

FUND FOR PEACE: PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF TERRITORIAL DISPUTES<sup>1/</sup>

(Adopted at the fourth plenary session, held on June 5, 2014)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING resolution AG/RES. 1756 (XXX-O/00) Fund for Peace: Peaceful Settlement of Territorial Disputes, through which a specific fund was established to provide member states of the Organization that so request with financial resources to assist with defraying the costs of proceedings previously agreed to by the parties for the peaceful resolution of territorial disputes among member states;

HAVING SEEN:

The “Report of the Fund for Peace: Peaceful Settlement of Territorial Disputes Pursuant to Resolution CP/RES. 781 (1257/00)” (CP/doc.4374/09); and

The section of the Annual Report of the Secretary General on the activities of the Fund for Peace in the period 2008-2009 “Peaceful Settlement of Territorial Disputes (Peace Fund)”; and

CONSIDERING:

That strengthening peace and security, preventing conflicts, and peacefully resolving disputes are among the essential purposes of the Organization of American States, as established in its founding Charter; and

That border and territorial disputes can be a contentious and unnecessary barrier to economic and social development; regularly frustrate trade, environmental protection, security, and law enforcement; and have the potential of leading to armed conflict,

RESOLVES:

1. To instruct the Secretary General to continue to promote the raising and mobilization of funds from member states, permanent observers, other states, international financial institutions, national and international organizations, and other entities and donors to finance the Peace Fund, in particular the Belize/Guatemala Sub-Fund.

2. To urge member states to use the Peace Fund as an effective financial tool for peacefully resolving conflicts through mechanisms envisaged in the Charter of the Organization of American States (OAS), such as direct negotiation, good offices, mediation, investigation, and conciliation.

3. To request the General Secretariat to continue to strengthen its knowledge and experience in the area of peaceful settlement of territorial disputes through the Secretariat for

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1. The Republic of El Salvador acknowledges the efforts and contributions of the OAS Peace Fund and at the same time reiterates its commitment to the mechanisms for the peaceful settlement ...

Political Affairs, under which the Peace Fund is administered pursuant to resolution CP/RES. 781 (1257/00).

4. To acknowledge that the Inter-American Peace Forum operates under the Peace Fund and contributes to the promotion of a culture of peace in OAS member states.

## FOOTNOTE

1. ... of disputes, in accordance with the provisions of international law, its domestic legislation, and specific agreements on the subject.