

AG/RES. 2939 (XLIX-O/19)

ADVANCING HEMISPHERIC INITIATIVES ON INTEGRAL DEVELOPMENT^{1/2/3/4/5/6/}

(Adopted at the first plenary session, held on June 27, 2019)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

REITERATING the importance of fostering integral development as one of the essential purposes of the Organization as contained in instruments of the inter-American system, such as the Charter of the Organization of American States, the Inter-American Democratic Charter, and the Social Charter of the Americas, as well as the agreed mandates and the initiatives emanating from the Summits of the Americas^{2/};

RECALLING that the work of the Organization of American States relating to the development pillar is governed by the Strategic Plan of the Organization for the 2016-2020 period [[AG/RES. 1 \(LI-E/16\)](#) rev.1)] and the Compilation of the OAS 2019 Comprehensive Strategic Plan ([CP/doc.5469/19 rev. 1](#)), which are aligned with, and contribute to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as the general framework within which it acts;

EMBRACING the outcomes of the meetings of ministers and high authorities within the framework of Inter-American Council for Integral Development (CIDI) in the areas of cooperation and social development, as well as the sectoral processes on ports and micro, small, and medium-sized enterprises;

GIVING CONTINUITY to the provisions of the previous resolution “Advancing Hemispheric Initiatives on Integral Development” ([AG/RES. 2916 \(XLVIII-O/18\)](#)) of the forty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly; and

TAKING NOTE of the progress made by the Secretariat within the framework of the Comprehensive Strategic Plan of the Organization for 2016-2020 [[AG/RES. 1 \(LI-E/16\)](#)] pursuant to its seven strategic lines and its objectives for the integral development pillar and in accordance with the Annual Report of the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development ([CIDI/doc.273/19](#)),

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1. Mexico reiterates the position expressed in its statement delivered at the First Plenary Session of the Forty-Ninth Regular Session of the General Assembly (Item 4. Report of the Secretary General ...
 2. The Plurinational State of Bolivia places on record its position in accordance with Article 1 of the Charter of the Organization of American States, which stipulates: “The American States establish ...
 3. Further to the Statement of the delegation of the Republic of Suriname on June 27, 2019 at the General Assembly of the Organization of American States and with reference to its Statement ...
 4. The Government of Barbados did not support Resolution CP/RES. 1124 (2217/19) of April 9, 2019 which sought to appoint Mr. Gustavo Tarre as the National Assembly’s designated ...
 5. The Government of the Commonwealth of Dominica places on record its reservations to the participation and voting by the purported representative(s) of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela...
 6. Antigua and Barbuda considers that the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela is not a member state of the Organization of American States since, on 27 April 2017, the Government of ...
 7. The Government of the Republic of Nicaragua has expressly stated its reservations to the mandates and initiatives emanating from the Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth Summits of the Americas, ...

RESOLVES:

1. To thank the governments of the following member states that chaired and hosted meetings of ministers and high authorities within the framework of Inter-American Council for Integral Development (CIDI) and sectoral processes since the forty-eighth regular session of the General Assembly, as well as for their hospitality, leadership and commitment:

- Mexico, for the Eleventh Regular Meeting of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP), held in Mexico City on August 1-3, 2018 and the Second Specialized CIDI Meeting of High-Level Cooperation Authorities held in Washington, DC on September 20-21, 2018;
- The United States, for the 10th and 11th Americas Competitiveness Exchanges (ACE), in Northern California from October 21 to 27, 2018 and in Puerto Rico from May 18 to 25, 2019;
- Guatemala, for the Fourth Meeting of Ministers and High Level Authorities on Social Development held in Guatemala City on March 28-29, 2019;
- El Salvador, for the VI Inter-American Dialogue of High-Level Authorities of Micro, Small, and Medium-sized Enterprises (MSMEs) held in San Salvador on April 24-25, 2019.

2. To accept with satisfaction the kind offers of the following member states to chair and/or to host the upcoming meetings of ministers and high authorities within the framework of Inter-American Council for Integral Development (CIDI), and to urge the authorities of all member states to take part in these meetings:

- Antigua and Barbuda, for the Tenth Inter-American Committee Meeting of Ministers on Education within the Framework of CIDI, to be held on July 8-9, 2019 in Washington, DC;
- Argentina, to host the XI Americas Competitiveness Forum on July 25, 2019;
- Honduras to hold the 20th Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Inter-American Committee of Ports (CECIP) on the Island of Roatan on July 17, 2019;
- Barbados, to host the Eighth Inter-American Meeting of Ministers of Culture and Highest Appropriate Authorities within the Framework of CIDI on September 19-20, 2019;
- Jamaica, to host the Fourth Ministerial Meeting of the Energy and Climate Partnership of the Americas (ECPA) in 2020.
- Dominican Republic, to host the Fifth Meeting of Ministers and High Authorities of Social Development within the framework of CIDI, expected to take place in 2021.
- Chile, for the offer to host the 7th Inter-American Dialogue of high-level MSME Authorities scheduled to take place in 2021.

I. REGARDING THE STRATEGIC LINE: “PROMOTING INCLUSIVE AND COMPETITIVE ECONOMIES”:

3. To take note of the Work Plan of the Inter-American Committee on Science and Technology (COMCYT) for the 2018-2020 period ([CIDI/COMCYT/RPA/doc.2/18 rev. 2 corr. 1](#)), and the 2018-2021 Work Plan of the Inter-American Committee on Tourism (CITUR) ([CIDI/CITUR/RA/doc.7/18 rev. 2](#)).

4. To entrust SEDI, in its capacity as Technical Secretariat of COMCyT and following the provisions of the Declaration of Medellín and the COMCyT work plan, to continue to support the Working Groups in their exchanges of experiences on transformative technologies that allow developing innovative policies and regional collaboration programs;

5. To urge Member States to share good practices and information to the Virtual Group of Experts on Technology Foresight for the Americas that will hold a regional meeting "Prospecta Americas" on October 24 and 25, 2019 in Lima, Peru; and to request SEDI to support the Virtual Group in its efforts.

6. To underscore the adoption of the 2019-2021 Work Plan at the VI Inter-American Dialogue of High-Level MSME Authorities and to entrust SEDI to:

- Update the MSME Clearinghouse of successful experiences on replicable policies and programs for the development and entrepreneurship of MSMEs in OAS Member States as well as current initiatives of international and regional organizations working in the field;
- Promote international cooperation initiatives, as resources permit, in order to share and adapt replicable policies and programs to support the MSME sector;
- Promote collaboration and explore synergies, as resources permit, among regional MSMEs initiatives to support the exchange of good practices and institutional strengthening in order to foster regional competitiveness.

7. To instruct that SEDI continue to promote and support, as resources permit, the implementation of the Small Business Development Centres model which aims to improve the MSME support ecosystem throughout the Hemisphere.

8. To entrust SEDI to, within the framework of the CITUR Work Plan, support the organization of the First Indigenous Tourism of the Americas Forum, to be held in Albuquerque, New Mexico, in November 17-19 2019, and to accept with satisfaction the kind offer of the United States of America to host the forum.

9. To endorse the Resolution of Mexico City ([CIDI/CIP/doc.4/18](#)), and to take note of the Mexico City Plan of Action ([CIDI/CIP/doc.5/18](#)) approved during the Eleventh Regular Meeting of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP), held in Mexico City on August 1-3, 2018.

II. REGARDING THE STRATEGIC LINE: “STRENGTHENING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INTER-AMERICAN PROGRAM FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (PIDS) 2016-2021”

10. To instruct SEDI to present to CIDI before the end of 2019, a proposal to streamline and strengthen the OAS’ tools and entities that support cooperation and dialogue on disaster risk management in the Americas, taking into account the objectives and strategic actions in Chapter 3.1 of the PIDS. Such proposal shall be developed in coordination with the relevant areas of the OAS and the corresponding organs and entities of the inter-American system, and be aligned with global efforts on these topics according to national and regional contexts, and its potential implementation will be subject to the availability of financial resources in the program budget of the organization and other resources. The proposal will focus on the exchange of best practices, experiences and lessons learned in thematic areas such as: the design of public policies to improve disaster risk management, institutional strengthening and capacity building, as well as those seeking to improve medium and long term recovery and reconstruction efforts in the Hemisphere. In addition, SEDI shall present an annual report to a joint session of the CIDI and the PC on the activities and achievements of the OAS on disaster risk management, including the cooperation and coordination among different stakeholders working on this area in the Americas.

11. Building on the mandate established by Paragraph 13 of the resolution [AG/RES. 2916 \(XLVIII-O/18\)](#), to instruct SEDI to, in coordination with the relevant areas of the OAS and the Inter-American system, in particular the Secretariat for Multidimensional Security (SMS) and the Committee on Hemispheric Security (CHS), conduct a study, within available resources, of existing tools and entities established within the Inter-American System to address natural disaster response, and to report such findings to a joint meeting of the Permanent Council and CIDI by the end of 2019. The study shall include: (1) the future structure, responsibilities and membership of the Inter-American Committee for Natural Disaster Reduction (IACNDR); (2) the future of the FONDEM, specifically whether it should be abolished or replaced with an instrument that can facilitate the orderly and timely transfer of post-disaster assistance between member states and affected countries; (3) the future of the Inter-American Convention on the Facilitation of Disaster Assistance; (4) the Inter-American Network for Disaster Mitigation (INDM) and (5) incorporate the experiences of member states that have been affected in engaging with these entities.

12. To reaffirm the strategic importance of education to the complete fulfillment of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, recognizing, in accordance with national contexts, the importance of designing and implementing educational programs and initiatives concerning the environment.

13. To instruct the CIP Secretariat to continue its work to implement programs that promote environmental sustainability in Member States, including pollution reduction in the framework of the free Port Incentive Program to reduce Green House Gas (GHG) emissions from cargo ships.

14. To reaffirm the importance of striking an appropriate balance among economic, social and environmental needs, in the context of efforts towards achieving sustainable development in several ways, including in harmony with nature. And to encourage member states, as appropriate,

to continue to raise awareness about it, taking into account that planet Earth and its ecosystems are our home and that Mother Earth is a common expression in a number of countries and regions.

III. REGARDING THE STRATEGIC LINE: “PROMOTING EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT IN THE AMERICAS”

15. To endorse resolution CIDI/RES.337 (LXXXVIII-0/19) adopted by the Inter-American Council on Integral Development on April 9th 2019, wherein the Council endorsed the decisions of the Management Board of the Inter-American Agency for Cooperation and Development, AICD/JD/DE-120/19 entitled “Allocation of Resources in 2019 to the Scholarships and Training Programs of the OAS”, and to request the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development its timely implementation.

16. To continue to support the Scholarships and Training Programs of the OAS, which seek to assist member states in the pursuit of their integral development goals through human resource development and to encourage continued efforts to promote the efficiency, effectiveness and sustainability of these programs, and also reiterating the need to ensure more equitable representation of member states, among scholars and partnering institutions in the context of such programs.

17. To instruct the CIP Secretariat to continue working, in line with the CIP Mexico Plan of Action 2018-2020 and in collaboration with its Members and Strategic Partners, on offering professional development and capacity building opportunities for officials in the port sector in the Americas.

IV. REGARDING THE STRATEGIC LINE: “PROMOTING DECENT, DIGNIFIED, AND PRODUCTIVE WORK FOR ALL”

18. To take note of the Work Plan 2018-2020 of the Inter-American Conference of Ministers of Labor (IACML), updated in January 2019 ([CIDI/CIMT/RPA/doc.8/19](#)).

19. To entrust the SEDI to continue to support the Work Plan 2018-2020 of the IACML and its goal of achieving decent, dignified and productive work for all; through regional and bilateral cooperation initiatives.

20. To encourage member states to foster and strengthen training, workforce development and professional guidance programs, including by fostering strategic partnerships with the private sector, civil society organizations and academia, in order to help provide young people and adults, including senior citizens, with relevant skills to access employment, decent work and entrepreneurship, according to their national legislation and international obligations.

V. REGARDING THE STRATEGIC LINE: “FOSTERING THE PROMOTION AND PROTECTION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF MIGRANTS, INCLUDING MIGRANT WORKERS AND THEIR FAMILIES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INTER-AMERICAN PROGRAM ON THIS SUBJECT TO ENHANCE THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO DEVELOPMENT”^{8/}

21. To take note of the CAM meetings held to follow up on the Inter-American Program for the Promotion and Protection of the Human Rights of Migrants, Including Migrant Workers and their Families and to publicize the best practices presented by such program actors including the activities and recommendations presented by: the Inter-American Children’s Institute, the Secretariat for Multidimensional Security, the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, and the Inter-American Commission of Women.

22. To take note of the dialogues and exchanges of experiences, lessons learned, and best practices, undertaken in the thematic sessions on “Migration and Health”, “International Regulatory Instruments for Labor Migration and the Rights of Migrant Workers”, “Actions by States in Implementing the Policies for Vulnerable Groups in Migratory Processes”, “Migration in the Americas from a Comparative Viewpoint”, and “Actions for Meeting Target 10 goal c of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (Reduce Inequality within and among countries) as Regards to Remittances” .

23. To highlight the importance of the Continuous Reporting System on International Migration in the Americas (SICREMI), as the region’s instrument for generating and analyzing information on migratory flows and on regulatory frameworks and public policies for migration in the Hemisphere and also as applicable as a regional contribution to the goals of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and to the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration adopted by a majority of states in the General Assembly of the United Nations in December 2018. To instruct the General Secretariat subject to the availability of resources to undertake the necessary actions to guarantee the elaboration of the next edition of the SICREMI report with the goal of presenting it at the 50th OAS General Assembly; and encourage member states to take part in SICREMI and to them and the Observer States to join this initiative by considering contributing with voluntary funds for its financial sustainability.^{9/}

24. To acknowledge the need to promote a safe, orderly, and regular migration and that states promote migratory public policy actions to address the causes and reduce the negative effects and incidence of irregular migration, which includes a high number of children in condition of vulnerability; in addition to encourage countries of the region to strengthen the implementation and/or to establish effective cooperation agreements and protocols for the assistance and protection of children taking into account human rights.^{10/}

8. With regard to references to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in this text, the United States takes this opportunity to make important points of clarification on language related to the ...

9. Chile has been a founder, driver, and active member of SICREMI and it highlights the contribution of the latter to the mention and design of migration policies in the Americas; however, it is unable ...

10. Chile has assimilated the contents of the 2030 SDGs into its policy on migration, particularly SDG 10.7, to do with facilitating orderly, safe, regular and responsible migration and mobility of people, ...

25. Highlighting the importance of continuing, to strengthen and foster constructive dialogue, and regional and bilateral cooperation, as appropriate, in migratory issues when confronting the migration challenges in the Hemisphere as well as the different modalities in the region in migratory issues in the inter- American system, especially in the Permanent Council and the Inter-American Council for Integral Development (CIDI) and its organs and its subsidiary bodies, such as the Committee on Migration Issues in accordance with what was stated in the AG/RES. 2910 (XLVII-O/17), "Migration in the Americas," and the declaration PC/DS/68 (2099/16) "Inter-American Cooperation to Address the Challenges and Opportunities of Migration", approved in the Permanent Council on December 15th, 2016.

VI. REGARDING THE STRATEGIC LINE: "FOSTER COOPERATION FOR DEVELOPMENT AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PARTNERSHIPS"

26. To welcome the hosting of the Second Specialized Meeting of CIDI of High-Level Cooperation Authorities, and to welcome its final report ([CIDI/RECOOP-II/doc.8/18](#)) as reference for deepening the dialogue between the High-Level Authorities of Cooperation and for future actions to be adopted within the framework of CIDI.

VII. REGARDING THE STRATEGIC LINE: "FOSTERING SOCIAL INCLUSION WITH EQUITY TO CONTRIBUTE TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN THE AMERICAS"

27. Endorse the Inter-American Declaration on Social Development Priorities ([CIDI/REMDES/DEC.1/19](#)).

28. Highlight the adoption of the first inter-American plan of action on Social Development "Plan of Action of Guatemala 2019, Overcoming Multidimensional Poverty and Bridging Social Equity Gaps: Towards an Inter-American Agenda on Social Development" (CIDI/REMDES/doc.6/19 rev.3), and encourage member states to support its implementation and to consider participating in the proposed working groups for the implementation of said Plan.

29. To request the General Secretariat to create a specific fund for voluntary contributions that will be named: "Fund for the implementation of the Guatemala Action Plan 2019", with the objective of financing the activities proposed in said Plan, and to be administered by the Department of Social Inclusion of SADE.

30. Encourage member states and entrust SADE, as the Technical Secretariat, to continue to support the strengthening of the capacity of the Inter-American Social Protection Network (IASPN), as one of the main mechanisms for cooperation and technical assistance, among the institutions responsible for social development in the region.

31. To continue providing technical assistance to member states upon request, for their formulation and implementation of policies to ensure the full integral development of all children and adolescents, within the overarching framework of the current Comprehensive Strategic Plan of the Organization; and to encourage Member States, as appropriate, to continue investing in this area, in accordance with their legislation, national priorities and available resources.

32. To thank Peru for its leadership and commitment as chair of the OAS Consumer Safety and Health Network (CHSN) for the period 2018-2019, as well as to congratulate the Dominican Republic for assuming the presidency of the CHSN for the period 2019 -2020.

VIII. REGARDING THE CONTINUATION OF SECTORAL PROCESSES WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF CIDI:

33. To adopt the following schedule of meetings of Ministers and High-level Authorities within the framework of CIDI and to instruct the General Secretariat to continue implementing the guidelines agreed to in the triennial ministerial cycle in coordination with the competent authorities in each sector.

Sectoral Process	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
1. Tourism		II CITUR meeting	XXV Tourism Ministerial (Paraguay)		III CITUR meeting	XXVI Tourism Ministerial (host TBD)
2. Ports		XI CIP meeting (Argentina)		XII CIP meeting (host TBD)		
3. Education	X Education Ministerial (OAS HQ, July 8-9)		IX CIE meeting	XI Education Ministerial (host TBD)		X CIE meeting
4. Cooperation			III Cooperation Ministerial (host TBD)			IV Cooperation Ministerial (host TBD)
5. Social Development	IV Social Development Ministerial (Guatemala, Mar. 28-29)	V CIDES meeting	V Social Development Ministerial (Dominican Rep.)		VI CIDES meeting	VI Social Development Ministerial (host TBD)
6. Culture	VIII Culture Ministerial (Barbados, Sep. 19-20)		VI CIC meeting	IX Culture Ministerial (Guatemala)		VII CIC meeting
7. Sustainable Development		IV Sustainable Development Ministerial (host TBD)		VI CIDS meeting	V Sustainable Development Ministerial (host TBD)	
8. Science and Technology	IX COMCyT Meeting (OAS HQ, Nov. 21-22)	VI Science & Tech. Ministerial Jamaica		X COMCyT meeting	VII Science & Tech. Ministerial (host TBD)	
9. Labor	Labor WG meeting (Ecuador, Nov.)	XXI Labor Ministerial (host TBD)		Labor WG meeting	XXII Labor Ministerial (host TBD)	

<p><i>Other meetings* (for reference only)</i></p>	<p>XI Americas Competitiveness Forum and RIAC <i>(Argentina, July 25)</i></p> <p>VI MSME High-level dialogue <i>(El Salvador)</i></p>	<p>IV ECPA <i>(Jamaica)</i></p>	<p>VII MSME High-level dialogue <i>(El Salvador)</i></p>			
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* Other sectoral process meetings that support CIDI's priorities but which, as at the adoption of this resolution, were not considered official ministerial processes subject to the triennial ministerial cycle and did not receive funding from the OAS Regular Fund.

Acronyms:

CIC: Inter-American Committee on Culture

CIDES: Inter-American Committee on Social Development

CIDS: Inter-American Committee on Sustainable Development

CIE: Inter-American Committee on Education

CIP: Inter-American Committee on Ports

CITUR: Inter-American Committee on Tourism

COMCyT: Inter-American Committee on Science and Technology

ECPA: Energy and Climate Partnership for the Americas

RIAC: Inter-American Competitiveness Network

MSME: Micro, small, and medium-sized enterprises

IX. REGARDING THE MONITORING OF ADVANCES, CONTRIBUTIONS AND RESOURCES:

34. To request CIDI to report to the General Assembly at its fiftieth regular session on the implementation of this resolution.

35. To thank those member states that have contributed financial, logistical, and human resources to support the programs and activities mentioned in this resolution, and to request the General Secretariat to continue developing new partnerships.

36. To reiterate that the execution of the activities envisaged in this resolution shall be subject to the availability of financial resources in the program-budget of the Organization and other resources.

FOOTNOTES

1. ... on Credentials) and in the Footnote to the 'Report of the Secretary General on the Presentation of Credentials of the Delegations Taking Part in the Forty-Ninth Regular Session of the General Assembly,' document AG/doc.5653/19.

2. ... by this Charter the international organization that they have developed to achieve an order of peace and justice, to promote their solidarity, to strengthen their collaboration, and to defend their sovereignty, their territorial integrity, and their independence.

"The Organization of American States has no powers other than those expressly conferred upon it by this Charter, none of whose provisions authorizes it to intervene in matters that are within the internal jurisdiction of the Member States."

It also clearly places on record that, in keeping with Article 143 of the Charter of the Organization of American States, its denunciation by a member state shall come into effect two years after the receipt thereof, at which time it shall cease to be in force with respect to the denouncing state, which shall be left without rights and duties and unattached from all actions and decisions of the Organization.

The Plurinational State of Bolivia reserves the right to recognize resolutions and declarations adopted with the participation of non-member states.

3. ... during the Regular Meeting of the Permanent Council of April 23, 20 19 in relation to Resolution CP/ RES.1124 (2217/ 19) rev.2 of April 9, 20 19, the delegation of the Republic of Suriname wishes to put on record that until further notice, Suriname reserves its rights to recognize All Resolutions and Declarations that will be adopted on the occasion of the 49th Regular Session of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States.

This reservation is based on our firm rejection of the selective interpretation of the procedural rules and other leg al instruments of the Organization of American States.

4. ... Permanent Representative to the OAS and does not accept the credentials of the officials intending to represent the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela at this 49th Meeting of the General Assembly of the OAS. The Government of Barbados therefore reserves its rights, until further notice, not to be bound by any decisions or Resolutions adopted at this General Assembly in which the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela participated.

5. ... on any resolutions, declarations, elections considered by the Forty-Ninth Regular Session of the General Assembly and any other body of the Organization of American States (OAS).

The Government of The Commonwealth of Dominica also places on record its view that in keeping with Article 143 of the Charter of the OAS which provides, inter alia, that the denunciation by a Member State shall come into effect *two (2) years from the date on which the General Secretariat receives a notice of denunciation, the present Charter shall cease to be in force with respect to the denouncing State, which shall cease to belong to the Organization*; that the denouncing State shall be without rights and duties and shall be unattached from all actions and decisions of the Organization; that Venezuela is no longer a Member State of the OAS and therefore not entitled to have a seat at the OAS. The Government of The Commonwealth of Dominica therefore does not recognise any person who occupies the seat of Venezuela who is not a person duly appointed by the Government of the State of Venezuela.

The Government of the Commonwealth of Dominica reserves its full rights in respect of the recognition resolutions and declarations adopted by the Forty-Ninth Regular Session of the General Assembly and any resolution and declaration approved thereafter with the participation by the purported representatives of Venezuela.

6. ... the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela properly notified the Secretary-General of its denunciation of the Charter in accordance with Article 143 of the Charter of the Organization of American States and the Charter ceased to be in force with respect to the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela which ceased to belong to the organization on 27 April 2019.

Antigua and Barbuda did not support resolution CP/RES 1124 (2217/19) of April 9, 2019 which sought to appoint Mr. Gustavo Tarre as the National Assembly's Representative to the OAS and did not accept the credentials of the officials intending to represent the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela at the 49th Regular Session of the General Assembly.

Therefore Antigua and Barbuda notifies all member states and the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States that until further notice, it will not consider itself bound by any declaration or resolution of the 49th Regular Session of the General Assembly or any future declarations or resolutions of any Council or organ of the Organization that includes the participation of any person or entity purporting to speak for or act on behalf of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and in which 18 votes are attained with the participation of a purported representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

7. ... due to the fact that the Heads of State and Government at those Summits did not adopt the political declarations containing the mandates and the operative paragraphs on the thematic areas that were part of the political declaration.

With respect to the Eighth Summit of the Americas, the Republic of Nicaragua does not approve the Lima Commitment "Democratic Governance against Corruption," nor other documents, declarations, communiqués, or resolutions issued by the Eighth Summit of the Americas, because it was not involved in negotiating them.

8. 2030 Agenda. We underscore that the 2030 Agenda is non-binding and does not create or affect rights or obligations under international law, nor does it create any new financial commitments. The United States recognizes the 2030 Agenda as a global framework for sustainable development that can help countries work toward global peace and prosperity. We applaud the call for shared responsibility, including national responsibility, in the 2030 Agenda and emphasize that all countries have a role to play in achieving its vision. The 2030 Agenda recognizes that each country must work toward implementation in accordance with its own national policies and priorities. The United States also underscores that paragraph 18 of the 2030 Agenda calls for countries to implement the Agenda in a manner that is consistent with the rights and obligations of States under international law. We also highlight our mutual recognition in paragraph 58 that 2030 Agenda implementation must respect and be without prejudice to the independent mandates of other processes and institutions, including negotiations, and does not prejudice or serve as precedent for decisions and actions underway in other forums. For example, this Agenda does not represent a commitment to provide new market access for goods or services. This Agenda also does not interpret or alter any WTO agreement or decision, including the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property.

With respect to references to the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly, and Regular Migration in this text, as noted in our December 7, 2018, national statement posted on the USUN website, the United States does not support the Compact or the September 2016 New York Declaration. We therefore object to the adoption of resolutions that establish processes to implement or support the migration Compact objectives. We are not bound by any of the endorsements, commitments, or outcomes stemming from the Compact process or contained in the Compact itself. The United States proclaims and reaffirms its belief that decisions about how

to secure its borders, and who to admit for legal residency or citizenship, are among the most important sovereign decisions a State can make. They are not subject to negotiation or review in international instruments or fora. The United States also opposes the creation of new funding mechanisms and bureaucracies when there are already multiple UN agencies that manage existing mechanisms for addressing migration related issues, such as through the IOM, the ILO, and UNODC.

The United States also notes the direct and indirect references in this text to a range of international instruments to which many countries, including the United States, are not a party, creating a false sense of implicit international support and recognition for such documents. For instance, the United States is not a party to the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families, the Convention on the Rights of the Child, and International Labor Organization (ILO) conventions in the area of labor migration. The United States is not bound by obligations or commitments contained in international instruments to which it is not a party.

9. ... to support this paragraph, owing to the reference it makes to the Global Compact for Migration. Chile expressly and explicitly stated at the United Nations General Assembly on December 19, 2018, that it did not accede to the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration; therefore, it will not be party to any mention of the Compact in which it may participate or collaborate with its position and/or consensus.

10. ... including through the implementation of planned and well-managed migration policies.