

AG/RES. 1781 (XXXI-O/01)

MEETING OF MINISTERS OF JUSTICE OR OF MINISTERS OR ATTORNEYS
GENERAL OF THE AMERICAS

(Resolution adopted at the third plenary session, held on June 5, 2001)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING SEEN the report of the Permanent Council on the conclusions and recommendations of the Third Meeting of Ministers of Justice or of Ministers or Attorneys General of the Americas (CP/doc.3478/01);

BEARING IN MIND that, in the Plan of Action of the Third Summit of the Americas, the Heads of State and Government decided to “continue to support the work done in the context of the Meetings of Ministers of Justice and Attorneys General of the Americas, whose Fourth Meeting will take place in Trinidad and Tobago, as well as subsequent meetings, and the implementation of their conclusions and recommendations”;

BEARING IN MIND ALSO that, through its resolution AG/RES. 1615 (XXIX-O/99), the General Assembly resolved to thank the Government of Trinidad and Tobago for its generous offer to host the Fourth Meeting of Ministers of Justice or of Ministers or Attorneys General of the Americas and to accept that offer;

HAVING SEEN the relevance of the results of the pilot stage of the project for the information-exchange network on mutual legal assistance and its importance vis-à-vis the objectives of the fight against crime, facilitation of access to justice and connectivity, and strengthening of cooperation in these areas; and

CONSIDERING:

That, pursuant to resolution AG/RES. 1698 (XXX-O/00), the General Assembly transmitted the conclusions and recommendations of the Third Meeting of Ministers of Justice or of Ministers or Attorneys General of the Americas (REMJA-III/doc.14/00 rev. 2), as applicable, to the organs, agencies, and entities of the inter-American system, for implementation as appropriate;

That, pursuant to the said resolution, AG/RES. 1698 (XXX-O/00), the General Assembly instructed the Permanent Council to follow up on the implementation of said conclusions and recommendations, giving special emphasis to those that are to be implemented within the framework of the OAS; and

That, pursuant to resolution AG/RES. 1763 (XXX-O/00), the General Assembly instructed the Permanent Council to carry out the activities mentioned in that resolution within the resources allocated in the program-budget and other resources,

RESOLVES:

1. To convene the Fourth Meeting of Ministers of Justice or of Ministers or Attorneys General of the Americas, to be held in Trinidad and Tobago in 2001, and to instruct the Permanent Council to prepare, with the assistance of the General Secretariat, the agenda and the preliminary documents for the meeting and to set a date for it.

2. To instruct the Permanent Council to continue following up on the implementation of the conclusions and recommendations adopted by the Third Meeting of Ministers of Justice or of Ministers or Attorneys General of the Americas (REMJA-III/doc.14/00 rev. 2), pursuant to the provisions of resolutions AG/RES. 1698 (XXX-O/00) and AG/RES. 1763 (XXX-O/00), and also to request the ministers of justice or ministers or attorneys general to consider continuing the project for the information-exchange network on mutual legal assistance and to seek to implement it throughout the Hemisphere.

3. To instruct the Permanent Council to report to the General Assembly at its thirty-second regular session on the implementation of this resolution