

COM/CITEL RES. 100 (IX-00)¹

FINANCING AND ADMINISTERING CITEL'S MEETINGS

The Ninth Meeting of the Permanent Executive Committee of CITEL, COM/CITEL,

CONSIDERING:

- a) That COM/CITEL DEC. 18 (VII-98), "Basic Infrastructure needed for CITEL Meetings" establishes guidelines for organizing, administering, and conducting CITEL's meetings, as well as provisions for inclusion in the agreements between CITEL and the Member States hosting those meetings;
- b) That COM/CITEL RES. 67 (VII-98), "Principles Related to the Use of Funds of Associate Members within the Annual Budget of CITEL" regulates the use of the Specific Fund established pursuant to Article 29 of CITEL's Statute to support the meetings and other activities of the Permanent Consultative Committees with the voluntary contributions of the Member States and fees of Associate Members;
- c) That by Resolution CP/RES. 768 (1234/00) (May 24, 2000), entitled "Update of CP/RES. 718 (1150/98), 'Conferences and Meetings Funded by the OAS'," the OAS Permanent Council adopted new guidelines for coordinating the administration of all OAS meetings financed all or in part by the OAS Regular Fund;
- d) That in its August 17, 2000 Report, COM/CITEL's Steering Committee notes that it met with the Director of the Secretariat for Conferences and Meetings, which is the dependency of the OAS General Secretariat entrusted with applying Resolution CP/RES. 768, for the purpose of clarifying the impact of that Resolution on CITEL's meetings and the administration of its funds;
- e) That the Executive Secretary of CITEL has informed COM/CITEL that Resolution CP/RES.768 may be applied in a way that results in greater costs to CITEL and that conflicts with the standards established by COM/CITEL for financing, administering, and conducting its meetings, as well as with its standards for administering its Specific Funds,

RESOLVES:

1. To instruct the Chair of COM/CITEL to consult with the OAS Secretary General in order to inform him of CITEL's rights and obligations to its Associate Members regarding the financing, organization, and administration of its meetings and conferences, as established in its Statute, Regulations, Resolutions, and pertinent Decisions, for the purpose of assuring that Resolution CP/RES. 768 (1234/00) is applied consistently with CITEL's norms.
2. To request that the Chair of COM/CITEL concludes that consultation no later than January 31, 2001, and to report the results to all CITEL Members.
3. In the event that consultation does not produce the desired results, to instruct the Chair of COM/CITEL:

¹ Document COM/CITEL 550/00 rev.2

- a) To request, with the support of CITELE's Executive Secretary the Permanent Council to either amend Resolution CP/RES. 768 (1234/00), or provide guidelines for its application, for the purpose of guaranteeing that the Resolution will not result in increased meeting costs for CITELE or otherwise interfere with CITELE's rules for conducting its meetings and administering and using its Specific Funds; and
- b) To urge Member Administrations to bring this problem to the attention of their foreign ministries for the purpose of obtaining their support for his efforts before the Permanent Council.