AG/RES. 1482 (XXVII-O/97)

MEETING OF MINISTERS OF JUSTICE

(Resolution adopted at the seventh plenary session, held on June 5, 1997)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the report of the Permanent Council on enhancement of the administration of justice in the Americas (CP/doc.2919/97), presented pursuant to resolution AG/RES. 1392 (XXVI-O/96); and

CONSIDERING:

That the Declaration of Panama on the Inter-American Contribution to the Development and Codification of International Law [AG/DEC. 12 (XXVI-O/96)] notes that “it is necessary for member states to reaffirm their full support for the progressive development and codification of international law, for dissemination of information thereon in the framework of the Organization of American States, and for measures allowing greater inter-American legal cooperation”; and

That, to this end, it is essential that, at the highest level, a determination be made of the areas and the ways in which legal and judicial cooperation in the Hemisphere may best be strengthened,

RESOLVES:

1. To underscore the importance of holding a meeting of ministers of justice, or of ministers or attorneys general with competence in this area, to consider issues contributing to enhanced legal and judicial cooperation in the Americas.

2. To instruct the Permanent Council to hold necessary consultations to prepare the agenda and to convene and organize the meeting, within allocated resources approved in the program-budget and other resources.

3. To request the Permanent Council to report on the implementation of this resolution to the General Assembly at its twenty-eighth regular session.