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41st MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

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RESOLUTION 1

SUPPORT FOR THE CREATION OF THE IBERO-AMERICAN NETWORK OF GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION INFRASTRUCTURES

The 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

That, as decided by the Member States, the goal of the PAIGH is to foster and coordinate activities and studies to develop cartography, geography, history, geophysics and related sciences of interest for the Americas;

That there is a close connection with Spain as a permanent observer country of the PAIGH and the accomplishments and cooperation provided have contributed to the development of the PAIGH;

That there is a cooperation agreement in force between the PAIGH and the Geographic Institute of Spain (IGN), signed in Caracas, Venezuela in November 2005, to carry out cooperation activities in the fields of training, research, dissemination and production of cartographic, geographic, geodesic and geophysics information connected to institutional objectives;

The circumstances of the region and the interest of the parties in enhancing the mechanisms through which Ibero-American cooperation is carried out, it is essential to, on the one hand, consider options to provide assistance to the PAIGH in its tasks and, on the other hand, motivate, together with other regional initiatives, capacity building in the institutions in charge of producing and applying geographic information as part of the development underway of geospatial information infrastructures in the Member States;

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The recommendations of the 70th Meeting of Officers and the Scientific Policy Committee,

RESOLVES:

1. To express its acquiescence of the initiative of the IGN of Spain, permanent representative of Spain before the PAIGH, to create, within the framework of the Ibero - American Conference and with the concurrence of other regional initiatives, the Ibero - American Network of Geographic Information Infrastructures.
2. To express its desire and wish that the Network will contribute to consolidate and optimize the work of the PAIGH in the Americas and the development of the national agencies which comprise it.
3. To propose to future members of the Network and its Authorities that Member States of the PAIGH that do not belong to the Ibero - American region be invited to participate in the Network as observers.
4. Insofar as it is within institutional and logistic possibilities, to support the initiative so the creation, operation and development of the Ibero - American Network of Geographic Information Infrastructures Network reaches its objectives.

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RESOLUTION 2

RATIFICATION OF THE SUBSTITUTIVE AGREEMENT SIGNED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF ECUADOR AND THE PAIGH REGARDING THE CEPEIGE

The 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

That article 9 of the Rules of Procedure for the General Secretariat states the Secretary General will: "14) subscribe agreements, memorandums of understanding and their equivalents with governments, international organizations or private institutions, which must subsequently be ratified by the General Assembly or Directing Council";

That on July 4, 2003 the government of Ecuador requested the agreement between the government of Ecuador and the Pan American Institute of Geography and History for the creation and operation in Ecuador of the Pan American Center for Geographical Studies and Research (CEPEIGE), signed on December 3, 1973 be updated;

That in Resolution 27 reached in Venezuela 2005, the General Assembly of the PAIGH, in view of the fact that the parties had agreed upon the need to reconsider and update the Agreement, resolved to instruct the Secretary General to inform the government of Ecuador of the willingness of the PAIGH to reconsider, renounce or update the agreement;

That on December 11, 2007 a Substitutive Agreement to the Agreement signed on December 3, 1973 between the government of Ecuador and the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) for the creation and operation in Ecuador of the CEPEIGE was signed;

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The recommendations of the 69th and 70th Meeting of Officers and the Scientific Policy Committee,

RESOLVES:

To ratify the substitutive agreement signed in Mexico City by the ambassador of the Republic of Ecuador in Mexico and the Secretary General of the PAIGH on December 11, 2007.

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RESOLUTION 3

2010 - 2020 PAN AMERICAN AGENDA OF THE PAIGH

The 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

That in Resolution V (Colombia, 2007) the Directing Council arranged for the preparation of the Pan American Agenda;

That after constituting the *pro tempore* advisory committee stipulated in the aforementioned resolution, the General Secretariat of the PAIGH held the first workshop for the Agenda in which Officers of the PAIGH, Committee members and National Section chairs participated. That there is sufficient information to establish the bases for the preparation of the 2010 - 2020 Pan American Agenda for the PAIGH;

That the OAS, through the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development, has indicated its support of the initiative;

The recommendations of the 69th and 70th Meeting of Officers and the Scientific Policy Committee,

RESOLVES:

1. To follow these principles while preparing the Agenda:
 - The Agenda must redefine, encourage and consolidate the role of the PAIGH as an identifier and articulator of regional and institutional competencies with more precision and scope.

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- The Agenda must consolidate the goals of the PAIGH and to that end, aim for a continental scale and reflect its broad, relevant, creative and original vision based on multidisciplinary, interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary outlooks, fostering in-depth knowledge and transcending borders and cultural differences amongst the Member States of the PAIGH.
 - Based on integration and concord criteria that are natural to the Institute, the Agenda must encourage the Commissions of the PAIGH and their committees and work teams to act as the active Pan American community they are.
2. To develop the Agenda based on the following non-exclusive aims:
- Consolidation of the Institute as a **Pan American regional forum** to advance geographic information for the integral development of the Member States by strengthening necessary infrastructure, scientific networks and institutional ties. It must also undertake cartographic, geographic, history and geophysics studies and analyses which are key for the understanding and development of the peoples of the Americas.
 - Identification of actions that articulate and pinpoint institutional competencies that contribute to **regional integration** in specific fields such as climate change, territorial organization and natural disasters.
 - Fostering development of spatial data bases, including information obtained from the systematic observation of Earth from space in order to assist with decision making processes and especially to make **early warning systems more efficient and improve disaster response systems.**

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- In order to improve the **rationality behind the sustainable use of natural resources**, assist with the development of quality information required to analyze processes connected to specific fields such as soil degradation, impacts on biodiversity, occupancy of coastal lands, contamination, forest fires, identification and occupancy of risk zones (including adjacent international areas) and the depletion of natural resources, particularly mineral resources.
 - **Promotion of innovative variants for the study of Pan American history**, in fields such as environmental history, historiography, regional integration processes, advancement and conservation of cultural heritage, preservation of historic archives and institutional commemoration of significant regional historic events.
 - Foster the identification of pertinent Sustainable Development Indicators and mechanisms in order to share data bases related to the problem, including proposed indicators that allow for the **comparison of countries and the development of regional projects**.
3. To recommend that the process of preparing the Agenda bear in mind elements that are characteristic of the rapprochement between the PAIGH and the development of Cartography, Geography, History and Geophysics in the Americas, highlighting:
- The need to contribute to the modernization of the National Sections and a heightened sense of co-responsibility with the Institute.
 - The promotion of the institutional development of organizations connected to the production of continental cartographic, geographic and geophysics information.

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- The need to boost the visibility of the work carried out by the PAIGH. To that end the PAIGH should undertake a campaign aimed at a group of international organizations to leverage the full execution of projects.
 - The need to favor the active and multidisciplinary participation of agencies and specialists and the consolidation of the Pan American Network of Professionals in order to effectively integrate the community, especially the next generation of specialists.
4. To coordinate with the OAS, through the General Secretariat, the possibility and opportunity of holding a meeting with ministers and high authorities connected to the subject, in order to submit and adopt the Agenda and get backing for its constitutive elements from the Member States.
 5. To request the Secretariat circulate documents related to the Agenda among the National Sections and active members of the Pan American community in order to consult with the specialists in a timely and adequate manner and take their opinion into account.

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RESOLUTION 4

DECLARATION OF THE PAIGH SYMPOSIUM: "RISKS AND DISASTER PREVENTION DURING VOLCANIC EVENTS"

The 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

That Resolution 11 of the XVIII General Assembly (Venezuela, 2005) provided that activities developed by the commissions of the PAIGH be encouraged and to that end, it agreed to prioritize the subject of "Prevention, response and mitigation of effects caused by natural disasters";

That at the 41st Meeting of the Directing Council, the Commissions of Geography and Geophysics of the PAIGH, the Geographic and National Cadastre Institute of El Salvador, headquarters of the National Section of the PAIGH in El Salvador, and the General Secretariat called for a PAIGH Symposium to be held on the subject of "Risks and Disaster Prevention During Volcanic Events" so as to foster processes that will add value and contribute to the 2010 – 2020 Pan American Agenda of the PAIGH;

The recommendations of the 70th Meeting of Officers and the Scientific Policy Committee,

RESOLVES:

1. To accept the final declaration enacted by the delegates to the PAIGH Symposium "Risks and Disaster Prevention During Volcanic Events" as their own. The text is attached to this Resolution.

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2. Submit the content to the 2010 – 2020 Pan American Agenda of the PAIGH preparatory committee so multidisciplinary work and scientific activities connected to natural disasters and their consequences is properly incorporated into the Institute's plans and projects.

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THE SAN SALVADOR DECLARATION

Attendees of the: "Risks and Disaster Prevention during Volcanic Events" Symposium organized as part of the technical projects of the 41st Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History,

Considering that:

The Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) encourages technical and scientific cooperation among the Member States;

The American continent is extremely vulnerable to threats posed by volcanic activity;

Studies aimed at evaluating volcanic hazards and their possible impact on the land and its inhabitants should not be dealt with by a single discipline;

Atlases of hazards and risks are key tools for the design of development and territorial organization plans;

Globally, volcanic eruptions have a direct impact on changes in the environment;

The work directed at defining the 2010 – 2020 Pan American Agenda,

Recommend:

1. That Officers of the PAIGH and Directing Council back and push for interdisciplinary studies that will lead to an understanding of the behavior of active volcanoes in the region. Said studies must include the PAIGH's four Commissions.

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2. That Hazard and Risk Maps and Atlases be tools that are continuously updated, thus their development must be carried out digitally with IT instruments that allow for interoperability.
3. That when developing the information systems that will act as the foundation of the dynamic Maps and Atlases, they consider the concepts related to Spatial Data Infrastructure.
4. That the unification of methodological criteria for the evaluation of volcanic hazards be fostered so as to have an efficient and objective assessment of the risks involved.

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RESOLUTION 5

PAN AMERICAN LABORATORY FOR THE OBSERVATION OF NATURAL DISASTERS

The 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

That Resolution 11 of the XVIII General Assembly provided that activities developed by the commissions of the PAIGH, aimed at their integration, be encouraged and to that end, it agreed to prioritize the subject of "Prevention, response and mitigation of the effects caused by natural disasters";

That since 2007, and with the support of the Commissions on Geophysics and Geography, the "Detection and Follow – up of Forest Fires in Mexico and Central America" project has been backed. Said project is being implemented by the National Meteorological Service of Mexico (SMN). The results point to the appropriateness of scientifically observing the behavior of specific phenomena associated to the growing impact of natural disasters and the need to provide technical cooperation so PAIGH Member States can understand, prevent and respond adequately to them;

That at the Institute's facilities there is a spot which previously housed the PAIGH's "José Toribio Medina" Bibliographic Fund. Said Fund is now located at Mexico's National School of Anthropology and History (ENAH). That this now empty spot has the minimum conditions to set up and develop necessary scientific documentation, accommodate interns, hold workshops to bring together the Pan American community on the subject of "Prevention, response and mitigation of the effects caused by natural disasters";

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That the SMN of the National Water Commission of Mexico has expressed an interest in jointly contributing, with the PAIGH, to the physical and technological development of the center that will allow greater attention to this issue. That several scientific and international cooperation organizations have likewise indicated their interest and desire to support this endeavor;

The recommendations of the 70th Meeting of Officers and the Scientific Policy Committee,

RESOLVES:

1. To provide for the creation of the Pan American Laboratory for the Observation of Natural Disasters at PAIGH's headquarters and support its operation with the resources made available by the General Secretariat with Mexico's National Meteorological Service and other international agencies and organizations.
2. In the scientific work plans for the Laboratory, to initially give precedence to the issues that arise from the development and recommendations of the "2010 – 2020 Pan American Agenda".

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RESOLUTION 6

IMPLEMENTATION OF INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS IN THE PRODUCTION AND ACCESS TO SPATIAL INFORMATION IN THE AMERICAS

(On-Line Information Services on Data and Spatial Data Catalogues)

The 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

That it is the PAIGH's goal to foster and coordinate cartographic and geographic activities of interest to its Member States;

That for years the PAIGH has produced guides, technical specifications and standards that are crucial to harmonize the production of spatial data and basic and thematic cartography for the benefit of the Member States and regional integration;

That since 1998, the Geographic Information/Geomatics Committee of the International Standards Organization (ISO/TC 211) has spearheaded global production of standards pertaining to the description of objects and phenomena on Earth which are key to define, describe, administer, enter, process, analyze, access, present, transfer, interoperate and apply geographic data and information in electronic/digital format for users and application systems;

That the PAIGH has been a regional member of the ISO/TC 211 Committee since 2004 and since then has worked on the preparation of the Latin American Metadata Profile and the related registry service with the support of international organizations and the National Sections of the PAIGH;

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That the role of the PAIGH in the promotion and proper use of these standards at the sub regional and continental level must be updated and to that end it would be appropriate to develop capacities linked to the registry of documents and specifications and the creation of specific regional and sub regional profiles that stimulate the production of spatial data that comply with international regulations in the Member States;

The recommendations of the 70th Meeting of Officers and the Scientific Policy Committee,

RESOLVES:

1. To authorize the Secretary General so that, in agreement with the Chairperson of the Commission on Cartography, develops the institutional capacity for establishing, operating and maintaining a geographic metadata information and catalogue service in keeping with ISO standards which will be translated into a service to be provided to the Member States and the Pan American community at no cost and with no restrictions as to its use.
2. To authorize the Secretary General so that, in agreement with the Chairperson of the Commission on Cartography, develops the necessary consultation mechanisms with the Pan American community so as to adopt the Latin American Metadata Profile (LAMP), implement the multilingual registry service and corresponding regulations.

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RESOLUTION 7

2007 FINANCIAL REPORT

The 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The review of the 2007 fiscal year Financial Report;

The successful management of fiscal year 2007 by the General Secretariat that was translated into an increase in the patrimony, as well as the noteworthy reduction of the maintenance quotas owed to the Institute;

The recommendations of the 69th Meeting of Officers and the Financial Policy Committee,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve the 2007 Financial Report.
2. To congratulate the General Secretariat for the positive results obtained during fiscal year 2007.

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RESOLUTION 8

2007 AUDIT REPORT

The 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The Audit Report submitted by the accounting firm of "Despacho Munir Hayek, S.C." for January 1 through December 31, 2007;

The recommendations of the 69th Meeting of Officers and the Financial Policy Committee,

RESOLVES:

1. To approve the Audit Report corresponding to fiscal year 2007.
2. To authorize the Secretary General of the PAIGH to hire auditing services for the Institute for 2008.

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RESOLUTION 9

2009 ANNUAL QUOTAS

The 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

That Resolution IV (2007) stipulated that the same scale of quotas for 2007 remain in place for 2008;

That after examining Resolution 2437 (2008) adopted by the OAS to set its quotas for 2009-2011, the conclusion was reached that implementing it would not necessarily have a positive effect on the budgetary revenues of the PAIGH's Regular Fund;

That in order to carry out the mandate of the PAIGH, it is necessary to have the resources that the execution of the mandate require and that the scale of quotas has not changed since 1996;

That the 2010 – 2020 Pan American Agenda is currently being prepared and that it consists of a series of actions for which execution requires the backing of the Member States of the PAIGH;

The recommendations of the 69th and 70th Meeting of Officers and the Financial Policy Committee,

RESOLVES:

1. To keep the 2008 scale of quotas for 2009.

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2. Based on the Pan American Agenda, which requires the support of the Member States, to propose an adjustment in quotas in order to fulfill its mandate. This is to be considered for 2010, in the understanding that any added revenue will be applied with precedence to back resulting scientific program activities.

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RESOLUTION 10

INCREASE IN THE OPERATIONAL FUND

The 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

That the Operational Fund was created with the objective of dealing with the budgetary contingencies of the Institute;

That in view of unforeseen circumstances that might arise regarding the payment of annual quotas and the difficulties in making adjustments to contribution quotas, the cap established for the creation of the Operational Fund must be reviewed;

That the 2007 Audit Report recommends fiscal surpluses be managed wisely;

The recommendations of the 69th Meeting of Officers and the Financial Policy Committee,

RESOLVES:

To modify Article 44 of the Financial Rules of Procedure as follows:

"Article 44. The Operational Fund has been constituted to cover the budgetary contingencies of the Institute. The amount of this fund can not be in excess of 35% of the Regular Fund for that year."

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RESOLUTION 11

2009 BUDGET

The 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The Draft Program Budget submitted by the General Secretariat for 2009;

The recommendations of the Financial Policy Committee,

RESOLVES:

To approve the Program Budget for 2009.

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RESOLUTION 12

MODIFICATION OF ARTICLE 18 OF THE ORGANIC STATUTES

The 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

That Article 18 of the Organic Statutes states: "(...) During the period between meetings of the Directing Council, the President through the General Secretariat may request decisions on urgent matters by a vote by registered official mail from the Member States, as provided for in the Rules of Procedure. The vote by mail shall not take place if any Member State submits an objection to the use of such procedure."

That, practically speaking, new information technologies make key provisions of this Article obsolete and it must therefore be updated;

The recommendations of the 69th Meeting of Officers and the Administrative Policy Committee,

RESOLVES:

To modify the third paragraph of Article 18 of the Organic Statutes as follows:

"Article 18. (...)During the period between meetings of the Directing Council, the President together with the Secretary General, may request decisions on urgent matters by official vote issued by the Member States."

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RESOLUTION 13

OFFICIAL VOTE

The 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

That in order to make the administration of the Institute efficient, it must define the meaning of the term "official vote of the Member States";

The recommendations of the 69th Meeting of Officers and the Administrative Policy Committee,

RESOLVES:

To define "official vote" as the vote issued by the Minister of Foreign Affairs or whomever acts as such in representation of the Member State or by the Chairperson of the National Section when the nature of the consultation so allows.

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RESOLUTION 14

HONORARY AFFILIATES

The 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

Resolution VII of the XXI Meeting of the Directing Council and Resolution V of the XXIV Meeting of the Directing Council;

The recommendations of the 70 Meeting of Officers and the Administrative Policy Committee,

RESOLVES:

1. To name Dr. Edelmira González González from the Republic of Chile Honorary Affiliate of the PAIGH.
2. To request that the Secretary General inform Dr. González of this honor and invite the National Section of Chile to assist in spreading news of this decision.

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RESOLUTION 15

ELECTION OF APEF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

That Resolution XVII of the XXXIX Directing Council (Chile, 2006) modified APEF Rules of Procedure thereby fulfilling Resolution No. 25 of the XVIII General Assembly (Venezuela, 2005);

That as a result, on September 5, 2008 the General Secretariat proceeded to call upon the Member States to submit candidates to constitute said Committee in order to conclude the 2005-2009 period and to proceed to elect them at the 41st Directing Council;

The list of candidates submitted by the Member States of the PAIGH;

The recommendations of the 70th Meeting of Officers and the Administrative Policy Committee,

RESOLVES:

1. To elect Mr. Juan Ramón Menjívar Santos, proposed by El Salvador, as APEF Committee member.
2. To elect Dr. Darío A. Euraque, proposed by Honduras, as APEF Committee member.

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3. The elected parties can, with the backing of their countries, submit their names for consideration by the 19th General Assembly of the PAIGH for the 2009-2013 period.

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RESOLUTION 16

ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORTS OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL AND COMMISSION CHAIRPERSONS

The 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The Reports of Activities submitted by the Secretary General and the Chairpersons of the Commissions of Cartography, Geography, History and Geophysics;

The recommendation of the First Plenary Session,

RESOLVES:

To accept the aforementioned Reports and congratulate the Officers mentioned above for an outstanding job.

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RESOLUTION 17

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS FROM NATIONAL SECTIONS

The 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

That Article 38, point 5 of the Organic Statutes of the PAIGH stipulates that one of the duties of the National Sections is to report each year to the Directing Council or General Assembly on their activities;

That the National Sections of the following countries have submitted their corresponding reports to the 41st Meeting of the Directing Council: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Mexico, Panama, Peru, United States, Uruguay and Venezuela;

The recommendations of the Administrative Policy Committee and the Committee to Coordinate Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

1. To thank those countries' National Sections for reporting to the 41st Meeting of the Directing Council as to the activities carried out in favor of the programs of the Institute and as to their relationships with the corresponding governments of the Member States.
2. To reiterate the importance of making sure reports include a description of the corresponding activities and a full list of the members of the National Section, bearing in mind the provisions of Resolution No. 8 "Renewal of the appointment of the members of

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the National Sections" (Venezuela, 2005) in the sense that no one may hold more than one position simultaneously.

3. To reiterate that in order for National Sections to submit Requests for Technical Assistance Projects, they must have complied with the commitment to submit the Report of Activities of said country's National Section in a timely manner.

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RESOLUTION 18

EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF EL SALVADOR

The 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The extraordinary support of the government of El Salvador in holding the 41st Meeting of the Directing Council;

The recommendations of the Committee to Coordinate Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

To entrust the Secretary General so that, on behalf of the Member States of the PAIGH and the attendees, he extend the appreciation of these to the government of El Salvador, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the National Center of Registries for the outstanding collaboration and support provided during the 41st Meeting of the Directing Council, and that he express their affection and gratitude to the people of El Salvador and the official institutions for all their kindness.

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RESOLUTION 19

ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO THE NATIONAL CENTER OF REGISTRIES (CNR) OF EL SALVADOR

The 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The outstanding collaboration provided during the 41st Meeting of the Directing Council by the National Center for Registries (CNR) of El Salvador;

The recommendations of the Committee to Coordinate Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

To thank the following departments of the CNR, headed by Mr. Gerardo Suvillaga, for their valuable contribution to the success of the 41st Meeting of the Directing Council:

- Executive Department
- Information Technology Department
- Department of the Geographic Institute and National Cadastre
- Communications Department
- Finance Department
- Transportation Department
- Department of Institutional Contracts

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And the following:

- The Ballet Folklórico Nacional de El Salvador
- The Taltipac musical band
- Mr. Juan Castro Rodríguez, member of the National Symphony Orchestra of El Salvador

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RESOLUTION 20

ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO THE GEOGRAPHIC AND NATIONAL CADASTRE INSTITUTE, THE NATIONAL SECTION OF EL SALVADOR AND THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

The 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The collaboration provided by the Geographic and National Cadastre Institute, the National Section of the PAIGH in El Salvador and the Organizing Committee for the 41st Meeting of the Directing Council;

The recommendations of the Committee to Coordinate Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

To issue a vote of acknowledgement to the Geographic and National Cadastre Institute, through its Director and the Chairperson of the National Section of El Salvador, Mr. Melvin Membreño Aguiluz, as well as all the members of the Organizing Committee for the pivotal collaboration and support provided at the 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the PAIGH.

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41st MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

San Salvador, El Salvador November 19-21, 2008

RESOLUTION 21

VOTE OF GRATITUDE TO THE PERSONNEL OF THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT

The 41st Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

That the deliberations of the 41st Meeting of the Directing Council have concluded,

The work carried out by the personnel of the General Secretariat during the organization of the meeting and at the meeting itself;

The recommendations of the Committee to Coordinate Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

To express its gratitude to the personnel of the General Secretariat for the great care with which they performed their duties for the 41st Meeting of the Directing Council.

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