to achieve, among other aims, the eradication of the extreme poverty which undermines the full development of democracy among the peoples of the Hemisphere. It therefore calls for the implementation of programs to meet such basic needs as food, health, education, housing, and productive employment, thereby laying the foundations for inter-American cooperation based on the common and solidary goal of integral development.

5. Their opinion that the support and cooperation provided by the OAS toward strengthening democratic institutions through programs to help the states that request them to enhance their own ability to improve their schemes of political organization are fundamental to this new hemispheric commitment. In this regard, they underscore the contribution of the Unit for the Promotion of Democracy and of the Permanent Council in preparing proposed incentives for the preservation and strengthening of democratic systems in the Hemisphere.
6. Their conviction that this hemisphere-wide commitment should address the problem of safeguarding human rights with renewed emphasis on the promotion of civil, political, economic, social, and cultural rights. The identification of human rights violations should be accompanied by educational and promotional activities to prevent situations in which human rights are threatened.

7. Their support for the processes of modernizing administrative and political structures in those states that request it, in order that governmental action may meet the increasing demands of their people for more effectiveness and more ethical governance.

8. Their certainty that the strengthening of democratic systems requires, in particular cases, efforts to achieve national reconciliation and thereby foster a democratic culture based on the balance and independence of the branches of government, on dialogue and the search for consensus, on respect for the role and responsibility of minorities and of all political groups, and on citizens’ participation and peaceful political interaction.

9. Their conviction that all sectors of society in the countries of the Hemisphere must cooperate in a constructive way in strengthening democracy, including governments and political oppositions, and their firm belief that each state should undertake a continuing review of its public administration with a view to improving governance and the relationship between representatives and those represented, in an effort to strengthen democracy, with the cooperation of the OAS, and with due respect for the principle of nonintervention.

10. Their firm belief that this hemispheric commitment requires that its peoples be given greater opportunity to develop, and that that entails closer cooperation founded on a commonality of inter-American interests, genuine interdependence, reciprocal benefits, and the spirit of shared responsibility which requires that the member states take account of the impact of their actions on development and democratic processes in other member states.

11. Their commitment to continuing and expanding dialogue on hemispheric security among the member states, in an integral and updated approach that takes account of the new international situation with a view to strengthening the peaceful tradition of the Hemisphere and actively contributing to international security and world peace.

12. Their conviction that it is necessary to initiate a broad discussion of the main aspects of integral development, including bilateral and multilateral financial cooperation, investment and debt, expansion and opening up of intra-regional trade, scientific and technological cooperation, and the environment. Inspired by renewed political will, such a discussion should pave the way for a realistic strategy taking advantage of the consensus reached concerning integral development.

13. Their reaffirmation that protection of the environment is fundamental to sustainable development because of its repercussions and effects on the quality of life of people today and its potential for improving the lives of future generations.
14. Their certainty that education plays a vital role in the formation of a new democratic culture of peace and non-violence and that the member states of the Organization will assign high priority to training human resources.

15. Their certainty that trade agreements and especially free trade agreements play an important role in facilitating the growth and consolidation of democracy and, in this regard, their support for the trend towards trade liberalization and expansion.

16. Their commitment to continue working against the illicit production, traffic, and consumption of drugs and related crimes, among them the smuggling of arms, ammunition, and explosives. For this to be successful there will have to be more cooperation among all the countries of the region and in particular of the wider international community in general, to the benefit of peace within each country.

17. Their appreciation of the valuable work done by the OAS in assisting national reconciliation and the consolidation of democratic institutions in some countries of the region. In this context, they note the dynamic role played by the Organization in the country hosting this assembly, where a broad support program, including the ongoing presence of the International Commission for Support and Verification, merits their support.

18. Their recognition of the importance of technology transfers for development and hence their support for the concept of a Common Market of Knowledge initiative which will allow member states of the OAS to share experiences and advances in science and technology, given the urgent need to intensify efforts to speed up the scientific and technological development of Latin America and the Caribbean, in order to boost output, broaden opportunities for progress, facilitate sustainable development, and enhance the competitiveness of the economies of the region.

19. Their conviction that an important objective for the strengthening of representative democracy in the Hemisphere is that the armed forces be subordinate to the legitimately constituted civilian authority and that they act within the bounds of the constitution and respect for human rights.

20. This declaration will be called "Declaration of Managua for the Promotion of Democracy and Development".
AG/DEC. 5 (XXIII-O/93)

DECLARATION ON THE QUESTION OF THE MALVINAS ISLANDS

(Adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT its repeated declaration that the question of the Malvinas Islands is one of enduring interest in the Hemisphere;

RECALLING its resolution AG/RES. 1049 (XX-O/90) of June 8, 1990, in which it expressed its satisfaction over the resumption of diplomatic relations between the Argentine Republic and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, and its declaration AG/DEC. 2 (XXII-O/92), in which it emphasized the excellent state of bilateral relations between the two countries; and

HAVING HEARD the statement of the head of delegation of the Argentine Republic,

WELCOMES the reaffirmation of the will of the Argentine Government to explore possible peaceful avenues for settlement of the controversy and, in particular, its positive views concerning the inhabitants of the Malvinas Islands;

RECALLS its resolution AG/RES. 928 (XVIII-O/88), adopted by consensus on November 19, 1988, requesting the Governments of the Argentine Republic and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to resume negotiations in order to find, as soon as possible, a peaceful solution to the sovereignty dispute; and

DECIDES to continue to examine the question of the Malvinas Islands at future sessions of the General Assembly until its definitive settlement.
AG/RES. 1202 (XXIII-O/93)

EXTENSION AND BROADENING OF THE CIAV/OAS MANDATE

(Resolution adopted at the sixth plenary session, held on June 9, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

BEARING IN MIND resolutions AG/RES. 675 (XIII-O/83), AG/RES. 702 (XIV-O/84), AG/RES. 770 (XV-O/85), AG/RES. 831 (XVI-O/86), AG/RES. 870 (XVII-O/87), AG/RES. 937 (XVIII-O/88), AG/RES. 993 (XIX-O/89), AG/RES. 1057 (XX-O/90), AG/RES. 1122 (XXI-O/91), and AG/RES. 1191 (XXII-O/92);

RECALLING the agreement signed by the Presidents of the countries of Central America meeting in Tela, Honduras, on August 7, 1989, to set up an International Commission for Support and Verification (CIAV) under the auspices of the Organization of American States;

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT:

The report presented by the Secretary General pertaining to Resolution AG/RES. 1122 (XXI-O/91) on the activities of CIAV/OAS;

The request dated March 23, 1993, presented to the Secretary General by the Government of Nicaragua asking the Organization to develop a broadbased program in support of Nicaragua;

RECOGNIZING the contribution of CIAV/OAS in reintegrating former combatants into civil life, incorporating them into the productive process, and bringing about national reconciliation; and

BEARING IN MIND the Declaration of Managua, which stresses that the Organization’s cooperation in strengthening democratic institutions is the cornerstone of a new hemispheric commitment,

RESOLVES:

1. To thank the Secretary General for his report on the activities of CIAV/OAS in Nicaragua and to reiterate its recognition for the valuable work he has performed.

2. To support the Secretary General in developing, in accordance with the request presented to him, a broadbased program in support of Nicaragua to include:

a. Extension for two years of the presence and activities of CIAV/OAS in Nicaragua, to include verification of the rights and guarantees of demobilized persons, expansion of
its mandate to all populations affected by the aftermath of the war, and its participation in organizations set up by the Government of Nicaragua to promote human rights and the consolidation of peace;

b. Participation of the Organization in the programs indicated by the Government of Nicaragua to strengthen the State’s democratic institutions, particularly with regard to judicial, police, and electoral matters, and to human rights and education for peace;

c. The continuation of social development projects such as self-help construction of housing and schools to facilitate the creation of stable communities that will provide productive work.

3. To request the member states and the permanent observer countries to continue providing their assistance for the recovery of Nicaragua from the consequences of the recent war and to collaborate in consolidating its institutions as referred to in the request by the Government of Nicaragua.

4. To request the Secretary General to inform the next regular session of the General Assembly on compliance with this resolution.
AG/RES. 1203 (XXIII-O/93)

OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
ON THE ANNUAL REPORTS OF THE ORGANS, AGENCIES,
AND ENTITIES OF THE ORGANIZATION

(Resolution adopted at the sixth plenary session,
held on June 9, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the observations and recommendations of the Permanent Council on the Annual Reports (AG/doc.2966/93) presented by the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (CP/CRO-353/93), the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (CP/CRO-357/93), the Inter-American Indian Institute (CP/CRO-354/93), the Secretary General (CP/CRO-361/93), the Inter-American Commission of Women (CP/CRO-356/93), the Pan American Health Organization (CP/CRO-364/93), and the Inter-American Children’s Institute (CP/CRO-352/93 rev.1); and

CONSIDERING:

That the Annual Reports complied in form and content with the provisions of resolution AG/RES. 331 (VIII-O/78);

That the Annual Reports presented by the Pan American Institute of Geography and History, the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture, the Inter-American Indian Institute, the Secretary General, and the Inter-American Children’s Institute have been submitted within the time frame established in paragraph 1 of Article 34 of the Rules of Procedure of the Permanent Council; and

That the recommendations and observations of the Permanent Council with regard to the organs, agencies, and entities of the Organization reflect matters of interest beneficial to the inter-American system,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of, endorse, and transmit the observations and recommendations of the Permanent Council on the Annual Reports of the following organs, agencies, and entities: Pan American Institute of Geography and History, Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture, Inter-American Indian Institute, Secretary General, Inter-American Commission of Women, Inter-American Children’s Institute, and Pan American Health Organization.

2. To underline the importance of the work being done by the organs, agencies, and entities of the Organization.
3. To emphasize the Secretary General's efforts to strengthen and consolidate peace and democracy in the region and to encourage the Secretary General to continue developing close ties of cooperation with other organs, agencies, and entities both in and outside the region for the coordination of activities in their respective spheres.

4. To express its support for the important work that the Inter-American Commission of Women is doing to promote the rights and well-being of women in the Americas and to take note of the progress made in the study of the preliminary draft Convention for the Elimination of Violence Against Women.

5. To compliment very especially the Office of the Director General of the Inter-American Children's Institute on the success of its efforts to raise external funding to develop and execute programs and projects and to thank governments, intergovernmental organizations, and private agencies for their valuable cooperation.

6. To extend the mandate of the Inter-American Children's Institute so that it might present the requested special report on children to the next regular session of the General Assembly.

7. To take note of the proposed amendments to the Organic Statutes of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History, to recommend that the Institute continue its publications, and to urge the American states that are not yet members of the Institute to consider the possibility of participating actively, in accordance with applicable regulations, in the work of the Institute.
AG/RES. 1204 (XXIII-O/93)

PLACE AND DATE OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

(Resolution adopted at the seventh plenary session, held on June 9, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

CONSIDERING:

Articles 47 and 48 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Assembly concerning the holding and sites of regular sessions;

That the General Assembly, in resolution AG/RES. 939 (XVIII-O/88), recommended that the first Monday in June each year be set as the opening date for the regular sessions subsequent to the nineteenth regular session; and

That the Government of Brazil, in a note dated March 15, 1993, proposed Belem as the site of the twenty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly (AG/doc.2939/93),

RESOLVES:

1. To thank the Government of Brazil for its generous offer to hold the twenty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly in Belem, capital of the State of Pará.

2. To determine that the twenty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly will start on Monday, June 6, 1994.
AG/RES. 1205 (XXIII-O/93)

INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION ON SERVING CRIMINAL SENTENCES ABROAD

(Resolution adopted at the seventh plenary session, held on June 9, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the Permanent Council report on the draft Inter-American Convention on Serving Criminal Sentences Abroad (AG/doc.2935/93 rev. 1);

CONSIDERING that, by way of resolutions AG/RES. 885 (XVII-O/87) and AG/RES. 1165 (XXII-O/92), it instructed the Permanent Council to study the draft Inter-American Convention on Serving Criminal Sentences Abroad, prepared by the Inter-American Juridical Committee;

BEARING IN MIND that one of the principles of the Organization of American States, according to Article 3.k of the OAS Charter, is to proclaim the fundamental rights of the individual without distinction as to race, nationality, creed, or sex;

INSPIRED BY THE DESIRE to cooperate to ensure improved administration of justice through social rehabilitation of the sentenced person;

PERSUADED that to attain these ends, it is advisable that the sentenced person be given an opportunity to serve the sentence in the country of which the sentenced person is a national; and

CONVINCED that the way to bring about this result is to transfer the sentenced person,

RESOLVES:

To adopt the following Inter-American Convention on Serving Criminal Sentences Abroad:
INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION ON SERVING CRIMINAL SENTENCES ABROAD

THE MEMBER STATES OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES,

CONSIDERING that, according to Article 2.e of the OAS Charter, one of the essential purposes of the Organization of American States is to "seek the solution of political, juridical and economic problems that may arise among them";

INSPIRED BY THE DESIRE to cooperate to ensure improved administration of justice through the social rehabilitation of the sentenced persons;

PERSUADED that to attain these ends, it is advisable that the sentenced person be given an opportunity to serve the sentence in the country of which the sentenced person is a national; and

CONVINCED that the way to bring about this result is to transfer the sentenced person,

RESOLVES to adopt the following Inter-American Convention on Serving Criminal Sentences Abroad:

ARTICLE I - DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this convention:

1. Sentencing state: means the state party from which the sentenced person would be transferred.

2. Receiving state: means the state party to which the sentenced person would be transferred.

3. Sentence: means the final judicial decision imposing, as a penalty for the commission of a criminal offense, imprisonment or a term of parole, probation, or other form of supervision without imprisonment. A sentence is understood to be final when no ordinary legal appeal against the conviction or sentence is pending in the sentencing state and the period for its appeal has expired.

4. Sentenced person: means the person who is to serve or is serving a sentence in the territory of a state party.

ARTICLE II - GENERAL PRINCIPLES

In accordance with the provisions of this convention:

a. a sentence imposed in one state party upon a national of another state party may be served by the sentenced person in the state of which he or she is a national; and
b. the states parties undertake to afford each other the fullest cooperation in connection with the transfer of sentenced persons.

ARTICLE III - CONDITIONS FOR THE APPLICATION OF THIS CONVENTION

This convention shall be applicable only under the following conditions:

1. The sentence must be final, as defined in Article I.3 of this convention.
2. The sentenced person must consent to the transfer, having been previously informed of the legal consequences thereof.
3. The act for which the person has been sentenced must also constitutes a crime in the receiving state. For this purpose, no account shall be taken of differences of terminology or of those that have no bearing on the nature of the offense.
4. The sentenced person must be a national of the receiving state.
5. The sentence to be served must not be the death penalty.
6. At least six months of the sentence must remain to be served at the time the request is made.
7. The administration of the sentence must not be contrary to domestic law in the receiving state.

ARTICLE IV - PROVISION OF INFORMATION

1. Each state party shall inform any sentenced person covered by the provisions of this convention as to its content.
2. The states parties shall keep the sentenced person informed as to the processing of the transfer.

ARTICLE V - PROCEDURE FOR TRANSFER

The transfer of a sentenced person from one state to another shall be subject to the following procedure:

1. The request for application of this convention may be made by the sentencing state, the receiving state, or the sentenced person. The procedures for the transfer may be initiated by the sentencing state or by the receiving state. In these cases, it is required that the sentenced person has expressed consent to the transfer.
2. The request for transfer shall be processed through the central authorities indicated pursuant to Article XI of this convention, or, in the absence thereof, through consular
or diplomatic channels. In conformity with its domestic law, each state party shall inform those authorities it considers necessary as to the content of this convention. It shall also endeavor to establish mechanisms for cooperation among the central authority and the other authorities that are to participate in the transfer of the sentenced person.

3. If the sentence was handed down by a state or province with criminal jurisdiction independent from that of the federal government, the approval of the authorities of that state or province shall be required for the application of this transfer procedure.

4. The request for transfer shall furnish pertinent information establishing that the conditions of Article III have been met.

5. Before the transfer is made, the sentencing state shall permit the receiving state to verify, if it wishes, through an official designated by the latter, that the sentenced person has given consent to the transfer in full knowledge of the legal consequences thereof.

6. In taking a decision on the transfer of a sentenced person, the states parties may consider, among other factors, the possibility of contributing to the person's social rehabilitation; the gravity of the offense; the criminal record of the sentenced person, if any; the state of health of the sentenced person; and the family, social, or other ties the sentenced person may have in the sentencing state and the receiving state.

7. The sentencing state shall provide the receiving state with a certified copy of the sentence, including information on the amount of time already served by the sentenced person and on the time off that could be credited for reasons such as work, good behavior, or pre trial detention. The receiving state may request such other information as it deems necessary.

8. Surrender of the sentenced person by the sentencing state to the receiving state shall be effected at the place agreed upon by the central authorities. The receiving state shall be responsible for custody of the sentenced person from the moment of delivery.

9. All expenses that arise in connection with the transfer of the sentenced person until that person is placed in the custody of the receiving state shall be borne by the sentencing state.

10. The receiving state shall be responsible for all expenses arising from the transfer of the sentenced person as of the moment that person is placed in the receiving state's custody.

ARTICLE VI - REFUSAL OF TRANSFER REQUEST

When a state party does not approve the transfer of a sentenced person, it shall notify the requesting state of its refusal immediately, and whenever possible and appropriate, explain its reasons for the refusal.
ARTICLE VII - RIGHTS OF THE SENTENCED PERSON WHO IS TRANSFERRED AND MANNER OF SERVING SENTENCE

1. A sentenced person who is transferred under the provisions of this convention shall not be arrested, tried, or sentenced again in the receiving state for the same offense upon which the sentence to be executed is based.

2. Except as provided in Article VIII of this convention, the sentence of a sentenced person who is transferred shall be served in accordance with the laws and procedures of the receiving state, including application of any provisions relating to reduction of time of imprisonment or of alternative service of the sentence.

   No sentence may be enforced by a receiving state in such fashion as to lengthen the sentence beyond the date on which it would expire under the terms of the sentence of the court in the sentencing state.

3. The authorities of a sentencing state may request, by way of the central authorities, reports on the status of service of the sentence of any sentenced person transferred to a receiving state in accordance with this convention.

ARTICLE VIII - REVIEW OF SENTENCE AND EFFECTS IN THE RECEIVING STATE

The sentencing state shall retain full jurisdiction for the review of sentences issued by its courts. It shall also retain the power to grant pardon, amnesty, or mercy to the sentenced person. The receiving state, upon receiving notice of any decision in this regard, must take the corresponding measures immediately.

ARTICLE IX - APPLICATION OF THE CONVENTION IN SPECIAL CASES

This Convention may also be applicable to persons subject to supervision or other measures under the laws of one of the states parties relating to youthful offenders. Consent for the transfer shall be obtained from the person legally authorized to grant it.

By agreement between the parties, this convention may be applied to persons whom the competent authority has pronounced unindictable, for purposes of treatment of such persons in the receiving state. The parties shall, in accordance with their laws, agree on the type of treatment to be accorded such individuals upon transfer. For the transfer, consent must be obtained from a person legally authorized to grant it.

ARTICLE X - TRANSIT

If the sentenced person, upon being transferred, must cross the territory of another state party to this convention, the latter shall be notified by way of transmittal of the decision granting the
transfer by the state under whose custody the transfer is to be effected. In such cases, the state of transit may or may not consent to the transit of the sentenced person through its territory.

Such notification shall not be necessary when air transport is used and no regular landing is scheduled in the territory of the state party that is to be overflown.

ARTICLE XI - CENTRAL AUTHORITY

Upon signing, ratifying, or acceding to this convention, the states parties shall notify the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States of the central authority designated to perform the functions provided herein. The General Secretariat shall distribute to the states parties to this convention a list of the designations it has received.

ARTICLE XII - RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER AGREEMENTS

None of the stipulations of this convention shall be construed to restrict other bilateral or multilateral treaties or other agreements between the parties.

FINAL CLAUSES

ARTICLE XIII

This convention is open to signature by the Member states of the Organization of American States.

ARTICLE XIV

This convention is subject to ratification. The instruments of ratification shall be deposited with the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States.

ARTICLE XV

This convention shall remain open to accession by any other state. The instruments of accession shall be deposited with the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States.

ARTICLE XVI

The States may set forth reservations to this convention at such time as they approve, sign, ratify, or accede to it, provided that the reservations are not incompatible with the object and purpose of this convention and that they relate to one or more specific provisions.
ARTICLE XVII

This convention shall enter into force for the ratifying states on the thirtieth day following the date on which the second instrument of ratification has been deposited.

For each state that ratifies the convention or accedes to it after the second instrument of ratification has been deposited, the convention shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day on which such states has deposited its instrument of ratification or accession.

ARTICLE XVIII

This convention shall remain in force indefinitely, but any state party may denounce it. The denunciation shall be registered with the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States. At the end of one year from the date of the denunciation, the convention shall cease to be in force for the denouncing state.

However, its provisions shall remain in force for the denouncing state with respect to sentenced persons transferred in accordance with this convention, until the respective sentences have been served.

Requests for transfer being processed at the time the denunciation of this convention is made will continue to be processed and executed, unless the parties agree to the contrary.

ARTICLE XIX

The original of this convention, whose texts in English, French, Portuguese, and Spanish are equally authentic, shall be deposited with the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States, which shall send a certified copy, for registry and publication, to the Secretariat of the United Nations, pursuant to Article 102 of the United Nations Charter. The General Secretariat of the Organization of American States shall notify the Member states of that Organization and the states that have acceded to the convention of the signatures affixed, the instruments of ratification, accession, or denunciation deposited, and the reservations set forth, if any.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Plenipotentiaries, being duly authorized thereto by their respective governments, have signed this Convention, which shall be called the "Inter-American Convention on Serving Criminal Sentences Abroad".

DONE IN THE CITY OF MANAGUA, NICARAGUA, the ninth of June in the year one thousand nine-hundred ninety-three
AG/RES. 1206 (XXIII-O/93)

ELECTION OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE
ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES

(Resolution adopted at the seventh plenary session,
held on June 9, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

BEARING IN MIND the inclusion of the topic "Consideration of the Timing for Election of
the Secretary General of the OAS" on the agenda of the twenty-third regular session; and

HAVING SEEN Article 113 of the Charter of the Organization of American States, which
establishes that "The Secretary General of the Organization shall be elected by the General Assembly
for a five-year term and may not be reelected more than once or succeeded by a person of the same
nationality. In the event that the office of the Secretary General becomes vacant, the Assistant
Secretary General shall assume his duties until the General Assembly shall elect a new Secretary
General for a full term,"

RESOLVES:

To convene a special session of the General Assembly to elect the Secretary General of the
OAS, to be held at the Organization's headquarters in the last week of March 1994. The exact date
will be set by the Permanent Council.
AG/RES. 1207 (XXIII-O/93)

SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON INTER-AMERICAN COOPERATION FOR DEVELOPMENT

(Resolution adopted at the eighth plenary session, held on June 10, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN:

Resolution AG/RES. 1186 (XXII-O/92) "Program of Action for Strengthening of the OAS in the Area of Technical Cooperation", which states in section I, paragraph 9, that the Permanent Council and the General Secretariat must, by properly preparing for the substantive topics to be discussed, promote the prompt holding of the special session of the General Assembly on inter-American cooperation for development in accordance with the terms agreed upon by the General Assembly; and

Resolution AG/RES. 1188 (XXII-O/92) "Cooperation in the Struggle Against Extreme Poverty"; and

CONSIDERING:

That the Declaration of Asunción affirms that cooperation for development is an indispensable instrument for the attainment of conditions for promoting the welfare and full potential of every man and woman in the Americas;

That the Santiago Commitment to Democracy and the Renewal of the Inter-American System proclaimed member states' determination to work for the intensification of the common struggle and cooperative action against extreme poverty and the reduction of the economic and social inequalities in each nation and among nations of the Hemisphere, thereby strengthening the promotion and consolidation of democracy in the region;

The amendments to the Charter of the Organization relating to the struggle against extreme poverty embodied in the Washington Protocol;

That the Protocol of Managua approved by the nineteenth special session of the General Assembly contains amendments to the Charter of the Organization for the purpose of including provisions so that technical cooperation may be provided more efficiently and effectively and may contribute to the efforts to eliminate extreme poverty;

That the United Nations will soon be holding a Conference on Social Development;
That the economic crisis that affected many states in the Hemisphere during the last few decades has had a high social cost, which was borne by the most vulnerable sectors of society;

The economic modernization and structural adjustment programs in progress in most member states for the recovery of sustained growth;

The development efforts being made in the countries of the Hemisphere to increase the social well-being of their peoples;

The importance of international cooperation to contribute to development and to the struggle against the various manifestations of poverty;

The advisability of the OAS joining in the efforts being made by the governments of the member states to promote development and fight extreme poverty; and

The offer of the Government of Mexico to host the special session of the General Assembly on inter-American cooperation for development,

RESOLVES:

1. To instruct the Permanent Council to convene a special session of the General Assembly on inter-American cooperation for development, to be held in Mexico during the first quarter of 1994, to work out plans and mechanisms of cooperation for integral development, the struggle against extreme poverty, and improvement of basic levels of social and economic well-being in the Hemisphere.

2. To instruct the Permanent Council and the Secretary General to begin at once with the proper preparation of the special session.
AG/RES. 1208 (XXIII-O/93)

OPTIONAL PROTOCOL RELATED TO THE INTER-AMERICAN
CONVENTION ON MUTUAL ASSISTANCE IN CRIMINAL MATTERS

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session,
held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,


RESOLVES:

To adopt the following Optional Protocol related to the Inter-American Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters:

OPTIONAL PROTOCOL RELATED TO THE INTER-AMERICAN
CONVENTION ON MUTUAL ASSISTANCE IN CRIMINAL MATTERS

THE MEMBER STATES OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES,

BEARING IN MIND the Inter-American Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters adopted at Nassau on May 23, 1992 (hereinafter referred to as "the Convention"),

HAVE AGREED to adopt the following Optional Protocol related to the Inter-American Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters:

ARTICLE 1

The states parties to this Protocol shall not exercise the right provided for in Article 9.f of the Convention to refuse a request for assistance solely on the ground that the request concern a tax crime in any case in which the request is from another state party to this Protocol.

ARTICLE 2

The states parties to this Protocol, when acting as a requested state under the Convention, shall not decline assistance which requires the measures referred to in Article 5 of the Convention, if the act specified in the request corresponds to a tax crime of the same nature under the laws of the requested state.
FINAL CLAUSES

ARTICLE 3

1. This Protocol shall be open for signature by member states of the Organization of American States at the OAS General Secretariat on and after January 1, 1994, and shall be subject to ratification or accession only by states parties to the Convention.

2. This Protocol shall remain open for accession by any other state that accedes to or has acceded to the Convention under the conditions set forth in this article:

3. The instruments of ratification and accession shall be deposited with the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States.

4. Each state may make reservations to this Protocol at the time of signature, ratification, or accession, provided that each reservation is not incompatible with the object and purpose of the Protocol.

5. This Protocol shall not be interpreted as affecting or restricting obligations in effect under other international, bilateral, or multilateral conventions that contain clauses governing any specific aspect of international criminal assistance, wholly or in part, or more favorable practices which those states might observe.

6. This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the date on which two states parties have deposited their instruments of ratification or accession, provided that the Convention has entered into force.

7. For each state that ratifies or accedes to the Protocol after the deposit of the second instrument of ratification or accession, the Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after deposit by such state of its instrument of ratification or accession, provided that such state is a party to the Convention.

8. If a state party has two or more territorial units in which different systems of law govern matters addressed in this Protocol, it shall state at the time of signature, ratification, or accession whether this Protocol shall apply to all of its territorial units or only to one or more of them.

9. Statements referred to in paragraph 8 of this Article may be amended by way of subsequent statements which shall expressly indicate the territorial units to which the Protocol shall apply. Such subsequent declarations shall be transmitted to the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States, and shall become effective thirty days after the date of receipt.
ARTICLE 4

This Protocol shall remain in force as long as the Convention remains in force, but any of the states parties may denounce it. The instrument of denunciation shall be deposited with the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States. After one year from the date of the deposit of the instrument of denunciation, the Protocol shall cease to be in effect for the denouncing state, but shall remain in effect for the other states parties.

ARTICLE 5

The original of this Protocol, the English, French, Portuguese, and Spanish texts of which are equally authentic, shall be deposited with the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States, which shall forward authenticated copies of the text to the United Nations Secretariat for registration.

The General Secretariat of the Organization of American States shall notify the member states of the Organization and those states that have acceded to the Convention and Protocol of the signatures and deposits of instruments of ratification, accession, and denunciation as well as reservations, if any. It shall also transmit to them the statements specified in Article 3 of this Protocol.
AGRES. 1209 (XXIII-O/93)

LEGAL OBSTACLES TO INTEGRATION

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN resolution AG/RES. 1163 (XXII-O/92) and the Report of the Permanent Council on Legal Obstacles to Integration (AG/doc.2963/93); and

CONSIDERING:

That the Santia-go Commitment to Democracy and the Renewal of the Inter-American System, adopted on June 4, 1991, at the twenty-first regular session of the General Assembly, assigns special priority to action to be undertaken by the Organization of American States to promote integration in the region;

That integration is a means of creating new economic and social circumstances to diminish the extreme poverty suffered by large sections of the population of the region and to strengthen democracy in the Hemisphere;

That the task of harmonization and legal regulation of certain fields is fundamental to furthering and facilitating integration in the Hemisphere, including any bilateral or multilateral agreements that the member states have entered into or may enter into as part of their mutual relations;

That the OAS has sufficient institutional capacity and the services required (the Inter-American Specialized Conference on Private International Law (CIDIP), the Inter-American Juridical Committee (CJI) and the General Secretariat) to assist in the integration process through studies on and proposals for the preparation of drafts of uniform legal regulations, such as, inter alia, model laws or conventions;

That within the functions assigned to it by the Charter, the Organization is conducting specific legal research aimed at assisting the major efforts of regional and subregional integration mechanisms and institutions and at cooperating with member states from a perspective that should gradually lead to uniform legal concepts;

That, generally speaking, the governments of member states have stated that the Organization should cooperate actively with integration efforts, particularly in the legal sphere, supporting in this way the work of regional and subregional institutions and mechanisms;
That, likewise, the governments consider it advisable to strengthen coordination of the integration mechanisms and institutions referred to above with the OAS' own efforts to continue the progressive development and codification of international law; and

That the governments also agree on the advisability of using the OAS' institutional capacity and services to prepare drafts of uniform legal regulations (model or uniform laws and conventions),

RESOLVES:

1. To note with satisfaction the Report of the Permanent Council on Legal Obstacles to Integration.

2. To urge the Permanent Council to continue, through the Special Group that has been created, the work entrusted to it in resolutions AG/RES. 1104 (XXI-O/91) and AG/RES. 1163 (XXII-O/92) and to report back to the General Assembly at its twenty-fourth regular session.

3. To ask those member states that have not already done so to reply as soon as possible to the Questionnaire on Legal Obstacles to Integration, as requested in resolution CP/RES. 582 (900/92).

4. To urge regional and subregional integration institutions, the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), the Latin American Economic System (SELA), the Latin American Integration Association (ALADI), the Central American Integration System (SICA), and the Caribbean Community (CARICOM), to pay special attention to the questionnaire sent to them (CP/doc.2353/93).

5. To recommend that as soon as it receives replies and comments on the abovementioned questionnaire (CP/doc.2353/93), the General Secretariat should begin organizing a meeting in the course of this year with subregional and regional integration mechanisms and institutions, as well as with other entities involved in integration, such as the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), the Latin American Economic System (SELA), the Latin American Integration Association (ALADI), the Central American Integration System (SICA), the Caribbean Community (CARICOM), and the United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), with a view to furthering active cooperation and coordination between the Organization and the abovementioned institutions, entities, and mechanisms.

6. To request the Permanent Council of the Organization, the Inter-American Juridical Committee, and the General Secretariat to continue coordinating their activities in such a way as to stimulate and deepen political and technical analysis of the legal dimensions of regional integration.

7. To ask the Secretary General to distribute this resolution as widely as possible and, in particular, to bring it to the attention of the institutions and mechanisms to which it refers.
AG/RES. 1210 (XXIII-O/93)

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INTER-AMERICAN JURIDICAL COMMITTEE

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the Permanent Council's observations and recommendations concerning the Annual Report of the Inter-American Juridical Committee (AG/doc.2965/93) and the presentation of that document by the Chairman of the Committee, Dr. Manuel A. Vieira; and

CONSIDERING:

That Article 53.1 of the Charter of the Organization of American States establishes that one of the powers of the General Assembly is to consider the observations and recommendations presented by the Permanent Council in accordance with Article 90.1 of the Charter on the reports of the organs and entities of the Organization;

That Article 52 of the OAS Charter establishes the Inter-American Juridical Committee as one of the organs of the Organization; and

That the Inter-American Juridical Committee presented its annual report to the Permanent Council, which in turn presented its observations and recommendations thereon to the General Assembly,

RESOLVES:

1. To accept the observations and recommendations made by the Permanent Council of the Organization on the Annual Report of the Inter-American Juridical Committee and to transmit them to the Committee.

2. To instruct the Permanent Council to examine the report presented by the Juridical Committee concerning the drafting of rules to govern international contractual arrangements (CJI/RES.II-18/92), as part of the work being done by this organ in connection with the Fifth Inter-American Specialized Conference on Private International Law (CIDIP-V).

3. To recommend to the Inter-American Juridical Committee that it continue its study of the topic "Securities Markets" (CJI/RES.II-19/92), bearing in mind that the proper functioning of the region's stock markets requires a well-organized and actively developing stock exchange system in each country, to increase business in each country and in the region as a whole.
4. To take note of the considerations of the Juridical Committee contained in its resolution CJI/RES.II-26/92 on the creation of an Inter-American Court on Criminal Matters, and to request that it continue its study of this topic on the basis of views put forward by member states in that regard.

5. To accept the Committee's recommendation to continue consideration of the topic "Right to Information," given its importance for member states.

6. To request that the Juridical Committee broaden its study of the legal aspects of traffic in minors to include the criminal and civil aspects, and to coordinate its work on this subject with the activities conducted in this field by other international organizations such as the Inter-American Children’s Institute and the Hague Conference on Private International Law, so that those studies may contribute to the preparatory work for CIDIP-V.

7. To stress the importance of the Course on International Law organized by the Juridical Committee in cooperation with the General Secretariat, and to request that the General Secretariat, through the Secretariat for Legal Affairs, seek new ways to fund the promotion and distribution of the course's results.

8. To recommend to the Juridical Committee that, in compliance with Article 108 of the OAS Charter and Article 32 of its Statutes, it endeavor, with the assistance of the General Secretariat, to coordinate its activities with the juridical activities of regional and worldwide international organizations, and particularly the regional and subregional integration agencies, the United Nations, the Hague Conference on Private International Law, and the International Institute for the Unification of Private Law (UNIDROIT).

9. To take note of the Juridical Committee's resolution CJI/RES.II-27/92 adopting the agenda of the next regular session.

10. To request that the General Secretariat make available to the member states the final reports presented by the rapporteurs on their assigned topics as well as any other documents related to the studies and other work of the Juridical Committee.

11. To express its appreciation to the Juridical Committee for the work accomplished during the period covered by this report and for its prompt attention to the requests of the Permanent Council, and to urge it to continue carrying out its important functions, taking into account the observations and recommendations made by the Permanent Council.

12. To urge the member states to continue to collaborate with and support the Inter-American Juridical Committee and to provide it with the resources it needs in order to attain its objectives.
AG/RES. 1211 (XXIII-O/93)

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 34 OF THE AMERICAN CONVENTION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the note from the Government of Nicaragua requesting an amendment to Article 34 of the American Convention on Human Rights signed in San José, Costa Rica, on November 22, 1969, at the Inter-American Specialized Conference on Human Rights; and

CONSIDERING:

That Article 76 of the American Convention on Human Rights enables any State Party to submit through the Secretary General to the General Assembly a proposal to amend the Convention; and

That Nicaragua is a state party to the American Convention on Human Rights,

RESOLVES:

1. To place before the states parties to the American Convention on Human Rights the following proposed amendment to Article 34 of the Convention:

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

2. To ask the Secretary General to forward to all member states of the OAS the proposed amendment to the American Convention on Human Rights set out in operative paragraph 1 of this resolution, requesting them to submit their comments thereon within a reasonable time.

3. To ask the states parties to the American Convention on Human Rights to study, in the light of the comments and observations received, the manner or mechanisms to be adopted for reviewing them.
AG/RES. 1212 (XXIII-O/93)

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session,
held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the Annual Report of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights (CP/CAJP-891/93), the observations and recommendations of the Permanent Council on that report (AG/doc.2931/93), and the presentation of the report by the President of the Court; and

CONSIDERING:

That Article 53.f of the Charter of the Organization of American States vests in the General Assembly the power to consider, inter alia, the observations and recommendations presented by the Permanent Council on the reports of the organs, agencies, and entities of the Organization;

That Article 65 of the American Convention on Human Rights provides that the Court shall submit a report on the work it has done in the preceding year for consideration by the General Assembly of the Organization of American States; and

That the Inter-American Court of Human Rights has presented its Annual Report to the Permanent Council, which has forwarded its observations and recommendations thereon to the General Assembly,

RESOLVES:


2. To accept the observations and recommendations made by the Permanent Council of the Organization on the Annual Report of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights and to transmit them to that Court.

3. To urge the member states of the OAS that have not yet done so to ratify or accede to the American Convention on Human Rights "Pact of San José, Costa Rica," and to recognize the binding jurisdiction of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.
4. To give the Inter-American Court of Human Rights the financial and functional support it needs to perform the high functions assigned to it in the American Convention on Human Rights.

5. To express its recognition to the Inter-American Court of Human Rights for the work done in the period covered by this report, and to urge it to continue to perform its important work.
AG/RES. 1213 (XXIII-O/93)

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS
AND SPECIAL REPORTS ON THE SITUATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session,
held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the Annual Report of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights
(CP/CAJP-894/93), the special reports on the situation of human rights in Haiti and Peru (CP/CAJP-
895/93 and CP/CAJP-896/93), the statements made by the Chairman of the Commission, and the
observations and recommendations made by the Permanent Council of the Organization regarding
those reports (AG/doc.2953/93 and addenda); and

CONSIDERING:

That the member states of the Organization of American States have proclaimed as one of
their fundamental principles, enshrined in their Charter, respect for the rights of the individual
without distinction as to race, nationality, creed, or sex;

That the principal function of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights is to promote
the observance and protection of human rights and to serve as a consultative body of the
Organization;

That the ideal of a free human being, unfettered by fear or poverty, can only be realized if
conditions are established which permit individuals to enjoy their economic, social, and cultural
rights, as well as their civil and political rights;

That international protection of human rights reinforces or complements the protection
afforded by the internal laws of the member states, and is based upon the attributes of the human
individual;

That one of the aims of the Organization is to promote and consolidate representative
democracy while respecting the principles of nonintervention and free self-determination;

That this year a World Conference on Human Rights will be held in Vienna, Austria;

That effective exercise of representative democracy is the best guarantee that human rights
will be fully respected; and
That the member states recognize the indissoluble link between human rights, democracy, and development,

RESOLVES:


2. To receive the recommendations and observations which the Permanent Council presented for consideration by the General Assembly (AG/doc.2953/93 and addenda), and to transmit them together with those contained in this resolution, where relevant, to the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights.

3. To take note of the comments and observations of the member state governments regarding the Annual Report and the special reports of the Commission, and of the steps the governments are taking to strengthen the promotion, observance, and protection of human rights.

4. To take note of the work done by the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights in response to the grave human rights situation in Haiti, and to reiterate the need to place the Commission in a position to fulfill completely the mandates conferred by the ad hoc Meeting of Ministers of Foreign Affairs, in accordance with the relevant paragraphs of resolutions MRE/RES. 1, 2, 3, and 4, and in particular to conduct an on-site visit to that country.


6. To urge the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights to continue with particular zeal its work in support of economic, social, and cultural rights in order to contribute in this way to the development of the member states.

7. To take note of the progress made by the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights regarding the recommendations contained in resolution AG/RES. 1044 (XX-O/90) and those conveyed in the Program of Action for Strengthening the OAS in the Area of Human Rights [AG/RES. 1112 (XXI-O/91)], and to urge it to continue carrying out such studies as prove necessary to comply with them fully, in cooperation with the specialized organizations of the OAS.

8. To invite the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights to provide cooperation and assistance, within the framework of consolidation of democratic systems and at the request of the state concerned, regarding the promotion and protection of human rights in coordination, where appropriate, with other bodies, organizations, and institutions of the inter-American system.
9. To urge member states, as appropriate, to sign, ratify, or accede to the various inter-American instruments for the protection and promotion of human rights and to accept the competence of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights to receive and examine communications from states concerning other states in accordance with Article 45, paragraph 1, of the American Convention on Human Rights, and, likewise, to recognize as binding the jurisdiction of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights.

10. To reiterate its request to the member state governments to continue granting the necessary guarantees to nongovernmental human rights organizations and their members, so that they can continue their activities in accordance with the constitutional and legal norms of each country.

11. To recall the importance of observance, promotion, and protection of the rights of women, refugees, disabled persons, minorities, victims of racial discrimination, migrant workers, and "at risk" groups, and to urge the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights to continue paying attention to these issues.

12. To emphasize the dire need to strengthen mechanisms and programs for the defense and protection of children in the Hemisphere, and to urge the member states to collaborate with the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and the Inter-American Children's Institute in this regard.

13. To express its concern about renewed condemnation of all forms of terrorism, including crimes perpetrated by irregular armed groups, which threaten the exercise of democracy and adversely affect the observance of human rights, and to recommend that the Commission continue providing information in the areas envisaged in paragraph (c) of resolution AG/RES. 1112 (XXI-O/91) under "Recommendations to the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights," taking into account, among other sources, the information provided by the member states.

14. To take note of progress made by the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, and of the comments made by the member states and various indigenous institutions, regarding the possible preparation of a legal instrument dealing with the rights of indigenous peoples and communities, and to urge that work on this should continue.

15. To reiterate that in its annual report the Commission should strike a general balance of how human rights have fared in all of the member states of the OAS, taking into account, among other sources, information supplied by member states.

16. To urge those member state governments that have not yet done so to incorporate the subject of human rights at different levels in their educational systems, in accordance with their internal laws, and to recommend that dissemination of information about the various facets of human rights should be made a priority of each state's educational policy.

17. To recommend that the Inter-American Juridical Committee continue including conferences and seminars publicizing various aspects of human rights issues in its annual courses in international law.
18. To take note of the progress made in the effective observance of human rights in the region, especially the steps being taken by member states to enhance the promotion, observance, and protection of human rights in their own states, and at the same time to express concern at the continuing existence of situations in which human rights are violated.

19. To instruct the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights to provide information concerning the possible repercussions of the results of the World Conference on Human Rights on the development and strengthening of human rights in the inter-American system.

20. To recognize and encourage the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights in its important and difficult work to foster the effective protection and promotion of human rights in the Hemisphere, and to urge the member states to continue supporting and collaborating with the Commission, endowing it with the resources it needs to be able to fulfill its objectives.
AG/RES. 1214 (XXIII-O/93)

LEGAL SITUATION OF REFUGEES, RETURNEES, AND DISPLACED PERSONS IN THE AMERICAN HEMISPHERE

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

BEARING IN MIND the continuous cooperation between the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States (OAS); and

CONSIDERING:

That through resolutions AG/RES. 774 (XV-O/85), AG/RES. 838 (XVI-O/86), AG/RES. 891 (XVII-O/87), AG/RES. 951 (XVIII-O/88), AG/RES. 1021 (XIX-O/89), AG/RES. 1039 (XX-O/90), AG/RES. 1040 (XX-O/90), AG/RES. 1103 (XXI-O/91), and AG/RES. 1170 (XXII-O/92), the General Assembly expressed its concern for those who, as refugees, returnees, or displaced persons, have received protection and humanitarian assistance throughout the Hemisphere;

That twenty-three countries in the region are parties to the 1951 Convention and/or 1967 Protocol relating to the status of refugees and that some other governments are studying the possibility of accession to these international instruments;

That, consequently, several countries in the region have amended or promulgated laws establishing mechanisms for determining refugee status and ensuring respect for the rights and obligations of persons recognized as refugees;

That some countries continue to seek effective solutions to the problems of refugees and displaced persons in a number of countries, guided by the principles embodied in the 1984 Declaration of Cartagena de Indias, which contains a legal framework for the treatment of refugees in the region;

That although democratic processes in Latin America have brought about a significant decrease in outflows of refugees in the region, there are countries where large numbers of internally displaced persons continue to require special attention and that this problem because of its magnitude and complexity calls for concerted international action on behalf of the affected persons;

That governments in the region are showing an increasing interest in refugee matters, particularly by cooperating with the High Commissioner for Refugees in the promotion and dissemination of refugee rights and human rights and stressing the importance of such activities in
preparation for emergent situations as well as in facilitating the attainment of solutions to, and prevention of, refugee problems;

That significant repatriation movements have continued to take place in 1992 not only in Central America but also in South America within the framework of tripartite commissions;

That important steps have been taken by some governments in the region to improve the legal status of refugees who have chosen not to return voluntarily to their countries of origin, by adopting measures to facilitate their local integration;

That, despite economic difficulties, some countries of the region continue to admit and accommodate a large number of refugees and asylum-seekers in their territory;

That during the present decade certain countries have taken significant steps towards the consolidation of a firm and lasting peace, thereby encouraging the return of many refugees and displaced persons to their areas of origin in safety and dignity;

That in the Central American region, Mexico, and Belize, CIREFCA has been an exemplary process which has achieved outstanding results in the area of international protection and assistance to refugees, returnees, and displaced persons as well as in promoting lasting solutions; and

That important progress has been made in the ongoing program of cooperation between the Office of the High Commissioner for Refugees and the Organization of American States which consists of a joint research project to study the legal rights of refugee children in Central America and Mexico,

RESOLVES:

1. To urge those countries in the region that have not yet done so to accede to the 1951 Convention and 1967 Protocol related to the status of refugees.

2. To recommend to those member states that have not yet done so that they adopt the necessary legislation and/or administrative regulations to implement the 1951 Convention and the 1967 Protocol concerning refugees, particularly the establishment of procedures for the determination of refugee status.

3. To express its approval of the member states' support for the principles of international protection embodied in the 1984 Declaration of Cartagena de Indias on Refugees, and to recommend to the member states that have not yet done so that they consider the possibility of strengthening their national legislation for the protection of refugees.

4. To call upon all states to take the necessary measures to ensure respect for internationally recognized principles for the protection and humanitarian treatment of refugees and
asylum-seekers and to reaffirm the need for states to cooperate with the Office of the High Commissioner in the exercise of its international protection function.

5. To emphasize the need to identify at international and regional levels the causes that give rise to the problem of refugees and internally displaced persons, as well as innovative solutions to this problem.

6. To recommend to the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees that it intensify its activities in the area of promotion, dissemination, and training in refugee law, human rights, and humanitarian law in order to sharpen awareness of protection principles in the Hemisphere, given the close link between violations of human rights and situations giving rise to refugee flows.

7. To commend those countries that have adopted measures to facilitate the local integration of refugees while reaffirming the importance of supporting the Office of the High Commissioner in its efforts to attain lasting solutions to refugee problems, notably voluntary repatriation under conditions of safety and dignity, and reintegration in the country of origin.

8. To stress the need to continue providing assistance and improving the situation of refugee women and children who because of their vulnerable situation are exposed in many instances to threats and violations of their personal security that affect their physical and legal protection as well as their psychological well-being.

9. To reassert the support of member states to the CIREFCA process, which has not only strengthened the application of emerging legal principles and criteria in the area of protection and refugee law but has also identified lasting solutions to the situation of uprooted persons in Central America as an effective contribution to the pacification process.

10. To renew its support for continued cooperation between the Organization of American States and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in matters of mutual concern, and to instruct the Secretary General to report on the progress of these activities to the General Assembly at its twenty-fourth regular session.
AG/RES. 1215 (XXIII-O/93)

SUPPORT FOR THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS AND THE STRENGTHENING OF DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS IN THE REPUBLIC OF VENEZUELA

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN resolution AG/RES. 1189 (XXII-O/92) "Support for the Democratic Government of the Republic of Venezuela"; and

REITERATING:

That one of the fundamental purposes of the Organization of American States is to promote and consolidate representative democracy with due respect for the principle of nonintervention; and

That the solidarity of the American states and the high aims which are sought through it require the political organization of those states on the basis of the effective exercise of representative democracy,

RESOLVES:

1. To congratulate the Venezuelan people on their tangible demonstration of civic maturity in dealing with the recent political situation in Venezuela, which culminated in a clear reaffirmation of the democratic and institutional process governed by applicable constitutional provisions in strict observance of the rule of law.

2. To ask the Secretary General to transmit this resolution to the Government of Venezuela.
AG/RES. 1216 (XXIII-O/93)

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

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session,
held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN:

The observations and recommendations of the Permanent Council on the Annual Report and
the Report on Programming and Budget Execution and Financial Status of the CIECC Area, 1992
(AG/doc.2966/93); and

Resolution CIECC/RES. 846/93 "Education for Civic Participation and Democracy"; and

CONSIDERING:

That the Inter-American Council for Education, Science, and Culture has been coordinating
activities on education, science, technology, and culture; and

The importance of developing regional activities in the fields of education, science,
technology, and culture,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note, endorse, and transmit to the Inter-American Council for Education, Science,
and Culture, the observations and recommendations of the Permanent Council on its annual report.

2. To urge CIECC to continue carrying out regional programs in the fields of education,
science, technology, and culture.

3. To underscore the importance of the work being done by CIECC in the field of basic civic
education.
AG/RES. 1217 (XXIII-O/93)

EDUCATION FOR CIVIC PARTICIPATION AND DEMOCRACY

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

CONSIDERING:

That resolutions CIECC-828/92 and CIECC-835/92 recognize the decisive role played by education in transmitting the principles and values which constitute the essence of society and provide the bedrock of democratic regimes; and

That the foregoing resolutions also recognize the importance of developing educational activities to disseminate democratic principles—particularly by preparing pedagogical support materials embodying those principles—and the need for teacher training and upgrading in the field of basic civic education,

RESOLVES:

1. To express its satisfaction with the work accomplished by the General Secretariat—particularly the Department of Educational Affairs, and the Unit for the Promotion of Democracy in coordination with the University of Brasilia—for the December 1992 Inter-American Seminar on Basic Civic Education: Comparative Electoral Systems and Processes and their Political Consequences, which was held in Brazil.

2. To accede to the request of the Colombian Minister of Education that OAS and UNESCO efforts be coordinated to secure widespread dissemination of the Declaration of Montevideo on Good Governance and Democratic Culture, together with the findings of the Prague Forum on Culture and Democracy, thus supporting the member states’ endeavors to strengthen culture in the interests of democracy.

3. To instruct the OAS General Secretariat to consider the possible availability of economic and technical resources to support the incorporation of education for democracy in the curricula at all the levels and modalities of the interested member states’ education systems.

4. To recommend that the OAS Department of Educational Affairs invite UNESCO and other international organizations to join forces in performing the tasks cited in this resolution.
AG/RES. 1218 (XXIII-O/93)

FINANCING AND INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF THE COMMON MARKET OF SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL KNOWLEDGE PROGRAM WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE OAS

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN:

Resolution AG/RES. 1025 (XX-O/90), which, based on a proposal of the President of Uruguay for the development of a common market of knowledge, requests CIECC to promote the establishment of a cooperation program in science and technology through multilateral agreements;

The Declaration of Asunción, of 1990, in which member states proclaim development to be the priority objective of hemispheric solidarity and give high priority to inter-American cooperation to achieve favorable conditions for the creation and circulation of scientific and technological knowledge as an essential prerequisite for real progress and sustainable development;

Resolution CIECC-807/91, which institutes a Forum for Exchanges of Scientific and Technological Knowledge and convokes a Meeting of Universities and Research Centers to examine the "competencies, purposes and mechanisms" of a common market of knowledge among member states;

Resolution AG/RES. 1142 (XXI-O/91), in which the General Assembly reaffirmed the importance that member states attach to the Forum for Exchanges of Scientific and Technological Knowledge as a permanent instrument for the promotion of such a Common Market of Knowledge;

Resolution AG/RES. 1151 (XXII-O/92), which reaffirms the member states' interest in seeing the basic structures of the Common Market of Knowledge materialize and their determination to participate fully at the technical, scientific, and entrepreneurial levels in the process of creating that Market;

Resolution CIECC-844/93, which establishes the Common Market of Scientific and Technological Knowledge as a program of the OAS member states;

The report of the meeting of governmental experts, convened within the framework of resolution CIECC-844/93 to explore the possibilities of financing and institutionalizing the Common Market of Scientific and Technological Knowledge Program;
Resolutions AG/RES. 1142 (XXI-O/91), CIECC-807/91, CIECC-832/93, and CIECC-844/93, which urge member states and permanent observers of the OAS to support and help finance activities connected with the Common Market of Scientific and Technological Knowledge Forum and Program and request the General Secretariat to take the necessary steps and, in particular, to approach the Inter-American Development Bank on this matter; and

RECALLING:

The provisions of Articles 99 and 100 of the OAS Charter on inter-American cooperation and the exchange of information in science and technology;

The Santiago Commitment to Democracy and the Renewal of the Inter-American System, adopted by the General Assembly on June 4, 1991, regarding the need to foster access to scientific and technological knowledge, to promote exchanges in these areas as instruments for integration, to increase technical cooperation, and to encourage a transfer of technology; and

BEARING IN MIND various joint declarations by Heads of State of countries of the region agreeing to grant a high degree of priority to the Common Market of Scientific and Technological Knowledge initiative; and

CONSIDERING:

That in resolution 844/93, CIECC established the Common Market of Scientific and Technological Knowledge as a program of the OAS member states and instructed the General Secretariat to formulate the features of the Framework Program and define its financial, technical, and administrative implications with a view to making its implementation viable;

That the meeting of governmental experts convened by the General Secretariat to explore the possibilities of institutionalizing and financing the Common Market of Scientific and Technological Knowledge Program lays the foundations for establishing that Program's mechanisms;

That in order to achieve the goals of the Common Market of Knowledge Program, there will have to be, at every stage, active participation by—and greater cooperation and association among—regional and subregional integration bodies, leading scientific and technological centers, institutes of higher education, research centers, productive sectors, and regional financial organizations; and

The conclusions and recommendations of the Meeting of Universities and Research Centers, held in Punta del Este, Uruguay, November 18-20, 1992, contained in document CIECC/doc. 1369/93,
RESOLVES:

1. To support the establishment of the Common Market of Scientific and Technological Knowledge as a program of the member states of the OAS in the framework of the Organization, as a multinational instrument to promote cooperation and the exchange of information in science and technology, as well as the training of human resources in these areas, along with concerted action for the implementation thereof.

2. To establish a Committee responsible for the Common Market of Scientific and Technological Knowledge Program, consisting of delegates of the highest level from the member states, preferably from national bodies responsible for science and technology.

3. To authorize the Committee, within the regular fund budget for the 1994-95 biennium approved for the Forum for the Exchange of Scientific and Technological Knowledge, to meet for the purpose of preparing the draft rules of procedure, the institutional framework, work program, and program financing data to be presented to the Permanent Council for its consideration and recommendations, all of which will be submitted to CIECC, at its next meeting.

4. To recommend that the Committee, in preparing its work program, take into account the need for, *inter alia*:

   a. an exchange of information on activities in progress and on achievements in science and technology at the regional, subregional, and national levels;

   b. the identification of topics and projects of common interest to scientific and technological development;

   c. the conduct of joint activities in pre-competitive research and technological development geared to innovation;

   d. the promotion and negotiation of additional resources for cooperation;

   e. incentives for the creation of such instruments as it may deem necessary for
5. To request the Committee to include in its report to the Permanent Council detailed projected cost estimates for the next four years for the operation of the Common Market of Scientific and Technological Knowledge Program.

6. To instruct the Committee to include in its report recommendations for objectives for the Program and a list of projected results to be achieved by the Program in its first four years.

7. To recommend that the Committee undertake efforts to explore the possibility of signing agreements among member states, and between those states and non-member countries, with the possibility of participation by private agencies, which would be aimed at implementing programs and projects financed by special funds to be administered by the parties to those agreements.

8. To establish that the duties of the Chairperson of the Committee will be, among others:
   a. to convene and hold meetings of the Committee at least once a year;
   b. to propose to the Committee members the work agenda for the meetings;
   c. to invite Committee members to submit proposals for projects and programs;
   d. to chair Committee meetings;
   e. to propose the establishment of specific working groups needed to achieve the goals of the Common Market of Scientific and Technological Knowledge Program.

9. To determine that the General Secretariat of the OAS shall serve as the Technical Secretariat of the Committee.

10. To accept the offer of Uruguay to serve as the permanent headquarters of the Committee, notwithstanding that meetings of the Committee can be held in other member states.
AG/RES. 1219 (XXIII-O/93)

ACTIVITIES OF THE INTER-AMERICAN CENTERS

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session,
held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN resolution AG/RES. 1154 (XXII-O/92) on the report of the Group of Experts
to examine the activities of the inter-American centers and their associated projects and the
recommendations presented by the Inter-American Committee on Culture and by the CEPCIECC on
the subject (CIECC/doc.1171/93); and

CONSIDERING the nature of cultural cooperation activities,

RESOLVES:

1. To recommend that evaluation of the activities performed by the Regional Cultural
Development Program in collaboration with the Inter-American Centers for Culture take into account
the specific nature of those activities and their potential contribution to attainment of the objectives
set forth in the Declaration of Asunción and the Santiago Commitment.

2. To note the advisability that the Secretariat, as well as the authorities of the Inter-
American Centers for Culture, continue their efforts to find ways to secure greater participation of
the Caribbean countries in the courses offered by the Centers.
AG/RES. 1220 (XXIII-O/93)

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON TRADE (CEC)

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session,
held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT:

The firm political will of member states to reformulate and strengthen the Special Committee on Consultation and Negotiation (CECON) and to make it a more useful and effective hemispheric forum for dialogue and cooperation on trade and trade-related matters;

That the different level of development between developed and developing member states should be duly taken into account in inter-American economic and trade relations;

The opportunity to take advantage of the current outward looking perspective and macroeconomic reorientation evident among member states, facilitating in this way the concentration of efforts with a view to developing common trade policy objectives;

The consensus that the Organization of American States is an appropriate hemispheric forum for dialogue on trade matters;

The integral development objectives set forth in Chapter VII of the OAS Charter;

The increasing importance of economic and trade issues to member states; and

CONSIDERING:

That the member states deem it useful to have an OAS forum on trade and trade-related matters that is sufficiently flexible to give timely attention to urgent issues that may arise;

That this forum should be an instrument for candid dialogue on specific trade issues between member states of the OAS;

That from regional and subregional trading arrangements that have emerged or are developing in the Hemisphere, and the outcome of the Uruguay Round, arise important questions relating to trade and economic growth;

That this renewed forum would facilitate a better analysis and understanding of bilateral, subregional, and regional trade policy initiatives; and
That the admission of Belize, Canada, and Guyana to the Organization of American States provides an impetus for enhanced cooperation in the Hemisphere,

DECLARERES:

The consensus of all the member states to redirect the commitments of resolution REM-1/70, which established the Special Committee for Consultation and Negotiation (CECON), toward a renewed commitment for dialogue and cooperation on trade and related matters, in a framework of a constructive exchange of views, through technical analysis, with a view to promoting the expansion and liberalization of hemispheric trade. To this end,

RESOLVES:

1. That in accordance with Article 7 of the CIES Statutes, the Special Committee for Consultation and Negotiation (CECON) will be henceforth denominated Special Committee on Trade (CEC).

The CEC shall be composed of representatives of governments of all the member states of the Organization of American States. The representatives will be high-level members of the governmental entities responsible for trade and related matters.

2. That the CEC shall be a hemispheric forum of high technical level for discussion of trade and related matters. It shall serve as a forum for dialogue on and analysis of trade and trade-related issues, within a framework of cooperation for the expansion and liberalization of trade, in accordance with the OAS Charter, the prevailing economic and trade conditions in the Hemisphere, as evidenced, inter alia, in the spirit of the U.S. Enterprise for the Americas Initiative, and the strenuous efforts toward trade liberalization made by the countries of the region.

3. That the CEC will have the objective of promoting trade liberalization and expansion, among the countries of the Hemisphere. To attain this objective, it may establish, in coordination with CIES, support mechanisms, in particular programs of technical cooperation with bodies responsible for subregional and regional integration.

4. That the CEC will concentrate its activities on trade matters and related issues in close coordination with other programs and activities of the Organization, with full observance of the prerogatives of subregional and regional bodies of integration. The functions of CEC will be:

   a. To follow the process of trade liberalization and expansion in the Hemisphere and make available up-to-date information thereon;

   b. To promote the exchange of views on the problems of trade and related matters in order to accelerate trade liberalization and expansion in the Hemisphere, to study and put forward suggestions for improving conditions under which trade takes place among the member states and encourage steps necessary to achieve that purpose, encompassing the
elimination and non-application of trade barriers, including those which affect or may affect the exports from the developing member states;

c. To consider means to enable beneficiary countries to make full use of the preferential programs of the developed countries of the Hemisphere and to consider proposals and suggestions for the improvement of such programs, in order to achieve their better utilization by the beneficiary member countries.

5. To establish an Advisory Group, comprised of nine senior trade-policy officials from the member states designated in accordance with the Rules of Procedure.

The Advisory Group will have as its function to fulfill the mandate that the CEC determines and assigns to it and may offer alternative solutions to trade problems for the consideration of the Committee. In addition, the Advisory Group will suggest terms of reference for the technical work of the Secretariat, in such a way that it maintains updated information on trade matters, for timely consideration by the Committee.

The Advisory Group, through its Chairman, shall submit its proposals and recommendations to the Committee in writing.

The Advisory Group will meet when deemed necessary to carry out its tasks. The Advisory Group will formulate its own Rules of Procedure, which shall be approved by the Committee.

6. To ask the Secretary General of the OAS to establish a technical unit that will be responsible, under the direction of the Advisory Group and the Special Committee on Trade, for presenting a broad range of existing material on issues relevant to proposals, problems, and policies under consideration; preparing information requested for meetings; and providing the Special Committee on Trade with general support services.

7. That the CEC will suggest measures for the coordination of CIES technical assistance to interested member states in the area of trade and other related matters.

8. That the CEC shall hold one regular meeting each year, on the date and place established at the previous regular meeting. When so required by an urgent issue or circumstance, the discussion of which cannot be postponed until the next regular meeting, CEC will schedule a special meeting in accordance with its Rules of Procedure.

9. That delegations to meetings of the CEC shall be comprised of senior officials in charge of trade policy and related matters. The meetings of the Committee will be held at the ministerial level, when so decided.

10. That the senior government officials appointed by member states to attend CEC meetings may be replaced by other representatives at the same technical level upon whom their governments have conferred the corresponding powers.
11. That in each regular meeting, the CEC will define its own work program, with the suggestions that are presented to it by the member states and with prior inputs from the Advisory Group.

12. That the CEC shall act in close cooperation and coordination with the regional and subregional organizations (ALADI, IDB, ECLAC, SELA), and with integration mechanisms (Andean Pact, CARICOM, MERCOSUR, SICA), and shall fully observe their areas of jurisdiction, so as not to affect the commitments contained in existing international agreements.

13. That the CEC Rules of Procedure are established in the Appendix to this resolution. The cases not covered by CEC Rules, nor by this resolution, will be governed by the Rules of Procedure of CIES.

14. That the CEC will formalize its decisions through resolutions, recommendations, or agreements, always with the consensus of the member countries. In the case of those proposals where there is no consensus, note will be made for the record in the report of the meeting.

15. That the General Secretariat of the OAS will provide its services to the CEC and to any subsidiary mechanisms it may establish.

16. The financial cost that this resolution implies must be reflected in the regular budget of the General Secretariat.
RULES OF PROCEDURE
FOR THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON TRADE

Nature and Purposes

Article 1. The Special Committee on Trade (CEC) is a senior intergovernment level Committee of CIES, composed of trade specialists from the member states. Its function shall be to serve as a forum for cooperation and dialogue on trade and trade-related matters among member states of the OAS, within the framework of a joint effort of cooperation for trade liberalization and expansion and keeping in mind the integral development objectives set forth in Chapter VII of the OAS Charter.

Article 2. The CEC will focus its work on the search for solutions to the problems that hinder or block the expansion and liberalization of trade among the countries of the Hemisphere.

Article 3. To achieve its objectives, the CEC may establish the subsidiary bodies it considers necessary, none of which will be of a permanent nature, and assign specific tasks to them, establishing their duration and powers. All the delegations that have registered to participate in these bodies will be able to take part in their deliberations.

Composition and Representation

Article 4. The CEC shall be comprised of senior officials with technical expertise in trade and trade-related policy areas appointed by the government of each member state. When the designated senior official is unable to attend a meeting of the Committee, the government will appoint another delegate at the same technical level and with corresponding powers.

At the CEC meetings, the delegation of each government will be comprised of a representative, in addition to those delegates and advisors that are deemed advisable.

Advisory Group

Article 5. The Advisory Group of the CEC will be comprised of nine senior trade policy officials.

Article 6. CIES will recommend the geographic representation of the members of the Advisory Group, as well as the time-frame for representation, the nature of their functions and procedures for their election, so that a sense of continuity is maintained in the development of their work.
Article 7. The Group will meet regularly, in accordance with what is deemed necessary for the fulfillment of its work, at its own initiative or at the request of the Chairman of the CEC.

Article 8. The Advisory Group will meet at the headquarters of the OAS General Secretariat or in any member state. When possible, its meetings will be presided over by the Chairman of the Committee and will have the support of the Secretariat.

Article 9. The Advisory Group will prepare its own rules of procedure, which it will submit for the consideration of the CEC.

Article 10. The estimated cost of the Advisory Group's operation must be reflected in the budget of the General Secretariat.

Officers

Article 11. At each regular annual meeting the CEC shall elect a Chairman, Vice Chairman and Rapporteur, who will hold their positions until the next regular annual meeting, when their replacements will be elected.

Article 12. The special meetings will be presided over by the officers elected at the previous regular annual meeting. In their absence, a Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Rapporteur will be elected who shall perform their duties while the meeting is in session.

Article 13. At the first meeting of each subsidiary body which is established, a Chairman and Vice Chairman will be elected to preside over the deliberations for one year. A new election of the officers will be held each year the subsidiary body remains active.

Article 14. The duties of the Chairman of the Committee are:

a. To convoke, in consultation with the member states, CEC meetings and those of its subsidiary bodies when necessary;

b. To coordinate the work of the Advisory Group with the Committee’s plan of activities;

c. To inform and consult regularly with the CEC on the fulfillment of the work entrusted to the Committee and to the Advisory Group;

d. To inform all members of the Committee when a proposal or suggested action is received from any regional or subregional organization other than an organ of the OAS;

e. In consultation with the Advisory Group, to suggest the timing and usefulness of holding a meeting of the CEC at the ministerial level;

f. To propose such measures as he deems advisable for better results in its work;
g. To present a provisional agenda for the regular and special meetings of the Committee and submit it for consideration and approval by the member states;

h. To preside over sessions, direct the discussions, and submit to the Committee for consideration all questions appearing on the order of business;

i. To recognize representatives in the order in which they request the floor;

j. To submit for approval by consensus matters under discussion that require a decision;

k. To perform such other tasks as the CEC may entrust to him.

Article 15. If the Chairman is temporarily or permanently absent, the Vice Chairman will replace him and, in his absence, the Rapporteur, with the same authority and duties. In their absence, the duties of the Chair will be exercised by the Chairman of CIES, until the next regular meeting of the Committee.

Meetings

Article 16. The CEC shall hold a regular meeting each year, if possible before the annual meeting of CIES.

The CEC may hold special meetings when important circumstances arise. The Chairman of the CEC, after consultations with the member states and the Advisory Group, may convocate such meetings.

If the matter to be considered is directly related to the country of the Chairman, the decision to call the meeting shall rest with the Vice Chairman or his substitute.

Article 17. The meetings shall be held at the OAS General Secretariat headquarters, unless a site is offered by a member state and that offer has been accepted by other member states.

Article 18. The presence of representatives from a majority of the member states constitutes a quorum in the meetings of the CEC. In the meetings of those subsidiary bodies that are established, the presence of a majority of the delegations registered constitutes a quorum.

Article 19. Member states may present requests that technical studies be undertaken by the Secretariat for the purpose of analyzing trade and trade-related issues which fall within the competence of the CEC. Member states will facilitate information regarding the issue to be addressed by the study.
Observers

Article 20. The Chairmen of CIES and CEPCIES, the Secretary General of the OAS or his designated representative, and the Executive Secretary of CIES may participate in the meetings of the Committee and its subsidiary bodies, without a right to vote. The permanent observer countries to the OAS, IDB, ECLAC, SELA and other regional and subregional integration organizations—ALADI, CARICOM, MERCOSUR, Andean Pact, SICA—may also be invited to the meetings of the Committee as observers. Other international or regional governmental agencies that have shown a specific interest in the matters to be dealt with during the meeting may also be invited as observers. These observers may offer statements, in writing, containing the points of view of the agencies they represent and may make oral presentations, at the invitation of the Chairman of the meeting.

Decisions and Voting

Article 21. The CEC will make its decisions through resolutions, recommendations, or agreements, always with the consensus of its member states. When there is no consensus, the report of the meeting will record the proposals presented and the points of disagreement.

a. In the CEC and its subsidiary bodies, only procedural questions will be put to a vote. On such questions, each member state shall be entitled to one vote and decisions shall be taken by the vote of the majority of the required quorum.

b. Voting in both the Committee and its subsidiary bodies shall be by roll-call vote only when so requested by a delegation.

Official Languages

Article 22. The official languages of the CEC are English, French, Portuguese, and Spanish. Working documents shall be presented in all the official languages.

Documents

Article 23. The CEC shall submit annual reports to CIES on the progress of its activities and those of its subsidiary bodies. It may also submit reports to CIES on specific questions.

Article 24. The subsidiary bodies shall submit to the CEC reports containing the results of their consultations, taking specific note of those cases in which consensus has not been reached.

Secretariat

Article 25. The General Secretariat shall provide the services required for the functioning of the Committee and its subsidiary bodies, maintaining a close working relationship with their respective officers.
The duties of the Secretariat are:

a. To issue the convocations of the meetings, along with the provisional agenda prepared under the direction of the Chairman, in consultation with the members of the CEC or of its subsidiary bodies, as the case may be;

b. To carry out trade policy analysis and technical studies in accordance with the guidelines of the Advisory Group, as approved by the CEC;

c. To prepare those reports and documents that are requested of it by the CEC or its subsidiary bodies and carry out the activities and work entrusted to it by them;

d. To provide support services to the Chairman of the CEC in matters deemed to be of importance by the representatives of the CEC member states;

e. To establish and maintain close working relationships with the IDB, SELA, ECLAC and regional and subregional integration entities in accordance with the guidelines established in Resolution AG/RES. 1220 (XXIII-O/93);

f. To coordinate the secretarial support services provided to the CEC and its subsidiary bodies and distribute, without delay, to all representatives, the documents that are presented by the governments or those documents considered relevant by the member states;

g. To prepare and disseminate information of relevance to the member states of the CEC in a timely manner;

h. To provide general support services to the CEC, the Advisory Group, and the subsidiary bodies.

General Rules of Order

Article 26. The general rules of order contained in the Rules of Procedure of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council (CIES) will be applied in the sessions of the CEC and its subsidiary bodies. Those cases not provided for in any of the rules will be resolved by the Committee itself or by its subsidiary bodies.
AG/RES. 1221 (XXIII-O/93)

START OF ACTIVITIES OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON TRADE (CEC)

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

CONSIDERING:

That a Special Committee on Trade (CEC) has been established, through resolution AG/RES. 1220 (XXIII-O/93), as a hemispheric forum of high political and technical level specializing in trade matters and related issues; and

That implementation by the Special Committee of the mandates in that resolution requires careful and prompt preparation,

RESOLVES:

1. To request the Secretary General to call the first meeting of CEC in consultation with the member states, so that it may adopt the decisions needed for its operation.

2. To request CIES to provide the support required for execution of this mandate.
AG/RES. 1222 (XXIII-O/93)

ENTERPRISE FOR THE AMERICAS INITIATIVE

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session,
held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN resolution CIES/RES. 471 (XXVII-O/93) "CIES Support for the Enterprise for the Americas Initiative"; and

BEARING IN MIND the contents of resolution AG/RES. 1156 (XXII-O/92) "Support for the Enterprise for the Americas Initiative;"

RESOLVES:

1. To rescind items 1 and 2 of resolution AG/RES. 1156 (XXII-O/92) "Support for the Enterprise for the Americas Initiative."

2. To request CIES to provide all necessary support to the Permanent Council’s continued work on the subject.

3. To instruct the new Special Committee on Trade (CEC) to heed item 3 of resolution AG/RES. 1156.
AG/RES. 1223 (XXIII-O/93)

INTER-AMERICAN CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS OF LABOR

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN resolution CIES/RES. 472 (XXVII-O/93) "Inter-American Conference of Ministers of Labor,"

RESOLVES:

1. To request CEPCIES to study the resolutions contained in the Final Report of the Ninth Inter-American Conference of Ministers of Labor and to advise the Permanent Council of those recommendations it deems pertinent.

2. To authorize the Permanent Council to take the appropriate decisions with regard to the recommendations submitted to it by CEPCIES.
AG/RES. 1224 (XXIII-O/93)

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INTER-AMERICAN TELECOMMUNICATION COMMISSION (CITEL) AND APPROVAL OF ITS STATUTE

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN resolution CIES/RES. 466 (XXVII-O/93), resolution CITEL/RES. 157 (II/E-93), document CIES/4642, Final Report of the Second Special Meeting of the Inter-American Telecommunications Conference (CITEL), and document CIES/4643, Report of the Chairman of the Permanent Executive Committee of CITEL (COM/CITEL) to CIES; and

CONSIDERING that Article 52 of the OAS Charter states that there may be established, in addition to those provided for in the Charter and in accordance with the provisions thereof, such subsidiary organs, agencies, and other entities as are considered necessary,

RESOLVES:

1. To establish the Inter-American Telecommunication Commission (CITEL) to replace the current Inter-American Telecommunications Conference.

2. To approve CITEL’s Statute which is attached to this resolution.

3. That the conversion of CITEL from an Inter-American Conference to an Inter-American Commission will have a transition period that will be considered to have concluded upon convocation of the Assembly of the new CITEL, formation of the advisory committees, and election of the corresponding officers. In order to ensure their functioning during the transition period, COM/CITEL and the Permanent Technical Committees, which were elected in 1991, will continue to serve until the first regular meeting of the Assembly. The date of the first regular meeting of the CITEL Assembly will be set by COM/CITEL at its next meeting.

4. That until the Executive Secretary envisaged by Article 26 of the Statute is appointed, the functions referred to in that article shall be performed by the current Permanent Secretary of CITEL or by the person the Secretary General designates for that task.
STATUTE OF THE
INTER-AMERICAN TELECOMMUNICATION COMMISSION

CHAPTER ONE
ORGANIZATION, FUNCTIONS, AND MEMBERSHIP

Article 1

Nature

The Inter-American Telecommunication Commission (CITEL) is an entity of the Organization of American States (hereinafter "the Organization"), established by the General Assembly in accordance with Article 52 of the Charter of the Organization.

CITEL shall enjoy technical autonomy in the performance of its functions, within the limits of the Charter of the Organization, this Statute, and the mandates of the General Assembly of the Organization.

Article 2

Structure

CITEL shall achieve its objectives through the following:

a. The CITEL Assembly;
b. The Permanent Executive Committee (COM/CITEL);
c. The Permanent Consultative Committees; and
d. The Secretariat.

Article 3

Objectives and Functions

The objectives and functions of CITEL are:

Objectives

a. To facilitate and promote, by all means available to it, the continuing development of telecommunications in this hemisphere;
b. To promote and foster the existence of appropriate telecommunications for the process of regional development;
c. To organize and sponsor the periodic holding of meetings of technicians and experts to study planning, financing, construction, operation, standardization, technical assistance, maintenance, and other matters related to the use and operation of telecommunications in the Americas;

d. To promote the adoption of uniform technical standards and criteria for the operation of the systems, in order to obtain maximum benefit from the available facilities for each individual country and for the region as a whole within the framework of global standardization of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU);

e. To promote and study technical assistance, in agreement with the governments of the countries concerned;

f. To foster the improvement and harmonization of administrative, financial, and operational procedures for the planning, installation, improvement, maintenance, and operation of the telecommunication networks of the member states of CITEL, within the framework of the recommendations of the ITU;

g. To recommend studies and promote the adoption of official agreements between the governments of the member states of the Organization, in connection with the planning, installation, maintenance, and operation of telecommunications systems in the Hemisphere.

Functions

a. To sponsor or undertake studies that will permit the orderly development of telecommunication networks, making use of the most suitable and efficient systems available;

b. To maintain continuous contact with the various governmental and non-governmental international organizations in the field of telecommunications, and to promote the coordination of their activities with those of the member states of the Organization;

c. To request the cooperation of world or regional governmental organizations, especially the ITU and the Caribbean Telecommunication Union, and of international agencies concerned with telecommunications that enjoy consultative status with the United Nations or maintain cooperative relations with the Organization;

d. To collect and disseminate among the member states of CITEL information pertaining to accomplishment of its objectives, as well as any other information that may be of interest;

e. To serve as the principal advisory body of the Organization in all matters related to telecommunications in the Americas;
f. To study the legal aspects of telecommunications, taking into account existing inter-American instruments, with a view to the preparation of new draft conventions in this field;

g. To study legal problems related to direct transmission via satellite, in order to prepare draft inter-American conventions or agreements on this subject and to formulate a common position for the member states of CITEL to take in this connection when dealing with the pertinent international agencies;

h. To prepare studies on the harmonization and unification of the legislation of the member states of CITEL on matters relating to telecommunications;

i. To make recommendations in the field of telecommunications to the governments of the member states of CITEL, taking into account those made by the ITU;

j. To prepare and coordinate research in the field of telecommunications and electronics;

k. To consider any other matters relating to inter-American cooperation in the field of telecommunications as requested by the General Assembly, or the Councils of the Organization.

Article 4

Membership

The following states can be members of CITEL:

a. All the member states of the Organization;

b. Other American states which are not members of the Organization, whose request for membership in CITEL is favorably decided upon by the CITEL Assembly and the General Assembly of the Organization, because of the special interest shown by those governments in cooperating in the attainment of the purpose and objectives of CITEL.
CHAPTER TWO

CITEL ASSEMBLY

Article 5

Purpose and Functions

Purpose

To serve as an inter-American forum in which the highest telecommunications authorities of the CITEL member states will share opinions and experiences and make appropriate decisions to direct their activities towards achieving its assigned objectives and mandates.

Functions

a. Establishing the policies for achieving the objectives and functions set out in Article 3 of this Statute;

b. Electing the members of COM/CITEL;

c. Establishing the Permanent Consultative Committees;

d. Approving the request for membership in CITEL of American states that are not members of the Organization, subject to ratification by the General Assembly of the Organization;

e. Proposing amendments to this Statute for approval by the General Assembly of the Organization;

f. Approving the CITEL Regulations.

Article 6

Place and Frequency of Meetings

CITEL shall hold a regular meeting of the CITEL Assembly every four years, in the place determined by the CITEL Assembly in accordance with the principle of rotation set forth in the Regulations.

The CITEL Assembly may hold special meetings as provided in the Regulations.
Article 7

Participation in the CITEL Assembly

Delegations

Each member state is entitled to send a delegation to the CITEL Assembly. The delegation of each member state may include a head of delegation, an alternate head of delegation, and such delegates and advisors as that state may accredit to the CITEL Assembly.

Secretary General of the Organization

The Secretary General of the Organization, or his representative, may participate with voice but without vote in the deliberations of the CITEL Assembly, both in the plenary sessions and in the committees and subcommittees.

Observers

The following may be represented by observers at a meeting of the CITEL Assembly with the right to voice but without vote:

a. Permanent Observers to the Organization;
b. Subject to COM/CITEL's approval, those American states that are not members of the Organization and have asked to participate in the meeting;
c. Subject to COM/CITEL's approval, those non-American states that are members of the United Nations or its specialized agencies and have asked to participate in the meeting;
d. Inter-American specialized organizations and entities of the Organization, and inter-American intergovernmental regional organizations;
e. The United Nations and its specialized agencies;
f. International and national organizations that are parties to agreements or arrangements establishing relations of cooperation with the Organization, with its organs, organizations, or agencies, when such agreements or arrangements provide for participation of observers or in special cases when COM/CITEL so decides;
g. Subject to COM/CITEL's approval, those international, regional, subregional, and national agencies and organizations that are involved in telecommunications activities in the region and have asked to participate in the meeting.
Guests

Subject to COM/CITEL’s approval and in consultation with the government of the host country, other persons or institutions not covered in this article as may be deemed advisable may attend the CITEL Assembly as special guests, as defined in the Regulations.

Article 8

Officers of the CITEL Assembly

There shall be a Chairman and two Vice Chairmen of the CITEL Assembly, elected at the first plenary session by an absolute majority of the member states represented at the Assembly. Before the election of the Chairman of the CITEL Assembly, the Chairman of COM/CITEL shall serve as the provisional Chairman.

Article 9

Agenda

COM/CITEL shall prepare the preliminary agenda for each CITEL Assembly meeting and shall submit it to the member states for consideration, at least three months in advance of the opening of the CITEL Assembly meeting. The member states shall have thirty consecutive days to present their observations on the draft agenda to the Chairman of COM/CITEL. On the basis of these observations, COM/CITEL shall draw up the final agenda.

The agenda so approved may be amended or otherwise modified only during the meeting of the CITEL Assembly by a vote of two-thirds of the participating member states.

Article 10

Sessions and Meetings

Each meeting of the CITEL Assembly shall consist of such plenary sessions as are required to complete the agenda for the meeting and the sessions of the Committees of the CITEL Assembly as provided under this Statute.

Article 11

Committees

There shall be a Steering Committee, a Credentials Committee, and a Style Committee, as further provided in the Regulations.
The CITEL Assembly may establish other committees, subcommittees, and working groups when required.

**Article 12**

**Quorum**

For plenary sessions, the presence of more than half of the member states shall constitute a quorum.

For the committees, subcommittees, and working groups of the CITEL Assembly, the presence of more than half of the members of the body concerned shall constitute a quorum.

**Article 13**

**Voting**

The decisions of the CITEL Assembly shall be adopted at the plenary sessions. Each delegation shall have the right to one vote. The right to vote does not imply an obligation to vote.

In the absence of consensus in the deliberations, the decisions of the CITEL Assembly shall be adopted by the vote of an absolute majority of the member states participating, except in those cases where a two-thirds vote of the participating member states is expressly required.

In the committees, subcommittees, and working groups, decisions shall be adopted by a simple majority.

For purposes of this Statute, the term "absolute majority" means more than half of the votes of the member states participating in a meeting of the CITEL Assembly. A simple majority means more than half of those present and voting in any given session of a committee, subcommittee, or working group.
CHAPTER THREE

THE PERMANENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE (COM/CITEL)

Article 14

Membership

The Permanent Executive Committee (COM/CITEL) is the executive organ of CITEL. It is composed of representatives of eleven member states of CITEL elected at the CITEL Assembly, who shall serve until the next regular meeting of the Assembly. The principles of rotation and of an equitable geographic representation shall be observed, insofar as possible, in the election of nine of these member states. One of the two remaining members shall be the representative of the member state hosting the meeting of the CITEL Assembly in which the election takes place. The other shall be the representative of the member state in whose territory the next regular meeting of the CITEL Assembly will be held.

Article 15

Installation Session and Officers

COM/CITEL shall be installed by the Chairman of the CITEL Assembly before the closing of the meeting at which the member states that are to serve on COM/CITEL are elected.

At the installation session of COM/CITEL, the Chairman of the CITEL Assembly shall be appointed Chairman of COM/CITEL. The representative of the member state that has offered to host the next regular meeting of the CITEL Assembly shall become the Vice Chairman of COM/CITEL.

Article 16

Chairman of COM/CITEL

The COM/CITEL Chairman shall have the following specific responsibilities:

a. To preside over the meetings of the COM/CITEL;

b. To preside initially at the CITEL Assemblies;

c. To represent CITEL before other organs of the Organization, the governmental telecommunications entities of the CITEL members, and other organizations that participate in telecommunications development activities in the Americas;

d. To supervise and coordinate the fulfillment of the responsibilities of COM/CITEL, especially during the interim between regular meetings;
e. To direct and coordinate the meetings and forums that COM/CITEL may conduct with other entities of the regional telecommunications sector or with other international entities.

**Article 17**

**Functions of COM/CITEL**

The functions of COM/CITEL are the following:

a. To carry out the decisions of the CITEL Assembly, taking into consideration the recommendations of the General Assembly of the Organization and of the pertinent Councils with respect to telecommunications;

b. To carry out and enforce the objectives of Article 3;

c. To set the date for the regular meeting of the CITEL Assembly, the date and place for the special meetings of the CITEL Assembly and make amendments as necessary;

d. To prepare the draft agendas for the regular and special meetings of the CITEL Assembly and to submit them to the governments of the member states of CITEL for consideration, through the Executive Secretary, pursuant to Article 9;

e. To propose to the CITEL Assembly any amendments it may consider necessary to introduce to this Statute and the Regulations;

f. To establish a work program for the Secretariat and for the office of the Chairman of COM/CITEL for implementation of the decisions of the CITEL Assembly;

g. To adopt any urgent measures that cannot be deferred until the next meeting of the CITEL Assembly, which shall remain in force until the CITEL Assembly can consider them;

h. Through its Chairman or some other designated member of COM/CITEL, to represent CITEL at world, regional, or national meetings or conferences on telecommunications or related activities;

i. With the cooperation of the Secretariat, to prepare studies, drafts of inter-American conventions and treaties, and any other documents relating to telecommunications in the Hemisphere;

j. Through the Secretary General and the appropriate Council of the Organization, to present to the General Assembly an annual report on the activities of CITEL;
k. To establish such technical committees and working groups as it may consider necessary, and to define their work program;

l. Within the framework of CITEL’s objectives, to plan and coordinate inter-American activities in the area of telecommunications;

m. To review and approve a work program and a biennial proposed budget for CITEL in pursuance of the provisions of Article 117.c of the Charter of the Organization, ensuring the strictest possible economy but mindful of the obligation upon CITEL to achieve satisfactory results from the work programs undertaken.

Article 18

Meetings and Headquarters of COM/CITEL

COM/CITEL shall meet at least once a year, in the country represented by its Chairman, in another country, or at the headquarters of the General Secretariat of the Organization, as the Committee may decide at its preceding meeting.

Any member state that is not a member of COM/CITEL may participate in the meetings of COM/CITEL, with voice but without vote. The Chairmen of the Permanent Consultative Committees whose countries are not members of COM/CITEL shall be invited to participate in COM/CITEL with voice but without vote.

In consultation with the COM/CITEL members, the Chairman may invite representatives of specialized agencies or experts in matters to be considered at the meetings to advise as required.

The member state elected to preside over COM/CITEL shall organize, at its expense and under the exclusive responsibility of the Chairman, an office in accordance with the Regulations.

Article 19

Quorum

More than half the members of COM/CITEL shall constitute quorum for a COM/CITEL meeting.

Article 20

Voting

In the deliberations of COM/CITEL, each member, in the absence of consensus, shall have one vote, and decisions of COM/CITEL shall be adopted by the vote of an absolute majority of its
members. However, on questions of procedure, decisions shall be taken by a simple majority of those present and voting. In the latter case, abstentions shall not be counted as votes cast.

Article 21

Travel Expenses

Travel expenses of the Chairman of COM/CITEL or some other member acting on his behalf, to attend a meeting of an international agency as the representative of CITEL, shall be defrayed by the Organization as provided in the Organization’s program-budget.

Travel expenses incurred by the members of COM/CITEL to attend its meetings or those of the CITEL Assembly shall be defrayed by the respective member states they represent.

CHAPTER FOUR

PERMANENT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEES

Article 22

Purpose

The purpose of Permanent Consultative Committees is to provide advice to all those entities that constitute the regional telecommunications sector, in matters relating to their respective areas of competence.

Article 23

Structure of the Permanent Consultative Committees

Organization

The CITEL Assembly shall organize the Permanent Consultative Committees it considers necessary to attain the objectives defined in Article 3 and shall elect the host countries of the Permanent Consultative Committees.

Officers

The representative appointed by the host country shall be the corresponding Chairman of the Permanent Consultative Committee and shall have the duties set forth in the Regulations. Each Permanent Consultative Committee may establish a position of Vice Chairman.
The member state elected to preside over a Permanent Consultative Committee shall organize, at its expense and under the exclusive responsibility of the Chairman, an office in accordance with the Regulations.

Meetings

The Permanent Consultative Committees shall meet at least once a year at a time and place determined by its respective Chairman. The Vice Chairman shall be responsible for assisting the Chairman in his duties and may host an additional meeting of the Consultative Committee if deemed necessary.

Each Consultative Committee may set up working groups which shall submit reports concerning their activities to the Consultative Committee.

Papers, studies, decisions, and draft resolutions of the Permanent Consultative Committees that require consideration of the CITEL Assembly shall be submitted to COM/CITEL at least four months before a meeting of the CITEL Assembly takes place.

In the absence of consensus in the deliberations of the Permanent Consultative Committees, draft resolutions shall be adopted in accordance with the voting procedures set forth in the Regulations. The approval will always require the favorable vote of at least one third of the member states.

Article 24

Participation in the Permanent Consultative Committees: Members, Associate Members, and Observers

Members

Each CITEL member state may appoint a representative to each Permanent Consultative Committee. The representative shall be a specialist in telecommunications. A member state may remove or replace its representative simply by notifying the Executive Secretary of CITEL of its decision to do so.

Associate Members

Any recognized operating agency or scientific or industrial organization, with the approval of the corresponding member state of CITEL, may become an associate member of a Permanent Consultative Committee. The member state shall notify the Chairman of COM/CITEL in writing of the names of the agencies and organizations it has approved. An agency or organization shall cease to be an associate member in the event that approval is withdrawn by the member state.
Associate members of a Permanent Consultative Committee may fully participate in all the activities of that Permanent Consultative Committee, with voice but without vote. They may present technical papers and receive the documents of the Committee to which they pertain.

When authorized in writing by a duly designated governmental representative of a member state which is a member of a Permanent Consultative Committee, an associate member may in that Permanent Consultative Committee and on behalf of and in representation of that state: (1) vote, (2) submit papers, and (3) propose to include topics on the Permanent Consultative Committee's agenda.

Observers

The terms and manner of participation of observers are dealt with in the Regulations.

CHAPTER FIVE

THE SECRETARIAT

Article 25

Purposes and Functions

The Secretariat is the central and permanent administrative organ of CITEL. It shall coordinate the administrative services required for implementing the decisions of the CITEL Assembly, COM/CITEL, and the Permanent Consultative Committees, and it shall perform such other functions as are assigned by those organs.

Article 26

The Executive Secretary of CITEL

In consultation with COM/CITEL, the Secretary General of the Organization shall appoint the Executive Secretary of CITEL, whose functions shall include:

a. Performance of technical and administrative duties entrusted to the Secretariat, and coordination of the administrative services provided by the Secretariat;

b. Preparation and submission to COM/CITEL and to the Secretary General of the Organization of the proposed program-budget of CITEL, which should include travel expenses and salaries of the personnel assigned to the Secretariat;

c. Representation of the Secretary General of the Organization, when so authorized, with voice but without vote, in the meetings of the CITEL Assembly, COM/CITEL, and the Permanent Consultative Committees;
d. Assistance in the coordination and implementation of the work plans of the Permanent Consultative Committees and the working groups of COM/CITEL;

e. Preparations for holding the regular and special meetings of the CITEL Assembly.

The Executive Secretary of CITEL shall perform those functions in accordance with the General Standards Governing the Operation of the General Secretariat of the Organization ("General Standards") and other rules and regulations that apply to the General Secretariat and its personnel.

Article 27

Secretariat Services

The General Secretariat of the Organization shall provide secretariat services to CITEL in accordance with the allocation of funds in the program-budget of the Organization, and the Secretary General shall appoint the technical and administrative personnel to provide those services in accordance with the General Standards and such other rules and regulations governing the operations of the General Secretariat of the Organization.

CHAPTER SIX

EXPENSES AND FUNDS OF CITEL

Article 28

CITEL Funding Sources

The resources for CITEL operations will come from:

a. The Regular Fund of the Organization; and

b. Specific funds.

Each member state of CITEL shall bear the expenses of its representatives.

Article 29

Specific Funds

The General Secretariat shall establish the following specific funds, pursuant to Article 87 of the General Standards.
a. A supplementary fund for the activities of the Permanent Consultative Committees to be funded by voluntary contributions from CITEL members and by fees from associate members, as determined by the CITEL Regulations;

b. A supplementary fund for development activities within CITEL’s work program to be funded by specific gifts, donations, and contributions;

c. A supplementary fund for support of general operations to be funded by voluntary contributions of CITEL members.

Accounting for these specific funds shall be carried out in accordance with the General Standards and financial rules and regulations of the Organization.

CHAPTER SEVEN

OFFICIAL AND WORKING LANGUAGES

Article 30

Official Languages

English, French, Portuguese, and Spanish are the official languages of CITEL.

Article 31

Working Languages

Spanish and English shall be the working languages. For the regular and special meetings of the CITEL Assembly, the Executive Secretary shall inquire of the CITEL members concerned if simultaneous interpretation into French and Portuguese will be necessary. Working documents of CITEL shall be made available in Spanish and English. Delegations may present their proposals to the CITEL Assembly in any of the official languages of CITEL.

Article 32

Documents

The draft resolutions, recommendations, and decisions, and any amendments thereto, as well as the decisions of the CITEL Assembly, shall be published in the official languages. The CITEL annual report and the reports of the CITEL Assembly meetings shall be published in the official languages. Other documents emanating from CITEL shall be published in the working languages.
CHAPTER EIGHT

GENERAL PROVISIONS REGARDING THE
STATUTE AND RULES OF PROCEDURE

Article 33

Governing Norms

CITEL shall be governed by the present Statute, by its Regulations, and by the resolutions of the General Assembly of the Organization.

Article 34

Amendment

The present Statute, approved by the General Assembly of the Organization, may be amended only by the General Assembly, at its own initiative or upon CITEL’s request as provided under CITEL’s Regulations.

Article 35

CITEL Rules of Procedure

CITEL shall adopt its Regulations in accordance with this Statute and shall submit them to the General Assembly of the Organization with its first annual report.

Article 36

Entry into Force

The present Statute shall enter into force on the date of its approval by the General Assembly.
AG/RES. 1225 (XXIII-O/93)

USE OF CIES-AREA APPROPRIATIONS
NOT OBLIGATED AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1993

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session,
held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN operative paragraph III.A.7 of resolution AG/RES. 1137 (XXI-O/91)
"Program-Budget of the Organization 1992-93 Biennium, 1992 Quotas and Pledges to the Voluntary
Funds," concerning the use of appropriations not obligated as of December 31, 1991; and

CONSIDERING that the technical cooperation activities of the economic and social area that
are financed with funds from the 1992-93 SDAF budget need to continue,

RESOLVES:

To authorize re-appropriation of the unobligated SDAF appropriations from the 1990-91 and
1992-93 biennia, so that they can be earmarked to complete and reinforce execution of technical
cooperation projects programmed during the 1994-95 biennium.
AG/RES. 1226 (XXIII-O/93)

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INTER-AMERICAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the content of document AG/doc.2966/93, Observations and Recommendations of the Permanent Council on the Reports to be Presented by the Organs, Agencies, and Entities regarding the Annual Report of the Inter-American Economic and Social Council (CIES),

RESOLVES:

To take note of said report.
AG/RES. 1227 (XXIII-O/93)

OAS SUPPORT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL MEMBER STATES OF THE CARIBBEAN

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the report of the XXVII Annual Meeting of CIES and the report of the XXIV Annual Meeting of CIECC; and

CONSIDERING:

That the small states of the Caribbean are disadvantaged by diverse critical factors unique to small states and are particularly vulnerable to, and adversely affected by, international economic factors and that their situation should be kept under continuous review;

That given the existing situation, it is important in the delivery of OAS technical cooperation to achieve greater coordination within the Organization and with other agencies within the subregion;

That the OAS has held several Policy, Programming and Coordination Meetings for the Caribbean;

RECOGNIZING:

The effectiveness of these meetings in enhancing the delivery of technical cooperation to the subregion and the high priority which the member states of the Caribbean subregion attach to these meetings as a mechanism for promoting multinationality and horizontal cooperation;

That the OAS has played a major role in assisting Caribbean member states in achieving their development goals;

BEARING IN MIND that the Working Group on the Strengthening of the OAS was mandated to review the mechanism for the delivery of technical cooperation;

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT that a number of member states of the OAS are small-island states and their sustainable development is of importance to the membership of the Organization,
RESOLVES:

1. To instruct CEPCIES and CEPCIECC to provide from the FEMCIECC and SDAF subfunds the resources needed to carry out the recommendations set out in CIES/doc.4640 and CIECC/doc.1381/93, adopted by CIES/RES. 469 (XXVII-O/93) and CIECC/RES. 847/93.

2. To urge the General Secretariat of the OAS to participate in the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States to be held in Barbados in 1994 and to report on the results of its participation to the Permanent Council through the Joint CIES/CIECC Working Group on the Development Problems of the Small States of the Caribbean Subregion and Suriname.
AG/RES. 1228 (XXIII-O/93)

SUPPORT FOR THE ACTIVITIES COMMEMORATING THE QUINCENTENNIAL OF THE DISCOVERY OF AMERICA: ENCOUNTER OF TWO WORLDS

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the Report on Compliance with Resolution AG/RES. 850 (XVI-O/86) "Support for the Activities Commemorating the Quincentennial of the Discovery of America: Encounter of Two Worlds" (AG/doc.2936/93) submitted by the Secretary General and the Progress Report of the Permanent Council on the Implementation of the Agreement Between the General Secretariat and the Inter-American Quincentennial Fund (AG/doc.2955/93); and

CONSIDERING:

That in compliance with resolution AG/RES. 850 (XVI-O/86) and with the Agreement Between the General Secretariat and the Inter-American Quincentennial Fund, these are the last and final reports submitted to the General Assembly on the Commemoration of the Quincentennial,

RESOLVES:


2. To thank the Secretary General for his report.

3. To recognize the efforts made by the General Secretariat to find external sources of funding for the activities of the Quincentennial Commemoration.
AG/RES. 1229 (XXIII-O/93)

FINAL REPORT OF THE PERMANENT COUNCIL ON OAS ACTIVITIES FOR THE QUINCENTENNIAL COMMEMORATION OF THE DISCOVERY OF AMERICA: ENCOUNTER OF TWO WORLDS

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the Final Report of the Permanent Council presented by the Special Committee on OAS Activities for the Quincentennial Commemoration of the Discovery of America: Encounter of Two Worlds, 1982-93 (CP/doc.2358/93 rev. 1); and

CONSIDERING:

That the General Assembly, through resolution AG/RES. 655 (XIII-O/83), created the Ad Hoc Committee of the Permanent Council and charged it with organizing the First Inter-American Preparatory Conference for the Quincentennial Commemoration of the Discovery of America in order to consider the proposals from the member states for inter-American commemorative activities;

That, through resolution AG/RES. 732 (XIV-O/84), it extended the mandate of the Ad Hoc Committee entrusting it with the responsibility of overseeing OAS quincentennial activities and instructing the General Secretariat to create an office to coordinate those activities;

That at its fifteenth regular session, it adopted resolution AG/RES. 763 (XV-O/85), which approved the plans for the Quincentennial Commemoration included in the Final Report of the First Inter-American Preparatory Conference (AG/doc.1960/85); and

That in 1991, through resolution AG/RES. 1141 (XXI-O/91), it instructed the Permanent Council to replace the Ad Hoc Committee with a Special Quincentennial Committee "which would oversee the quincentennial efforts of the OAS during the next two years,"

RESOLVES:

1. To note, with satisfaction, the Final Report of the Permanent Council presented by the Special Committee on OAS Activities for the Quincentennial Commemoration of the Discovery of America: Encounter of Two Worlds.

2. To conclude the mandate contained in resolution AG/RES. 655 (XIII-O/83) related to the activities commemorating the Quincentennial of the Discovery of America: Encounter of Two Worlds.
3. To instruct the Secretary General to continue his efforts to promote public knowledge of the history, activities, and goals of the OAS, provided this implies no additional budgetary obligation for the 1994-95 biennium.
AG/RES. 1230 (XXIII-O/93)

PROGRAM-BUDGET OF THE ORGANIZATION FOR THE 1994-95 BIENNium,
1994 QUOTAS AND PLEDGES TO THE VOLUNTAry FUNDS

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session,
held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN:

The proposed program-budget of the Organization for the 1994-95 biennium submitted by the Secretary
General;

The CEPCIECC decision on the program-budget for the area of CIECC for the 1994-95 biennium
(CEPCIECC/doc.1151/93);

Resolution CIES/RES. 476 (XXVII-O/93) on the program-budget for the area of CIES for the 1994-95
biennium; and

The report of the Preparatory Committee on the proposed program-budget of the Organization, 1994-95
(AG/doc.2959/93); and

CONSIDERING:

That, thus far, the following pledges have been received to finance the corresponding portions of the
1994-95 program-budget: FEMCIECC, US$1,319,200; CEC, US$194,600; CMP, US$419,400; and

That, pursuant to Article 59.b of the Charter, the Preparatory Committee transmitted to the General
Assembly a working document relating to the proposed budget of the Organization for the 1994-95 biennium
(AG/CP/doc.545/93),

RESOLVES:

I. BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

1. To approve and authorize--with the changes and observations made by the Third Committee,
Administrative and Budgetary Matters--the program-budget of the Organization for the fiscal period starting
January 1, 1994, through December 31, 1994, and the following budgets for the corresponding funds:
a) Regular Fund  
   - US$72,945,200  
   - $12,000,000  

b) Special Development Assistance Fund (SDAF)  
   - $10,586,000  

c) Special Multilateral Fund of CIECC (FEMCIECC)  
   - $972,000  

d) Special Account for Culture (CEC)  
   - $3,365,000  

e) Mar del Plata Account (CMP)  

for a total appropriation of US$99,868,200, as shown in Table A, and, on a provisional basis, the levels for 1995, except in respect of programs relating to personnel and other contractual obligations, to which reference is made in the General Provisions of this resolution.

2. To approve the specific levels of appropriation by chapter, program, and subprogram with the recommendations, instructions, or mandates detailed below in each case:

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CHAPTER 2: SPECIALIZED ORGANIZATIONS AND OTHER ENTITIES

| 20A | Inter-American Defense Board. In addition to this appropriation, the Inter-American Defense Board receives rent-free office accommodation at an estimated value of US$525,000 a year. | 4,501.9 | 4,501.9 |
| 20B | Inter-American Children’s Institute | 2,134.9 | 2,134.9 |
| 20C | Inter-American Commission of Women | 1,242.1 | 1,242.1 |
| 20D | Pan American Development Foundation | 820.2 | 820.2 |
| 20G | Inter-American Music Council (CIDEM) | 206.5 | 206.5 |
|     | Inter-American Music Council (CIDEM) | 98.2 | 98.2 |
### CHAPTER 3: EXECUTIVE OFFICES OF THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT\(^1\)

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1. The subprograms 30M through 30S were previously included in Chapter 5 as Program 54, "Fellowships and Training."

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The sum of US$36,900 approved for this subprogram under object 8, CPRs, is to be used for the exclusive purpose of dealing with the backlog of cataloguing work in the library.

An amount of up to US$500,000 for the biennium will be available for financing this subprogram from unused appropriations of the Regular Fund for the 1992-93 biennium.
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**CHAPTER 4: EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL AFFAIRS**

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To reiterate to the General Secretariat that, in accordance with AG/RES. 1154 (XXII-O/92), action is to be taken in the 1994-95 biennium, and to be fully in effect at the end of it, so that the salaries and wages of employees of Inter-American Centers who are nationals of the country in which a center is located are not financed with resources from any funds of the OAS. The Regular Fund appropriation has been adjusted by the reduction of US$165,000 recommended by CAAP, as indicated in the General Provisions.

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**Programming**

| FEMCIECC      | 9,205.2 | 9,205.2 |
| CEC           | 845.2   | 845.2   |
| CMP           | 2,926.1 | 2,926.1 |

**15% contributions for technical supervision and administrative support**

| FEMCIECC      | 1,380.8 | 1,380.8 |
| CEC           | 126.8   | 126.8   |
| CMP           | 438.9   | 438.9   |

2. The Fellowships and Training Program (54) was transferred to Chapter 3.
50 - Executive Secretariat

Regular Fund  419.9  419.9
FEMCIECC      1,714.7 1,714.7
CEC           141.8  141.8
CMP           564.0  564.0

51 - Regional Educational Development Program

From the sum approved for this subprogram under object 9, US$60,000 is to finance part of the Inter-American Network of Telecommunications for Education and Culture Project, as indicated in the General Provisions.

Regular Fund  1,258.9 1,258.9
FEMCIECC      4,435.3 4,435.3
CMP           1,244.2 1,244.2

52 - Regional Scientific and Technological Development Program

Regular Fund  1,526.6 1,526.6
FEMCIECC      4,436.0 4,436.0
CMP           1,556.8 1,556.8

53 - Regional Cultural Development Program

Regular Fund  2,536.5 2,536.5
CEC           830.2  830.2

CHAPTER 6: OFFICES OF THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT IN THE MEMBER STATES

60G - Offices of the General Secretariat in the Member States

1994   1995
(US$1,000)

2,840.4  2,840.4

6,938.4  6,938.4

7,519.4  7,519.4

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Cost-of-living Adjustment

To authorize the Secretary General, in accordance with the faculties granted to him by Article 118 of the Charter of the Organization, to grant a 3.3% cost-of-living adjustment to the remunerations of the staff, incorporated into the basic salary, beginning January 1, 1994.

In accordance with resolutions AG/RES. 498 (X-O/80) and AG/RLS. 957 (XVIII-O/88), the percentage that shall apply for staff away from headquarters shall be the one called for according to the difference in the cost-of-living at each duty station with respect to headquarters and the local conditions.

Global Adjustment proposed by CAAP

This amount corresponds to the decrease in object 1 recommended by CAAP which is to be absorbed during the budget execution as part of the global adjustment indicated in the General Provisions.

II. FINANCING OF THE BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS

1. To set the quotas with which the governments of the member states will finance the first year, 1994, of the 1994-95 program-budget of the Organization, in the part corresponding to the Regular Fund, in accordance with resolution AG/RES. 1073 (XX-O/90), and the decision of January 19, 1955 (doc. C-i-269), on income tax reimbursements, using the scale and amounts shown in Table C.

2. To finance the 1994 appropriations of the Regular Fund with the quotas of the member states, estimated interest income, rental income from space in the General Secretariat Building, and the administrative and technical support contribution from the voluntary funds as set forth in section B, Table A, and all other miscellaneous income.
3. To authorize funding for the voluntary funds portion of the program-budget of the Organization for 1994 as follows:

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4. **SDAF appropriations for 1994**

To instruct CEPCIES that, as soon as possible, it adjust appropriations to the level of available financing.

5. **CIECC appropriations from voluntary funds for 1994**

To instruct CIECC that, as soon as possible, it adjust appropriations to the level of available financing, in accordance with the criteria established in resolution AGRES. 457 (IX-O/79).

It was decided that in addition to the appropriation of US$60,000 in the Regular Fund, a sum of up to US$320,000 for the Inter-American Telecommunication Network for Education and Culture should be met from the Reserve Subfund of FEMCIECC. The General Secretariat is also authorized to provide an additional sum of US$20,000 from the FEMCIECC Regional Education Activities to the project.

It is further agreed that beginning in 1995 the activities of this project be extended to the other regions of the Hemisphere.

To instruct the General Secretariat to provide the necessary funding up to US$150,000 from the FEMCIECC Reserve Subfund, for the "Committee of Entrepreneurs on Innovation and the Transfer of Technology" project.

III. **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

A. **BUDGETARY**

1. **Salary system**

Taking into account the importance of the Comparative Study on Salary and Benefits as well as the Study on the 50% Regular Fund Budgetary Limit on Personnel Costs to ensure a thorough and complete consideration of the agreement of the Secretary General with the staff on a new system of salary and emoluments, the General Assembly authorizes the Permanent Council to continue the study of this matter with the objective of reaching a final decision as promptly as possible.
2. Personnel limits

a) To maintain the overall limitation on the number of staff members of the General Secretariat funded by the Regular Fund at 725.

b) To maintain the limitation that the total cost of staff in Object 1 in the budget may not exceed 50% of the Regular Fund budget, subject to the decision that the Permanent Council may reach in its review of the issue in view of the report prepared by Ernst and Young.

c) To instruct the Secretary General that, in the execution of the budget, transfers and reassignment of personnel should be carried out in such a manner as not to impact adversely on the approved programs or to require the appointment of additional staff in the Regular Fund.

3. Transfers between Chapters, Regular Fund

To authorize the Secretary General to transfer funds between the chapters of the program-budget, up to a maximum of 5% of the total allocated to the chapter from which the funds are taken or of the chapter that receives them, provided this does not mean elimination or substantial alteration of any approved program.

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

4. Fellowships

To instruct the General Secretariat that the amounts approved for fellowships are not to be transferred or obligated against any other object of expenditure.

Health and Accident Insurance: In each fellowship program, the General Secretariat shall, with funds available in the fellowship program, enroll the fellowship recipient in the health program of the university, college or other institution attended. If the General Secretariat determines that it would be less expensive to establish a separate health insurance program for all recipients, it shall consult the Permanent Council for its approval. In case of training institutions which do not have a health insurance program, the General Secretariat shall establish a program for the fellowship recipients affected. Any health and accident coverage shall clearly define the limits of liability of the Organization, and this shall be made known to the fellowship recipient as well as the training institution.

Fellowship Guidelines: The General Secretariat shall modify guidelines and procedures for the fellowship program to reduce costs and optimize its resources by increasing the number of fellowships granted:

a) To recommend to the General Secretariat that it optimize the number of fellowships awarded, to ensure a fair geographic representation and the availability of programs in the four official languages, so that nationals of all member states have reasonable access to fellowship programs.
b) The General Secretariat shall consider the universities and colleges at which it will grant fellowships taking into account the relative costs. The programs offered shall reflect the training needs and priority areas of concern as defined by the member states. Universities and institutions of higher learning in all member states shall be considered.

5. Travel

To instruct the General Secretariat that the travel expenses of government officials from the member states shall be paid from the funds of the Organization only when they are travelling on behalf of the Organization.

6. Support in connection with unanticipated mandates or political developments (30L)

One of the purposes of this subprogram is to establish a special revolving fund to allow the Organization to respond immediately to unanticipated mandates and developments. To this end, the General Secretariat is authorized to provide financial support to this subprogram of up to US$500,000 for the 1994-95 biennium, from unused appropriations of the 1992-93 biennium.

This revolving fund may be also increased by specific contributions for the unanticipated mandates and developments.

To instruct the Permanent Council to regulate before December 31, 1993, the use of the resources of this revolving fund.

7. Special session of the General Assembly on inter-American cooperation for development

To authorize the Permanent Council, in accordance with Article 73 of the General Standards, to approve a special appropriation up to US$380,000 to cover the cost of the special session of the General Assembly on inter-American cooperation for development which will take place at the beginning of 1994.

8. Use of arrears payments for specific non-recurring costs

a) The repairs and remodeling of the General Secretariat buildings proposed in Annex E of the Secretary General's message on the proposed program-budget for 1994-95, which recommends the use of arrears payments for specific non-recurring costs of the General Secretariat, is approved as follows:

The Secretary General shall report to the twenty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly on the use of these funds for these purposes, in addition to the normal financial and accounting review of the expenditures by the Organization's auditors.

To approve also proceeding with remodeling of the Main Building in accordance with schematic design F of the architectural firm of Notter and Associates at an estimated cost of US$8.8 million, which is to be funded through the use of arrears payments, such funds to remain available until expended for this purpose.
To approve repairs and other improvements to the other buildings, as outlined in Appendix E, for a total of US$2,121,000.

The Permanent Council may also authorize the use of arrears payments for other space needs and requirements, including parking facilities, which it deems of priority importance.

The use of those arrears payments is authorized as a supplementary appropriation to the 1992-93 program-budget.

b) To instruct the Permanent Council to study with the General Secretariat, and decide on, the following matters within 90 days after the General Assembly:

i) The other two components of the Secretary General’s proposal which appear in Annex E of the proposed 1994-95 program-budget:

- Management Information System US$ 519,500
- Foreign Trade Information System US$1,000,000

ii) The possibility to give to FONDEM additional resources for logistic support related with eventual natural disasters.

iii) The possibility, based on the presentation of a detailed budget, of providing to CIM additional resources for the purpose of carrying out a "Regional Evaluation of the Status of Women."

9. Conference personnel services

To instruct the General Secretariat that, in the selection of interpreters and translators for conferences outside of headquarters, consideration be given to contracting them locally, insofar as possible, provided they meet the necessary requirements established by the General Secretariat.

10. Recruitment, terminations, and repatriations

To authorize the General Secretariat to finance up to US$900,000 for each year of the biennium from the Working Capital Subfund of the Regular Fund for the recruitment, termination, and repatriation of employees in positions of trust directly related to the change of administration. These funds shall be used solely for this purpose.

The General Secretariat shall present to the Permanent Council in 1995 a report on the use of these funds.

11. Global adjustments

The CAAP recommended a global adjustment of US$2,357,800 to be distributed by object of expenditure as follows:
Object 1, US$1,875,200 equal to 5% of the total of the Regular Fund in this object, to be absorbed during the budget execution; Object 4, US$85,000, which have been distributed proportionally in all chapters; and Object 9, US$397,600, which have been distributed proportionally among Chapters 1 to 8.

An additional adjustment of US$456,000 was made in Chapter 4, broken down as follows: Inter-American Centers US$165,000 (CIDES US$25,000; CIET/CICAP US$50,000 and IIMC US$90,000); and Regional Support Projects US$300,000 (Enterprise for Americas Initiative US$150,000 and Environment Protection US$150,000).

12. Use of unobligated appropriations of the CIES area as of December 31, 1993

To authorize the appropriation of the SDAF resources for the 1990-91 and 1992-93 biennia that have not been obligated, to complete and strengthen the execution of technical cooperation projects programmed for the 1994-95 biennium upon approval by CEPCIES.

13. Use of unobligated appropriations of the CIECC area as of December 31, 1993


b) That appropriations for FEMCIECC, CEC, and CMP not obligated as of December 31, 1993, be used to reinforce the programming for the year 1994 delegating their programming to CEPCIECC. Likewise, that appropriations not used by June 30, 1994, be allocated to strengthening the programming approved for 1995, once 10% of those appropriations has been subtracted and allocated to the reserve subfunds of each of those accounts, and that authority for programming the use of such reallocated appropriations be delegated to CEPCIECC.

c) That the funds specified in the foregoing paragraphs be allocated first to completing the financing of the projects included in the 1994 programming, should the funding available be less than the total programmed; secondly, to increasing the participation of each country in approved multinational projects and national activities, in the proportions indicated in resolution CIECC-771/88 (II.3.d), and approved regional activities; and, lastly, to financing new activities or national projects related to the approved multinational projects.

14. Resolution AG/RES. 1224 (XXIII-O/93), "Establishment of the Inter-American Telecommunication Commission (CITEL) and Approval of its Statute"

That the Permanent Council be informed before the end of 1993 of the action taken by CITEL to comply with this resolution and, if required, that COM/CITEL inform the Permanent Council of any budgetary implications.
15. **Resolution AG/RES. 1220 (XXIII-O/93), “Establishment of the Special Committee on Trade (CEC)”**

To authorize the Permanent Council to study, with the support of the General Secretariat, the budgetary implications associated with the establishment of the Special Committee on Trade (CEC).


To recommend to the General Secretariat that, within its possibilities, it provide economic and technical support to member states which are interested in the process of incorporating education for democracy into the curricula at all levels and modalities of their education systems.


To instruct CEPCIES and CEPCIECC to provide, from the reserve subfunds of FEMCIECC and SDAF, the necessary resources for compliance with the recommendations contained in documents CIES/4640 and CIECC/doc.1381/93 adopted by resolutions CIES/RES. 469 (XXVII-O/93) and CIECC-847/93.

**B. FINANCIAL**

1. **Payment of quotas and contributions**

   a) In accordance with the provisions of Article 76 of the General Standards to Govern the Operations of the General Secretariat, assessments to the Regular Fund are annual and are due on the first day of the corresponding financial year.

   b) Member states that are not up-to-date in the payment of their assessments to the Regular Fund, as established in the preceding paragraph, must, during the first quarter of the respective financial year, work out a payment schedule for their annual assessments with the Secretary General, in keeping with the financial obligations of the Organization.

   c) The Secretary General must, by April 30 each year, report to the Permanent Council on the schedule of payments agreed upon for the corresponding fiscal year.

   d) To instruct CEPCIES and CEPCIECC to study the impact of non-contribution to the voluntary funds by member states on delivery of technical assistance through plurinational projects or inter-American centers.

2. **Financing of Américas magazine in 1994-95**

   a) The budget for Américas magazine includes funds for one promotion campaign for 1994. The Permanent Council is to establish an Editorial Board for Américas magazine and the resources approved for this subprogram shall be used following guidelines established by the Board.
b) In order to augment the financial support for the magazine, the General Secretariat shall seek
contributions from private organizations and institutions and acknowledge these contributions in the
magazine in a way which is appropriate and consistent with the franking privilege accorded to the
magazine.

c) The editorial policy of the magazine, as the official publication of the OAS, should give particular
attention to promoting the activities of the Organization outlined in Article 116 of the Charter.

d) To authorize the use of all income generated by sales of the magazine in 1994-95 to finance, to the
extent possible, its operating costs.

c) To instruct the General Secretariat to submit an annual report to the Permanent Council on the use
of this income.

C. OTHERS

1. **Honoraria**

To authorize the Secretary General to increase from US$125 to US$150 a day the honoraria paid to
members of the following bodies entitled to such compensation: Administrative Tribunal, Board of External
Auditors, inter-American committees (CIE, CICYT, and CIDEC), Inter-American Commission on Human
Rights, Inter-American Juridical Committee, and Inter-American Court of Human Rights.

2. **CIES budget 1994 - Regular Fund**

4/N - Plurinational Projects

To decide that, as recommended by the Secretary General, funding for the plurinational projects on
Cooperation in the Fight Against Critical Poverty and on Environmental Conservation should, after approval
by CEPCIES, be met from the amount approved under Object 9 in subprogram 4/N - Plurinational Projects
and from the SDAF Reserve Subfund.

4/R - Regional Support Projects

The appropriations in the 1992-93 Regular Fund of US$300,000 each year to be used for projects
approved by the Permanent Council on the Enterprise for the Americas Initiative and Environmental Protection
which have not been expended at the end of 1993 are to be carried over to 1994 as follows: Environmental
Protection up to US$200,000 and Enterprise for the Americas Initiative up to US$100,000. Accordingly, no
new appropriation is provided for these activities in the 1994-95 budget.
3. Program-budget 1995

The program-budget for 1995, the second year of the biennium 1994-95, is maintained at the level of 1994 pending review by the General Assembly, except in respect of personnel and contractual obligations. In this regard, the Secretary General is instructed to present, through the Preparatory Committee, for the consideration of the twenty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly, a report detailing the personnel structure as well as the costs of other contractual obligations having budgetary implications.

4. Office space for delegates

The Permanent Council shall study the requirements for office working space and other resources for the exclusive use of the representatives of the member states at meetings of the governing bodies at headquarters and other locations.
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a. 2% of 1993 quota for full payment of 1993 quota by April 30, 1993.
b. Shown only to establish the percentage corresponding to each member state.
c. Amount paid to the member state by staff members subject to income taxes.
d. This amount will be reimbursed to the member state via payment of income taxes by the staff members subject to those taxes.
EVALUATION AND REORGANIZATION OF THE OFFICES OF THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT IN THE MEMBER STATES

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the Report of the Permanent Council on the Evaluation and Reorganization of the Offices of the General Secretariat in the Member States (AG/doc.2960/93); and

CONSIDERING:

That resolution AG/RES. 1174 (XXII-O/92) instructed the General Secretariat to present annual reports to the Permanent Council on the operation of its offices in the member states, indicating the respective budgets and the execution thereof, and requested that the Permanent Council after considering those reports present to the General Assembly such observations and recommendations as it deems pertinent, pursuant to Article 90.f of the Charter; and

The need for the Organization to proceed with the evaluation process of the offices of the General Secretariat in the member states as a way to establish their efficient and proper functioning,

RESOLVES:

To extend the mandate given to the Permanent Council through resolution AG/RES. 1174 (XXII-O/92) until the twenty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly, taking into consideration that the evaluation of the General Secretariat offices in the member states has not been presented in time to the Permanent Council for its consideration.
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN:

The proposed program-budget of the Organization for the 1994-95 biennium submitted by the Secretary General; and

The Report of the Permanent Council on the Program of Action for Strengthening the OAS;

CONSIDERING that the administrative procedures applied by the OAS in preparing and executing the Organization’s program-budget must be modernized to make it consistent with the new organizational structures and priorities of the OAS; and

BEARING IN MIND:

That it is entirely appropriate to undertake a process of streamlining the administrative and budgetary policies of the Organization for better financial resource management, so that funds can be channeled to those areas accorded priority by the member states; and

That the budgetary allocations should be used as an instrument to help attain the general and specific objectives of the Organization,

RESOLVES:

1. To instruct the Permanent Council to initiate, in collaboration with the General Secretariat, a study on procedures that should be adopted for improved preparation, execution, and review of the program-budget of the Organization.

2. To request the Permanent Council to consider as well a study of financing mechanisms and procedures for the Organization.

3. To ask the Permanent Council to report on the progress of the studies referred to in the first and second paragraphs of this resolution at the twenty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly.
AG/RES. 1233 (XXIII-O/93)

DEVELOPMENT OF A COMPREHENSIVE INFORMATICS PROGRAM

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the report prepared by the Office of Management Systems of the General Secretariat on the activities being carried out by the Organization using computer technology (CP/CAAP-2001/93);

BEARING IN MIND the work done so far by the General Secretariat to provide the Organization and its member states with modern information systems;

CONSIDERING:

That the application of computer technologies is now an immediate need of the countries in the Hemisphere;

That the OAS Secretariat must continue to strive to develop information systems facilitating the work of the Organization; and

That the design of such systems should provide for compatibility among all their components, and ensure that they are fully integrated,

RESOLVES:

1. To instruct the General Secretariat to design a comprehensive informatics development program, encompassing all the activities of the Organization, and to submit it to the Permanent Council for consideration. The program should include mechanisms and methodologies to enable the permanent missions of the member states to gain easy access to data processed by any information system being used.

2. To recommend to the General Secretariat that, within two to four years, it ensure compatibility among the informatics systems of the Organization, by conducting any studies that may be in order.

3. To ask the General Secretariat to report on the progress of this work program to the twenty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly.
AG/RES. 1234 (XXIII-O/93)

STRENGTHENING OF THE OAS

Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session,
held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN:

The Report of the Permanent Council on the Strengthening of the OAS (AG/doc.2968/93);
and

Resolution AG/RES. 1 (XIX-E/93), adopted at the nineteenth special session on amendments
to the Charter in the area of technical cooperation;

CONSIDERING:

That at its fourteenth special session, the General Assembly assigned the study on revision
of Chapters XIII and XIV of the Organization’s Charter to the Permanent Council; and

That at the ninth plenary meeting of the twentieth regular session, the Permanent Council was
instructed to examine the proposal submitted by the Secretary General on restructuring of the General
Secretariat (AG/doc.2442/89); and

RECALLING:

That resolution AG/RES. 1154 (XXII-O/92) instructed the Permanent Council, in consultation
with CIES and CIECC and in the context of strengthening the OAS in the area of technical
cooperation, to include an evaluation of the inter-American centers in order to facilitate the updating
of those centers;

That the same resolution urged those states in which the headquarters of inter-American
centers are located to study the recommendations on their respective centers presented by the Group
of Experts (AG/doc.2844/92) and to submit their observations to the Permanent Council before
December 31, 1992; and

That resolution AG/RES. 1186 (XXII-O/92) reiterated the request that the member states
which had not yet done so prepare such observations and comments as they deemed pertinent on the
report of the Consultation Group (AG/doc.2695/91) so that the Permanent Council might take them
into consideration during the related studies in the area of the strengthening of the OAS,
RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the report presented by the Permanent Council on the Strengthening of the OAS (AG/doc.2968/93).

2. To declare that the mandates conferred on the Permanent Council for the study of topics relating to Chapters XIII and XIV of the Charter, as instructed by the General Assembly at its fourteenth special session, and the restructuring of the General Secretariat, assigned at the twentieth regular session, have been discharged.

3. To instruct the Permanent Council to continue the study on the activities of the inter-American centers and their associated projects, which had been requested in resolution AG/RES. 1154 (XXII-O/92), and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its twenty-fourth regular session.

4. To instruct the Permanent Council that, taking into account, among other factors, the observations and comments submitted to that body up to that time by the states in which headquarters of the inter-American centers are located, it should take the pertinent decisions in such cases in particular, pursuant to operative paragraphs 6 and 7 of Resolution AG/RES. 1154 (XXII-O/92), and report thereon at the twenty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly.

5. To request the Permanent Council to continue complying with the mandate conferred by resolution AG/RES. 986 (XIX-O/89) in regard to the matters remaining to be considered, and to report thereon to the General Assembly at its twenty-fourth regular session.

6. To repeat the request that the member countries which had not yet done so prepare such observations and comments as they deemed pertinent concerning the report of the Consultation Group on the Inter-American System (AG/doc.2695/91), so that the Permanent Council might take those views into account in connection with the studies on strengthening the OAS.
AG/RES. 1235 (XXIII-O/93)

PROMOTION OF DEMOCRACY

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session,
held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

BEARING IN MIND that the Charter of the Organization of American States in its preamble
states that "representative democracy is an indispensable condition for the stability, peace, and
development of the region," and that it establishes as one of its purposes the promotion and
consolidation of representative democracy, with due respect for the principle of nonintervention;

HAVING SEEN resolution AG/RES. 1063 (XX-O/90), in which the General Assembly
instructed the Secretary General to establish a Unit for the Promotion of Democracy, and resolutions
CP/RES. 572 (889/91) and CP/RES. 583 (904/92), in which the Permanent Council adopted the
Program of Support for the Promotion of Democracy and the Unit’s Work Plan;

RECALLING:

That the Santiago Commitment to Democracy and the Renewal of the Inter-American System
declared its inescapable commitment to the defense and promotion of representative democracy and
human rights in the region, within the framework of respect for the principles of self-determination
and nonintervention;

That resolution AG/RES. 1080 (XXI-O/91), "Representative Democracy", entrusted the
Permanent Council with devising proposals that would serve as incentives to preserve and strengthen
democratic systems; and

That an essential objective of the Unit for the Promotion of Democracy is to respond "rapidly
and efficiently to those member states which, in full exercise of their sovereignty, request advice or
assistance in preserving or strengthening their political institutions and democratic procedures"; and

CONSIDERING:

That, in accordance with resolution CP/RES. 572 (889/91), the Unit shall be available for
carrying out the tasks that the competent organs may entrust to it in support of democracy in the
Hemisphere; and

That the Declaration of Nassau states that integral development is vital to the consolidation
of representative democracy and the political stability of the countries of the Hemisphere,
RESOLVES:

1. To request the Secretary General to instruct the Unit for the Promotion of Democracy to intensify its work to renew, preserve or strengthen democratic institutions and processes in those member states that so request, and to cooperate with those states in their initiatives to consolidate democracy.

2. To instruct the Permanent Council to reestablish the Working Group on Incentives for the Preservation and Strengthening of Democratic Systems which, jointly with the Secretary General, shall, inter alia, draw up guidelines for the Unit for the Promotion of Democracy in realizing its objectives and carrying out its work plans.

3. To recommend to the Secretary General that he promote cooperation by the Unit for the Promotion of Democracy with the various organs, agencies, and entities of the OAS, with a view to promoting and defending representative democracy in the region.

4. To request the Secretary General to instruct the Unit for the Promotion of Democracy, as an integral part of its activities, to conduct studies, seminars, research, and ongoing analysis on the various obstacles that might hinder the full exercise of democracy in the region—and in each particular case, at the request of the interested member state—so that the Permanent Council may draw up recommendations within the framework of the OAS Charter for cooperation to strengthen the exercise of representative democracy.

5. To request the Secretary General to submit to the Permanent Council regular evaluation reports on the execution of the activities contemplated in the Program of Support and on the Work Plan of the Unit for the Promotion of Democracy.
AG/RES. 1236 (XXIII-O/93)

COOPERATION FOR SECURITY AND DEVELOPMENT IN THE HEMISPHERE.
REGIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO GLOBAL SECURITY

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session,
held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the report of the Permanent Council on cooperation for hemispheric security (AG/doc.2970/93);

HAVING RECEIVED the document presented by the Chairman on contributions to a new concept of hemispheric security: cooperative security;

RECALLING that, pursuant to its resolution AG/RES. 1180 (XXII-O/92) "Cooperation for Hemispheric Security," the Permanent Council established a Special Committee on Hemispheric Security to consider the topic;

BEARING IN MIND:

That an essential purpose of the Organization of American States is to strengthen the peace and security of the Hemisphere and that economic and social development and cooperation among its member states are fundamental for attaining that goal;

That cooperation to strengthen democratic institutions and foster economic and social development, human rights, disarmament, arms control and limitation, the preservation of the environment, and the struggle against extreme poverty is indispensable for establishing more peaceful and secure democratic societies;

That the democratic member states of Latin America and the Caribbean are the least armed and militarized in the world;

That in accordance with the Charter of the OAS, member states have undertaken to achieve an effective limitation of conventional weapons, which will make it possible to devote more resources to their economic and social development;

That all forms of proliferation and use of weapons of mass destruction threaten global and regional security, aggravate the risks of increasing conflicts in regions of tension, and endanger the environment;
COMMENDING:

The strenuous efforts made by the member states to adjust the structure of their economies with a view to further expansion of the regional and world economies, which efforts represent a significant contribution to regional and global security; and

The contributions made to disarmament, and arms control and limitation through, among other things, the adoption on August 26, 1992, of amendments to the Treaty of Tlatelolco and accession to the principles of the Convention on the Prohibition and Destruction of Chemical Weapons,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the positive work done by the Special Committee on Hemispheric Security.

2. To reaffirm resolution AG/RES. 1179 (XXII-O/92) in which it recognized the timeliness of and need for more dialogue on security and cooperation in this matter among member states.

3. To instruct the Permanent Council to continue and intensify, through the Special Committee, its consideration of issues relating to hemispheric security from a current, comprehensive perspective of security and disarmament, including the possibility of establishing working groups of government experts on selected topics, which could meet to examine specific areas of interest to member states.

4. To request the Special Committee to give priority in its program of work, within the framework provided by resolution AG/RES. 1179 (XXII-O/92), and with a view to increasing cooperation among member states, to the following matters:

   (i) the relationship between the OAS and the United Nations in all matters related to regional security within the framework of their respective normative instruments;

   (ii) global and regional disarmament, and arms control and limitation;

   (iii) the relationship between development, environment and disarmament, and arms control and limitation;

   (iv) the prevention of all forms of proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and their delivery systems by the adoption of appropriate controls on the exportation of dual-use goods and technologies, taking due account of their legitimate use for peaceful purposes. The recent adoption of the Convention on the Prohibition and Destruction of Chemical Weapons shall also be borne in mind;
in the area of the transfer of conventional weapons, the promotion of openness and transparency, including: (a) transmission of information to the Register of Conventional Arms; (b) exchanges of information on national policies, laws and administrative procedures; and (c) discussions and consultations on the basis of the foregoing;

(vi) the prevention of conflicts and the maintenance of peace by, among other means: (a) consideration of measures for conflict prevention and the peaceful settlement of disputes taking into account the instruments that already exist in the Organization; (b) regional exchanges of technical information and expertise on all aspects of confidence-building measures; (c) consideration of measures to promote transparency and build confidence between and among member states in both military and civilian fields;

(vii) continued examination of the special problems of the small states in the Hemisphere in order to make them less vulnerable in areas such as natural disaster management, manpower development, the drug traffic, the illicit arms trade, and other areas in which their security and economic development may be affected.

5. To recommend to the Special Committee on Hemispheric Security to carry on its activities from a regional perspective in the light of an updated and comprehensive view of security and disarmament, and to coordinate its work with that done in other bodies of the Organization and in the United Nations.

6. To continue examining this matter at its twenty-fourth regular session.
AG/RES. 1237 (XXIII-O/93)

MEETING OF EXPERTS ON CONFIDENCE- AND SECURITY-BUILDING MEASURES IN THE REGION

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN:

Its decision, contained in the Santiago Commitment, to initiate a process of consultation on hemispheric security in the light of the new conditions in the region and the world, from an updated and comprehensive perspective of security and disarmament, including the subject of all forms of proliferation of weapons and instruments of mass destruction, so that the largest possible volume of resources may be devoted to the economic and social development of the member states;

Its resolutions AG/RES. 1121 (XXI-O/91) and AG/RES. 1123 (XXI-O/91) on the strengthening of peace and security of the Hemisphere, and resolutions AG/RES. 1179 (XXII-O/92) and AG/RES. 1180 (XXII-O/92) on cooperation for hemispheric security;

The report of the Permanent Council on the activities of the Special Committee on Hemispheric Security (AG/doc.2970/93);

RECOGNIZING the timeliness and necessity of increased dialogue on topics of security and cooperation on the matter among the nations of the Hemisphere in the light of the new international situation;

BEARING IN MIND the progress made in this area in other multilateral arenas;

EMPHASIZING:

The contributions made by the American nations to disarmament and to arms control and limitation at the regional level;

The successful security agreements, measures to promote confidence, and arms reduction programs set in motion in Central America;
CONSIDERING:

That the consolidation of peace and security in the Hemisphere is one of the essential aims of the OAS, and that socioeconomic development and cooperation among the member states are essential for the attainment of that goal;

That regional and subregional integration processes, as well as the sharing of information and experience and the enhancement of consultation and cooperation mechanisms, encourage the promotion of security and stability in the region; and

That security- and confidence-building measures work toward preventing potential sources of conflict and thus contribute to efforts to safeguard peace and security;

RESOLVES:

1. To hold before its twenty-fourth regular session a meeting of government experts on confidence- and security-building measures for the region.

2. To instruct the Permanent Council to prepare the agenda and draw up the working guidelines for that meeting by way of the Special Committee on Hemispheric Security.

3. To request the Permanent Council to report to the twenty-fourth regular session on the fulfillment of this resolution.
AG/RES. 1238 (XXIII-O/93)

INFORMATION ON DEFENSE SPENDING AND REGISTER OF CONVENTIONAL ARMS

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

CONSIDERING:

Its decision, contained in the Santiago Commitment, to initiate a process of consultation on hemispheric security in the light of the new conditions in the region and the world, from an updated and comprehensive perspective of security and disarmament, including the subject of all forms of proliferation of weapons and instruments of mass destruction, so that the largest possible volume of resources may be devoted to the economic and social development of the member states; and


REITERATING the Organization’s commitment to promoting and making an effective contribution to efforts in the area of regional security to supplement international efforts to strengthen and maintain peace and security;

RECOGNIZING that the democratic countries of Latin America and the Caribbean are the least armed and militarized in the world;

BEARING IN MIND that the member states should fulfill their obligations with regard to disarmament and arms limitation and control, prevent all forms of proliferation of the weapons of mass destruction, avoid the excessive or destabilizing accumulation of arms and the transfer of conventional arms, and settle peacefully, in accordance with the Charters of the OAS and the United Nations and international law, any problem related to matters that threaten or interrupt the maintenance of regional and world security;
CONSIDERING:

That the increase in openness and transparency in the arms field contributes to building mutual confidence, reducing tensions, and strengthening regional and international peace and security, and may contribute to decreasing the acquisition, production, and transfer of arms;

That there is consensus among the member states on the implementation of confidence-building measures, which include, in particular, transparency and exchange of information on arms;

That a register of conventional arms has been set up within the Secretariat of the United Nations, to compile information on international arms transfers in accordance with operative paragraphs 7, 9, 10, and 12 to 15 of resolution 46/36 (L) of the United Nations General Assembly as well as other related information provided by the member states;

That by virtue of resolution 46/25 of the United Nations General Assembly, the member states provide information each year on their defense spending; and

That an appeal has been made in the appropriate fora for the adoption, nationally, subregionally, and regionally, of measures to promote openness and transparency in arms questions; and

REAFFIRMING its decision to support the efforts of the United Nations to achieve the effective operation of the arms register called for in UN General Assembly resolutions 46/36 (L) and 47/52 (L),

RESOLVES:

1. To request the Secretary General, in the framework of strengthening cooperation between the two organizations, to make appropriate arrangements with the Secretary-General of the United Nations to ensure that the General Secretariat of the OAS receives the information that the member states send to the United Nations register of conventional arms, along with the information on defense spending, so that the regional organization may have the data that the member states supply in conformity with the terms of this resolution.

2. To invite the member states to provide to the conventional arms register set up in the Secretariat of the United Nations, on a regular basis, the information called for in UN General Assembly resolutions 46/36 (L) and 47/52 (L).

3. Also to invite the member states to provide to the United Nations on a regular basis information on their defense spending, in compliance with resolution 46/25 of the UN General Assembly.
4. To request the Secretary General to report to the twenty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly on compliance with the present resolution, and to include in his report the relevant information supplied by the member states.

5. To transmit the present resolution to the United Nations.
AG/RES. 1239 (XXIII-O/93)

CONSOLIDATION OF THE REGIME ESTABLISHED
BY THE TREATY FOR THE PROHIBITION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS
IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session,
held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING:

Resolutions AG/RES. 1121 (XXI-O/91) and AG/RES. 1179 (XXII-O/92) on cooperation for security in the Hemisphere and regional contributions to global security;

That the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco) was opened for signature in Mexico City on February 14, 1967, and that it was described as an event of historic significance in the efforts to prevent the proliferation of nuclear weapons and to promote international peace and security;

That in the preamble to the Treaty of Tlatelolco it was stated that militarily denuclearized zones are not an end in themselves, but rather a means for achieving general and complete disarmament at a later stage;

That the preamble of the Treaty of Tlatelolco also embodies the principle that the prevention of proliferation of nuclear weapons calls for the establishment of an acceptable balance of mutual responsibilities and obligations between nuclear-weapon states and those which do not possess such weapons;

That the Treaty of Tlatelolco is open for signature to all the sovereign states of Latin America and the Caribbean and that it contains two additional protocols that are open for signature, respectively, to states that de jure or de facto are internationally responsible for territories located within the zone of application of the Treaty and the nuclear-weapons states;

BEARING IN MIND:

That current international conditions are propitious for the consolidation of the regime established by the Treaty of Tlatelolco;

That the Treaty of Tlatelolco is already in force for twenty-four sovereign states of the region;
That both protocols have become fully effective with the deposit by the French Government on August 24, 1992, of the instrument of ratification of Additional Protocol I;

The holding in Mexico City of the Fourth Meeting of Signatories of the Treaty of Tlatelolco and the Seventh Special Session of the General Conference of the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (OPANAL) on August 26, 1992, and the latter's adoption of resolution 298 (VII), which approved and opened for signature a set of amendments to the Treaty of Tlatelolco, with the aim of enabling the full entry into force of that instrument;

The declaration of the Governments of Argentina, Brazil, and Chile to the effect that as soon as the three countries have completed the procedures for ratifying the Treaty of Tlatelolco, as amended, they will waive all the requirements set forth in paragraph 1 of Article 28 of the Treaty that still remain to be met;

That the Government of Cuba has declared that, in pursuit of regional unity, it would be ready to sign the Treaty of Tlatelolco once all the states of the region have assumed the undertakings of that Treaty; and

That recently, during the XIII regular session of the General Conference of OPANAL (Mexico City, May 27 - 28, 1993), it was decided to hold a special session late in 1993, to ensure the full participation of all states of the region in the conduct of this agency's work,

RESolves:

1. To welcome with satisfaction the specific measures taken by a number of countries for consolidation of the regime of military denuclearization established by the Treaty of Tlatelolco.

2. To take note with satisfaction of the declaration of the Governments of Argentina, Brazil, and Chile that as soon as those countries have completed the procedures for ratifying the text of the Treaty of Tlatelolco, as amended, they will waive all the requirements set forth in paragraph 1 of Article 28 of the Treaty that still remain to be met.

3. To urge all the states of Latin America and the Caribbean to adopt promptly the necessary measures to attain the full entry into force of the Treaty of Tlatelolco and, in particular, those states for which the Treaty is open for signature and ratification immediately to carry out the corresponding formalities so that they may become parties to that international instrument, thus contributing to the consolidation of the regime established by the Treaty.

4. To continue consideration of this matter at the twenty-fourth regular session.
AG/RES. 1240 (XXIII-O/93)

INTER-AMERICAN DEFENSE BOARD

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session; held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN:

Resolution XXXIX of the Third Meeting of Consultation of Ministers of Foreign Affairs, held in Rio de Janeiro in 1942;

Resolutions VII and XXXIV of the Ninth International Conference of American States, held in Bogotá in 1948;

Resolution AG/RES. 1181 (XXII-O/92) on the Inter-American Defense Board; and

The report of the Permanent Council on the relationship between the Inter-American Defense Board and the Organization of American States (AG/doc.2964/93);

CONSIDERING that Article 53 of the OAS Charter establishes as one of the powers of the General Assembly the authority to determine the activities and general policies of the Organization; and

BEARING IN MIND the functions assigned to the Inter-American Defense Board through the resolutions of the Third Meeting of Consultation and the Ninth International Conference of American States,

RESOLVES:

1. To reiterate the need to define the legal-institutional relationship between the Inter-American Defense Board and the Organization of American States in order to overcome the current situation, and take a decision thereon at the twenty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly.

2. To urge the Permanent Council to conclude, with the necessary advisory services, the studies, reports, and projects needed to decide, under the Charter and other instruments of the inter-American system, on the options for legal-institutional linkage, and the competence and functioning of the Inter-American Defense Board.
3. That provisionally, and until such definition is established, the General Assembly, the Meeting of Consultation of Ministers of Foreign Affairs, and the Permanent Council may, based on the criteria of and proper follow-up by those political bodies of the Organization, require from the Inter-American Defense Board advice and the delivery of consultancy services of a technical-military character which in no case may have an operational nature. Such requirements shall be made by the member states directly concerned and be within the framework of the Charter.
AG/RES. 1241 (XXIII-O/93)
INTER-AMERICAN PROGRAM OF ACTION
FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session,
held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the Report of the Permanent Council on the Inter-American Program of Action for Environmental Protection (AG/doc.2962/93); and

CONSIDERING:

That the Organization of American States is determined to strengthen cooperation among member states with a view to preserving the environment and promoting the sustainable development of the region;

That the General Assembly has adopted the Inter-American Program of Action for Environmental Protection [AG/RES. 1114 (XXI-O/91)]; and

That the Organization of American States took part as an observer in the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED), held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, in June 1992,

RESOLVES:

1. To thank the Permanent Council for presenting the Report on the Inter-American Program of Action for Environmental Protection (AG/doc.2962/93) and to endorse the report’s recommendations.

2. To note with satisfaction the efforts made by the Permanent Council to implement the regional measures contained in the Inter-American Program of Action.

3. To request the Permanent Council to continue monitoring and applying, through the Committee on the Environment, the measures envisaged in the Inter-American Program of Action in the light of the results of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED), with particular focus on the implementation of Agenda 21 and the deliberations of the United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development, and report back to the General Assembly at its twenty-fourth regular session.

5. To request that the Permanent Council, through the Committee on the Environment, study and decide on the advisability of updating the 1940 Convention on Nature Protection and Wildlife Preservation in the Western Hemisphere, or whether a new Convention should be adopted.

6. To request that the Permanent Council, through the Committee on the Environment, study and take a decision on the advisability of adopting an American Declaration on the Environment, taking the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development into consideration.

7. To recommend to the organs, agencies, and entities of the Organization to adopt in their environmental programs and activities, policies to increase the participation of women as decision makers, planners, managers, scientific and technical advisors, and as beneficiaries.

8. To recommend to the organs, agencies, and entities of the Organization that they keep the Committee on the Environment informed on their programs and activities in the field of the environment with a view to proper coordination.

AG/RES. 1242 (XXIII-O/93)

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INTER-AMERICAN DRUG ABUSE CONTROL COMMISSION
AND REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF
THE PROGRAM OF ACTION OF IXTAPA

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session,
held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the observations and recommendations of the Permanent Council on the
and the report of that Commission on compliance with the provisions of the Program of Action of
Ixtapa (CP/CRO-359/93 Annex II); and

CONSIDERING:

That the General Assembly established the Program of Action of Rio de Janeiro, the Program
of Action of Ixtapa, and the Inter-American Program of Quito;

That illicit drug use, production, and traffic continues to spread throughout the region, despite
the arduous struggle being waged by the member states against this grave international phenomenon,
which generates various forms of social, economic, and political instability;

That the Organization of American States is resolved to strengthen cooperation among the
member state governments as an essential step toward improving the effectiveness of the war on the
illicit use and production of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances and traffic therein and on
related crimes;

That CICAD has appointed a drafting group to carry out the tasks specified in the Conclusions
and Recommendations of the document entitled "Strategies to Enhance the Effectiveness of Efforts
to Prevent the Illicit Production, Distribution, and Use of Drugs and Combat Illicit Traffic in
Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances in the Americas"; and

That in its report on compliance with the provisions of the Program of Action of Ixtapa,
CICAD spells out in detail the actions taken by the governments, CICAD, and the other organs,
agencies, and entities of the inter-American system to implement the measures agreed to in that
Program,
RESOLVES:

1. To take note of, endorse, and transmit to the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission the observations and recommendations of the Permanent Council on its Annual Report.

2. To note with satisfaction the Report of CICAD on compliance with the Plan of Action of Ixtapa, with special emphasis on those measures of an economic and social nature.

3. To acknowledge the efforts being made by the member states to cope with this critical international problem, especially those being carried out by the parties most affected by the attendant violence, which threatens their chances of development and their political and social stability.

4. To express its interest in the outcome of the work related to the document entitled "Strategies to Enhance the Effectiveness of Efforts to Prevent the Illicit Production, Distribution, and Use of Drugs and to Combat Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances in the Americas," which was entrusted to a drafting group at the thirteenth regular session of CICAD, held in San José, Costa Rica, from March 9 to 12, 1993, and to take note of CICAD’s plans to convene a special session with the highest possible level of participation on the part of all member states.

5. To recommend to the member states that they promote cooperation and the sharing of experience among public and private institutions in the countries that are mobilizing communities against illicit traffic in drugs, so that the most effective and appropriate techniques may be identified.

6. To ask the organs, agencies, and entities of the inter-American system to give special consideration in their programming to the war on the illicit use and production of narcotic drugs and traffic therein and related offenses in the context of the Programs of Rio de Janeiro, Ixtapa, and Quito and to coordinate more closely with CICAD.

7. To urge the governments of those member states that have not yet done so to accede to the 1988 United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances and where appropriate to apply the Model Regulations to Control Chemical Precursors and Chemical Substances, Machines, and Materials.

8. To thank the governments of the member states and Permanent Observers, the Commission of European Communities, the United Nations International Drug Control Program, and the Inter-American Development Bank for their financial support of the programs of CICAD and to urge them to continue their support.
AG/RES. 1243 (XXIII-O/93)

COOPERATION BETWEEN THE OAS AND CARICOM

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session,
held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING its resolution AG/RES. 1194 (XXII-O/92) on cooperation between the OAS and
CARICOM; and

HAVING SEEN the report of the Secretary General on the implementation of resolution
AG/RES. 1194 (XXII-O/92),

RESOLVES:

1. To express satisfaction with the effort made by the Secretary General to strengthen
cooperation and coordination between the OAS and CARICOM.

2. To note with satisfaction that coordination between the Secretariats of both organizations
has been reinforced and contacts and consultations have been made and increased.

3. To express satisfaction that a Memorandum of Understanding for Cooperation between
the General Secretariat of the OAS and the Caribbean Community has been drawn up, which
identifies specific areas for collaboration between the two organizations.

4. To request the Secretary General to continue taking appropriate measures to deepen and
expand cooperation and coordination between the OAS and CARICOM.

5. To recommend that the Secretary General of the OAS, in consultation with the Secretary
General of CARICOM, carry out the activities proposed in the Memorandum of Understanding.

6. To request the Secretary General of the OAS to hold periodic meetings between the OAS
and CARICOM for the purpose of reviewing and planning collaboration.

7. To request the Secretary General to submit to the General Assembly at its twenty-fourth
regular session a report on the implementation of this resolution.
AG/RES. 1244 (XXIII-O/93)

COOPERATION BETWEEN THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES 
AND THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, 
held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING its resolution AG/RES. 1199 (XXII-O/92) on cooperation between the 
Organization of American States and the United Nations; and

HAVING SEEN the report of the Secretary General on the implementation of resolution 
AG/RES. 1199 (XXII-O/92),

RESOLVES:

1. To express satisfaction with the effort made by the Secretary General to strengthen 
   cooperation and coordination between the Organization of American States and the United Nations.

2. To note, with satisfaction, that the Secretary General has given a presentation on the 
general subject of cooperation between regional organizations—the OAS in particular—and the United 
Nations, made a statement to the Special Committee on the UN Charter and the Strengthening of the 
Organization, and provided a set of guidelines under which collaboration between the OAS and the 
UN may be broadened and deepened.

3. To note, with satisfaction, that coordination between the Secretariats of the two 
organizations and of the specialized agencies has been reinforced, and contacts and consultation 
between counterparts in these agencies have been maintained and increased.

4. To express satisfaction with the coordination mechanism which the Secretary General 
of the OAS has established in collaboration with the UN Secretary-General, to congratulate the 
Assistant Secretary General on the successful implementation of the mechanism, and to urge both 
organizations to cooperate even more effectively in the future.

5. To note with satisfaction that the second OAS/UN General Meeting has taken place and 
that specific recommendations have been made for collaboration between the two organizations.

6. To request the Secretary General to continue taking appropriate measures to deepen and 
expand cooperation and coordination between the OAS and the UN and between their specialized 
agencies within the context of their respective Charters.
7. To commend the Secretaries General of both organizations for their important cooperation in facilitating a resolution to the Haiti crisis, monitoring of the current human rights situation, coordination of humanitarian assistance, and planning of efforts to help Haitians rebuild their economy and institutions once constitutional order is restored.

8. To note that the joint designation by both Secretaries General of a Special Envoy to Haiti and a Director of the International Civilian Mission provides an excellent example for future cooperation between the OAS and the UN.

9. To request the Secretary General of the OAS, in collaboration with the Secretary-General of the UN, to continue to hold periodic meetings between the two systems for the purpose of review and appraisal of progress, and also to hold inter-agency meetings on areas of priority or on mutually agreed issues.

10. To ask the Secretary General to continue to take appropriate measures to improve and expand cooperation and coordination between the OAS and the UN in accordance with their respective Charters, and through the signing of specific agreements on cooperation that describe the objectives, methods, and limits of such cooperation.

11. To instruct the Permanent Council to conduct a detailed study of the UN/OAS relationship, formulate recommendations, and report on the subject at the next General Assembly session.

12. To request the Secretary General to submit to the General Assembly at its twenty-fourth regular session a report on the implementation of this resolution.
AG/RES. 1245 (XXIII-O/93)

OAS PUBLIC INFORMATION

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the report of the Secretary General on activities in the area of information (AG/doc.2951/93), and

CONSIDERING:

That the circulation of information on OAS activities to all member states is essential for the enhancement of the image of the OAS and for ensuring the continuous support of the governments of these countries;

That the offices of the General Secretariat in the member states should contribute to the dissemination, through the various mass media, of the expanding activities of the Organization and seek to improve the public image thereof;

That the four official languages of the Organization are English, Spanish, French, and Portuguese and that all member states have an equal right to receive adequate information about the Organization;

That the countries that have more recently joined the Organization need even more information about the programs and projects that the Organization has been carrying out and other activities in which it has been engaged;

That in order to ensure the widest understanding and use of the information circulated about the Organization, its news, and other information items should be in the official languages of the Organization; and

That concern has been expressed by delegations of the English- and French-speaking member states of the Organization about the need for wider and more comprehensive information in English and French generated by the OAS Department of Public Information,

RESOLVES:

1. To urge the Secretary General of the OAS to take measures to respond to the concerns expressed by member states about the need for wider and more comprehensive information in English and French generated by the Department of Public Information.
2. To instruct the Secretary General of the OAS to increase the capacity of the Department of Public Information to provide information in English and French for member states with these official languages.

3. To urge the Secretary General of the OAS to instruct the offices of the General Secretariat in the member states insofar as possible to include ongoing activities for dissemination of information and projection of the institutional image of the Organization in their work programs.
AG/RES. 1246 (XXIII-O/93)

REQUEST FROM THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION OF WOMEN TO CONVENE A SPECIAL ASSEMBLY OF CIM DELEGATES

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

AWARE that the Inter-American Commission of Women is engaged in a broad and serious process of consultations concerning the possible text of an inter-American convention on women and violence;

HAVING SEEN document AG/doc.2980/93, containing the request of the Commission to convocate a Special Assembly of CIM Delegates in 1994 to conclude the consultation process and to remit the draft convention to the General Assembly of the Organization; and

CONVINCED that the adoption of a convention on the eradication of all forms of violence against women would be a positive contribution to protecting the rights of women and to consolidating in this hemisphere the conditions that make for recognition of and respect for the inherent dignity of the human person,

RESOLVES:

1. To authorize the Permanent Council to make available to the Inter-American Commission of Women the amount of US$23,575.00 for the holding of a Special Assembly of CIM Delegates in 1994, subject to the opportune receipt of a report from the Commission on the completion of the aforementioned process of review and consultation.

2. For the purpose of the preceding paragraph, the Permanent Council may have recourse to unexecuted obligations from previous biennia as well as other funds.
AG/RES. 1247 (XXIII-O/93)

URUGUAY ROUND

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session,
held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING CONSIDERED the report CIES/CECON 632 rev. 2 and having established the Special Committee on Trade (CEC) to serve as a hemispheric forum for dialogue and cooperation on trade [AG/RES. 1220 (XXIII-O/93)];

AWARE of the recessionary phase through which the world economy is passing, which more than ever calls for a restoration of conditions of sustained growth, one of whose key components is the strengthening of multilateral trade rules;

CONCERNED about the failure to conclude the negotiations of the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade;

BEARING IN MIND that free and nondiscriminatory international trade within a balanced and open multilateral juridical framework that ensures against protectionism and guarantees free access to markets is essential for economic development;

TAKING INTO FULL ACCOUNT the circumstances and characteristics of small developing countries;

CONSIDERING the importance to all member states of concluding the Uruguay Round to achieve these objectives; and

RECALLING the earlier pronouncements of the General Assembly [AG/RES. 1125 (XXI-O/91) and AG/RES. 1190 (XXII-O/92)] and of the Permanent Council in this regard,

RESOLVES:

1. To reiterate the need for a prompt and successful conclusion of the Uruguay Round of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, which for the countries of the region is an indispensable element, that would ensure, for purposes of regulating international trade, that multilateral arrangements to eliminate protectionism and the hindrances to free and nondiscriminatory trade are adopted as a means of improving market access. Developed countries should give special attention to the issue of market access to ensure that balanced results are attained for all countries of the region, according to the rules and principles of the General Agreement and the Ministerial Declaration of Punta del Este.
2. To request the Secretary General to take all measures that would help bring the Uruguay Round to a successful conclusion.

3. To ask that the new Special Committee on Trade address itself to such measures as will make known the interest of all member states in a prompt and successful conclusion of the Uruguay Round.
AG/RES. 1248 (XXIII-O/93)

FINANCING OF SPECIAL ACTIVITIES EMANATING FROM
THE APPLICATION OF RESOLUTION AG/RES. 1080 (XXI-O/91)

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session,
held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

RECALLING resolution AG/RES. 1080 (XXI-O/91), which established procedures for assisting member states in the promotion and consolidation of representative democracy;

CONSIDERING:

That member states have increasingly requested the assistance of the Organization of American States in strengthening democracy and resolving crises which threaten constitutional order and the rule of law;

That the growing number of special activities of the Organization related to the promotion and defense of representative democracy makes it advisable to consider the creation of appropriate regulations regarding the financing of those activities; and

That the participation of observer countries in the regular programs of the Organization as well as in these new activities to strengthen democracy has enhanced their overall contribution to the objectives described in the Charter;

RESOLVES:

1. To instruct the Permanent Council to examine all aspects regarding the implementation and financing of special activities of the Organization stemming from relevant decisions of the General Assembly and Meetings of Ministers of Foreign Affairs to assist member states in preserving and strengthening representative democracy in accordance with resolution AG/RES. 1080 (XXI-O/91).

2. To request the Permanent Council to present a report on this matter to the twenty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly.
AGRES. 1249 (XXIII-O/93)

SITUATION OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES IN THE AMERICAN HEMISPHERE

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

CONSIDERING:

That the Western Hemisphere Conference on Persons with Disabilities was held during the second fortnight of March 1993, under the aegis of the Organization of American States, and was attended by the First Ladies of several member states;

That the Conference drew up an Agenda for the Future (AG/doc.2972/93) which includes significant comments on the situation of disabled persons in the Hemisphere and recommends action guidelines in this area (AG/doc.2973/93);

That, according to figures provided by the Pan American Health Organization, there will be some 33 million disabled persons in the Americas by the end of the 20th century, only 2% of whom will receive any form of services or assistance to improve their situation; and

That actions and measures should be taken to bring about a substantial improvement in the situation of persons with disabilities in the Hemisphere, in line with the recommendations made in the Agenda for the Future; and

NOTING the holding of the International Conference for the Protection of Victims of Armed Conflicts, to be held in Geneva from August 30 to September 1, 1993,

RESOLVES:

1. To take note with satisfaction of the recommendations contained in the Agenda for the Future drawn up by the Western Hemisphere Conference on Persons with Disabilities.

2. To instruct the Permanent Council to undertake an examination of current issues relating to the situation of the disabled in the Hemisphere so as to identify effective disability prevention and rehabilitation measures aimed at achieving equality and full participation of these persons in the social life and in the development of our countries.
3. To request the Permanent Council to explore, in the framework of that examination and in close liaison with the Pan American Health Organization, the possibility of creating a Unit devoted to the problems of the disabled, which would study the various regional needs and interests in that area, in order to develop or provide, *inter alia*:

- guidelines designed to develop regulations to improve the situation of the disabled;
- technical assistance on legislative matters;
- action designed to establish a standard nomenclature for terms related to the disabled; and
- active promotion of exchanges of technical assistance to further develop and extend the scope of the various national resources devoted to the disabled, giving priority to the care of disabled children.

4. To request the member states to advise the Permanent Council, before December 15, 1993, of any measures they may have taken to improve the situation of persons with disabilities.
AG/RES. 1250 (XXIII-O/93)

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session, held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the observations and recommendations of the Permanent Council on the Annual Report of the Administrative Tribunal (AG/doc.2966/93); and

CONSIDERING that the Administrative Tribunal is responsible for carrying out important jurisdictional functions,

RESOLVES:

To take note of, endorse, and transmit to the Administrative Tribunal the observations and recommendations of the Permanent Council on its Annual Report.
AG/RES. 1251 (XXIII-O/93)

IMPLEMENTATION OF RESOLUTION AG/RES. 1184 (XXII-O/92),
ENTERPRISE FOR THE AMERICAS INITIATIVE

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session,
held on June 11, 1993)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the report of the Permanent Council on implementation of resolution AG/RES. 1184 (XXII-O/92) "Enterprise for the Americas Initiative";

RECALLING resolution AG/RES. 1184, whereby the General Assembly approved the Plan of Action submitted by the Permanent Council in response to the request made of it in resolution AG/RES. 1109 (XXI-O/91);

RECOGNIZING the contribution made by the Permanent Council, through its Working Group, in keeping the member states informed of progress in current and new topics by publishing the bulletin Initiative;

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT the need for the Permanent Council to conclude the implementation of the specific projects for which funding was approved by means of resolution AG/RES. 1137 (XXI-O/91); and

CONSIDERING that the General Assembly gave its support to the Enterprise for the Americas Initiative by means of resolution AG/RES. 1156 (XXII-O/92),

RESOLVES:

1. To approve the report of the Permanent Council on implementation of Resolution AG/RES. 1184 (XXII-O/92) "Enterprise for the Americas Initiative."

2. To urge the Permanent Council to continue, through its Working Group charged with studying the Enterprise for the Americas Initiative, to carry out activities in accordance with the provisions of the Plan of Action.

3. To request that the Permanent Council, through the Working Group, continue to study and follow up on new economic policies and advances occurring in the Western Hemisphere in the interrelated areas of trade, investment, and debt.
4. To authorize the appropriation of unobligated resources from the Regular Fund for the biennium 1992-93 to complete the execution of specific projects that have been approved by the Permanent Council in connection with the Enterprise for the Americas Initiative.

5. To request that the Permanent Council, through its Working Group, present a report on its activities to the twenty-fourth regular session of the General Assembly.