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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 1**

**UPDATING OF THE PAIGH PAN-AMERICAN AGENDA**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

That through Resolution Number 4 of the 19<sup>th</sup> PAIGH General Assembly (Ecuador, 2009) the “Decalogue for the PAIGH 2010-2020 Pan-American Agenda implementation” was approved;

That during the 3<sup>rd</sup> Technical Meeting of the PAIGH Commissions held June 16 through 19, 2015 in Mexico City, the main study areas that should be on board with the Pan-American Agenda were established: Adaptation to climate change, land use, steps taken before natural risks, and historic patrimony;

That the organization of the United Nations (UN) defined the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda during 2015, through which 17 Sustainable Development Objectives and their corresponding goals were established;

That PAIGH, through the Pan-American Agenda, can provide significant support to the accomplishment of the 2030 UN Agenda;

The recommendations of the 85<sup>th</sup> and 86<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meetings, the Political Science Committee, and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

1. To incorporate the Pan-American Agenda actions for the fulfillment of the Sustainable Development Objectives declared in the 2030 United Nations Agenda.
2. To consider as prioritized topics in the Technical Assistance Program and the PAIGH Publications, the adaptation to climate change, global change, land use, steps taken before natural risks, natural and historic patrimony, as key materials to reach the fulfillment of the cited objectives.
3. To charge the Presidents of the Commissions to accomplish the pertinent actions and accommodate their work plans in pursuit of the fulfillment of the PAIGH Pan-American Agenda and the 2030 UN Agenda for Sustainable Development, in which they should present these plans at the 87<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meeting (June, 2017) and the 21<sup>st</sup> PAIGH General Assembly (second semester of 2017). Sustainable Development Agenda, in which they should present these plans at the 87<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meeting (June, 2017) and the 21<sup>st</sup> PAIGH General Assembly (last trimester of 2017).



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## **RESOLUTION NUMBER 2**

### **UPDATE OF THE “JOINT ACTION PLAN TO ACCELERATE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SPATIAL DATA INFRASTRUCTURE OF THE AMERICAS PAIGH/SIRGAS/UN-GGIM:AMERICAS/GEOSUR”**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

#### **CONSIDERING:**

That through Resolution Number 1 of the 46<sup>th</sup> PAIGH Directing Council Meeting (Colombia, 2015), it was resolved to charge the Secretary General to coordinate jointly with the SIRGAS, UN-GGIM:Americas, and GeoSUR Directives to update the “Joint Action Plan to Accelerate Development of the Spatial Data Infrastructure of the Americas”;

That during the first semester of 2016 the updating process of the cited plan happened, in coordination among the directives of the respective organisms and with the participation by the PAIGH Secretary General and Cartography Commission President;

That the updated text was approved by the directives of PAIGH, SIRGAS, UN-GGIM:Americas, and GeoSUR in the meeting held June 16, 2016, in Santiago Chile;

That the Updated Plan was presented in the standard of the Sixth Session of the Experts for the Geospatial Information Steps Committee of the organization of the United Nations (UNGGIM), happened from August 1 through 5, 2016 in New York, United States of America;

The recommendations of the 85<sup>th</sup> and 86<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meeting, the Political Science Committee, and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

#### **RESOLVES:**

1. To ratify the work done by the Secretary General and the Cartography Commission, to update the “Joint Action Plan to Accelerate the Development of the Spatial Data Infrastructure of the Americas”.
2. To charge the Secretary General that he disseminate the cited Plan through the different areas linked with PAIGH.
3. To charge the President of the Cartography Commission that he organizes the Work Plan of this Commission for the fulfillment of the work provided for in the Joint Action Plan.



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### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 3**

#### **ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT OF THE EDITING WORKING GROUP COORDINATOR**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

#### **CONSIDERING:**

The report of activities presented by the Editing Working Group Coordinator, Dr. Hermann Manríquez Tirado;

The recommendations of the Political Science Committee and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

#### **RESOLVES:**

1. To accept the indicated report.
2. To charge the Editing Working Group Coordinator to present a report of advancement of the optimization activities of the PAIGH publication process at the 21<sup>st</sup> PAIGH General Assembly (last trimester of 2017).



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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 4**

**RECOGNITION TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL  
INSTITUTE OF MEXICAN ANTHROPOLOGY AND HISTORY LIBRARY**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

The presentation made by the director of the National Institute of Mexican Anthropology and History Library, Dr. Baltazar Brito Guadarrama, over the process of digitizing the PAIGH periodic journals that is being used in the cited library;

The recommendations of the Political Science Committee and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

1. To thank and recognize the work that the National Institute of Mexican Anthropology and History Library is doing, under the coordination of its director to reach the digitalization and on-line publication of the PAIGH Journals.
2. To charge the Secretary General to continue coordinating and supporting this process.



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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 5**

**2017 INTERNATIONAL CARTOGRAPHIC CONFERENCE**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

That the 28<sup>th</sup> International Cartographic Conference will be held in Washington, D.C., United States of America, in July, 2017;

The importance of this topic for PAIGH members as an opportunity to interchange cartographic, geographic, and geoinformation among specialists;

The recommendations of the 85<sup>th</sup> and 86<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meetings, the Political Science Committee, and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

To recommend to the National Sections and Official Cartographic Agencies of the Member States to attend the 28<sup>th</sup> International Cartographic Conference to be held in Washington, D.C., United States of America, from July 2-7, 2017.



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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 6**

**RECOGNITION TO THE NATIONAL CENTER OF GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION  
OF THE NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC INSTITUTE OF SPAIN**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

The permanent cooperation that the National Center of Geographic Information (CNIG) of the National Geographic Institute of Spain bestows to PAIGH, benefiting PAIGH Member States through the institutional strengthening and specialized counsel in topics of geographic information steps;

The recommendations of the Political Science Committee and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

1. To thank and recognize the permanent cooperation that the National Center of Geographic Information (CNIG) of the National Geographic Institute of Spain bestows to PAIGH, benefiting PAIGH Member States.
2. To charge the Secretary General to continue coordinating and strengthening these international cooperation processes in between both institutions.



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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 7**

**VERSION 2 OF THE LATIN AMERICAN META DATA PROFILE**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

That in 2011 the first version of the Latin American Metadata Profile (LAMP) was published;

That the standard applied source in the first LAMP 2011 version, coming from the Technical Committee ISO/TC 211: Geographic/Geomatics Information, has evolved, resulting in various updates, making new versions of these, with the consequent declaration of the originals now being obsolete, new standards have arisen and been published which complement the previous have been published, making it necessary to update LAMP;

That in the context of the GeoSUR Program, coordinated by PAIGH with CAF-Bank of Latin American Development, an update was made to the Latin American Metadata Profile (LAMP), obtaining version 2.0. The activity relied on having information provided by the National Sections, the work from an editing team, and the specialized counsel of the National Center of Geographic Information (CNIG) of the National Geographic Institute of Spain;

What was presented by the Editor for the updating of the Latin American Metadata Profile (LAMP), which was previously sent to the Cartography Commission and National Sections for their knowledge and to receive their recommendations;

The recommendations of the 85<sup>th</sup> and 86<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meetings, the Political Science Committee, and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

1. To recommend to the National Sections, Official Cartographic Agencies, and organizations linked to the geoinformation in the Member States the greatest distribution of the version 2.0 of the Latin American Metadata Profile (LAMPv2).
2. To consider an initial evaluation period and consult with specialized organizations.
3. To request the National Sections send their comments and observations to the PAIGH Cartographic Commission by April 28, 2017.
4. To charge the PAIGH Cartographic Commission to present a report and recommendations at the 87<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meeting (first semester, 2017) over LAMPv2, so that the updated LAMP version may be incorporated.



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5. To give special thanks to the National Center of Geographic Information (CNIG) of the National Geographic Institute of Spain for the valuable counsel they provided.
  
6. To thank the CAF-Latin American Development Bank and the GeoSUR Program for their support.
  
7. To thank and recognize the editing team, for their dedication, effort and knowledge, which has allowed the publication of version 2 of the Latin American Metadata Profile.





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### RESOLUTION NUMBER 8

#### THE REACH OF THE PRODUCTS, SERVICES, AND PAIGH STUDIES

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

#### CONSIDERING:

That Article 1 of the Organic Statutes establishes that “No work of a political or sectarian nature may be undertaken by the PAIGH. Its studies shall have no value as evidence in controversies among the Member States.”;

That in the XIV Directing Council Meeting, Argentina, 1972, the IX Resolution “Publication of PAIGH Letters” was approved, which establishes: “To authorize PAIGH to publish letters and maps always when these are printed with the following clarifying legend: *The limits that appear in the present maps are not, in some cases, finally determined and their reproductions do not signify official approval or acceptance by the Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH)*”;

That it is important to strengthen the participation of the Official Cartographic Agencies in the Integrated Digital Cartographic projects, with the end purpose of contributing to the sustainable development plans in a regional perspective;

That it is necessary to reiterate that the PAIGH sponsored work only refers to technical aspects which cannot affect other considerations belonging to the Member States;

The recommendations of the 85<sup>th</sup> and 86<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meetings, the Political Science Committee, and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

#### RESOLVES:

1. To reiterate what is established in Article 1 of the PAIGH Organic Statutes and the resolution piece of Resolution IX of the XIV Directing Council Meeting (Argentina, 1972), by which the PAIGH sponsored works only refer to technical aspects that do not affect any other type of considerations of the Member States.
2. To express that these considerations reach all types of products, services, or studies that the Institute generates, particularly in the integrated map projects, published in any format, even if these have been used in the past, they are being used now, or those which could be used with future technologies.
3. To charge the Secretary General that he present a proposal to update these aspects in the Organic Statute of the Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) at the 21<sup>st</sup> PAIGH General Assembly, which will be held in the last trimester of 2017.



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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 9**

**RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE STRENGTHENING OF THE GEOGRAPHIC  
INSTITUTES AND CARTOGRAPHIC AGENCIES OF THE PAIGH MEMBER STATES**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

That PAIGH was founded February 7, 1928 during the Sixth International American Conference held in Havana, Cuba;

That in January, 1949, in the Council of the Organization of American States (OAS) PAIGH was constituted as the first Specialized Organization of the Inter-American System;

That PAIGH has as an essential purpose to fortify the action fields in: cartography, geography, geodesy, geophysics, and history, through the strengthening of research and encouraging the cooperation among the specialized institutions of America and the international organizations;

That the geographic institutes and the official cartographic agencies of the Member States which constitute the foundational PAIGH structure for the startup of the politics, standards, and specifications of the geography, cartography, geodesy, and the geophysics in the Americas;

That the production and steps of the Fundamental Geographic Information constitutes the structural element that is essential for the integration of territorial information;

That through the resolution Number 4 of the 46<sup>th</sup> Directing Council Meeting (Colombia, 2015) it was resolved to “Recommend that the Member States support and strengthen the geographic institutes and official cartographic agencies in the Member States producing and agencies of the fundamental geographic information necessary for making decisions, determining public policy, planning, land use order, and sustainable development”;

The recommendations of the Political Science Committee and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

1. To recommend to the governments of the PAIGH Member States the strengthening and capacitation of the geographic institutes and official cartographic agencies, as the entities that produce and arrange the Fundamental Geographic Information, in the fields of geography, geodesy, cartography, and geophysics, necessary for making decisions, determining public policy, planning, land order, and sustainable development.



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2. To recommend to governments of the Member States that they reinforce the support to the initiatives that PAIGH impulses for the structuring of standards and product specifications for the construction of the Fundamental Geographic Information.
3. To recommend to the governments of the Member States the strengthening of the geographic institutes and national cartographic agencies so that Open Data policies are implemented, in the articulation with the Spatial Data Infrastructures (SDI), allowing their accessibility in accordance with the proposals of the United Nations Organization to support the fulfillment of the Sustainable Development Objectives.
4. To request to the PAIGH Secretary General that he propose to the United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM) to issue a declaration of recognition and economic strengthening for the work that is done by the geographic institutes and national cartographic agencies, highlighting the importance of the information that they produce to complement the Sustainable Development Objectives.
5. To request to the PAIGH Secretary General that he propose to the United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM) the incorporation of the Geocentric Reference System of the Americas (SIRGAS) to the Working Group for Global Geodetic Reference Frame (GGRF).



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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 10**

**CATALOGUE OF PAIGH GEOGRAPHIC OBJECTS AND SYMBOLS (COGS-PAIGH)**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

That PAIGH has historically been for the geographic institutes and national cartographic agencies of the Member States, the specialized reference organization for matters of norms and standards in the Geospatial Information production;

That an important number of geographic institutes and national cartographic agencies of the Member States have developed, until this moment, Geographic Objects and Symbols Catalogues at a national level using the standards established by the Technical Committee 211 of ISO and the Manual of PAIGH Topographic Conventions as a base;

That the development of a Geographic Objects and Symbols Catalogue in the PAIGH environment constitutes an opportunity for the homologation of terms and symbols at the level of the Americas; contributing to the interoperability of geospatial data at regional and global levels;

That the development of a Geographic Objects and Symbols Catalogue in the PAIGH environment (COGS-IPGH) contributes to the strengthening of the role that the Institute has had in matters of norms and standards for the production of Geospatial Information of the Americas;

That the technical and financial support of external organizations, under PAIGH coordination, has been fundamental to bring forth different initiatives related to the steps of the geospatial information, as are the Integrated Map Project and the updating of the Latin American Metadata Profile (LAMP);

The recommendations of the Political Science Committee and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

1. To request the PAIGH Secretary General that he urge the development of a Geographic Objects and Symbols Catalogue (COGS-IPGH) with the leadership of the geographic institutes and cartographic agencies of the Member States, taking as a base the existing national and international standards (ISO, OGC, among others), referring specifically to the Fundamental Geospatial Information and related Cartography Base.
2. To request that the PAIGH Secretary General procures, in the possible measure, the support of other institutions and technical and financial organizations, to bring forward a project that would allow completing with the development stages of the COGS-IPGH, taking into account the prerequisites of the integrated map projects and metadata in general.



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3. To recommend to the National Sections, geographic institutes, national cartographic agencies, and organizations linked to the geoinformation in the Member States, the support and commitment with this initiative.



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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 11**

**PROPOSAL OF THE STANDARDIZATION OF TACTILE SYMBOLS  
AND CONSTRUCTION OF TACTILE CARTOGRAPHY**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

The research work that has been happening together with different Latin American countries, through the OAS-PAIGH projects developed from 1994 through 2016, whose work done in all these years has generated a series of new understandings in the tactile cartography area, and the framework of the project titled, “Proposal of the Tactile Symbology Standardization for Latin America: an application in touristic cartography” in the area of the tactile representation, using cartographic models, symbologies, schemas, and images;

That this research work has allowed results to be generated, especially in the representation of the geographic information, through the tactile cartographic symbols, accomplishing that those people with special education needs become aware of geographic space;

The recommendations of the Political Science Committee and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

1. To charge the Tactile Cartography Working Group, of the Cartography Commission to propose a base design for the tactile cartographic products, their construction, and their ways of use through the implementation of a “Use Manual” geared toward students, teachers, technicians and a diversity of professionals.
2. To request that the Secretary General distribute the cited manual and its respective symbology to the Pan American community through the National Sections.
3. To recommend to the National Sections that they promote the use of the standardized tactile symbology for the Americas.



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### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 12**

#### **RATIFICATION OF THE SUBSCRIBED AGREEMENT IN BETWEEN THE BERNARDO O'HIGGINS (CHILE) UNIVERSITY AND PAIGH**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

#### **CONSIDERING:**

That number 14 of Article 9 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Secretariat establishes that functions of the Secretary General are “To enter into agreements with governments, international organizations, or private institutions, which must subsequently be ratified by the General Assembly or the Directing Council.”;

The text of the Marco Convention of Academic Collaboration between the Bernardo O'Higgins – Faculty of Engineering and Administration, and PAIGH;

The recommendations of the 85<sup>th</sup> and 86<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meetings, the Political Administrative Committee, and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

#### **RESOLVES:**

To ratify the Marco Convention of Academic Collaboration between the Bernardo O'Higgins – Faculty of Engineering and Administration, and PAIGH, written July 22 of 2015.



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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 13**

**RATIFICATION OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WRITTEN WITH THE  
AGRI-FOOD AND FISHERIES INFORMATION SERVICE (SIAP) OF MEXICO AND  
PAIGH**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

That number 14 of Article 9 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Secretariat establishes that functions of the Secretary General are to “To enter into agreements with governments, international organizations, or private institutions, which must subsequently be ratified by the General Assembly or the Directing Council.”;

The text of the Memorandum of Understanding with the Agri-Food and Fisheries Information Service (SIAP) of Mexico and PAIGH;

The recommendations of the 85<sup>th</sup> and 86<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meetings, the Political Administrative Committee, and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

To ratify the Memorandum of Understanding with the Agri-Food and Fisheries Information Service (SIAP) of Mexico and PAIGH, written January 14, 2016.





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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 14**

**RATIFICATION OF THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WRITTEN BETWEEN  
THE BELGIAN GHENT UNIVERSITY AND PAIGH**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

That number 14 of Article 9 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Secretariat establishes that functions of the Secretary General are to “To enter into agreements with governments, international organizations, or private institutions, which must subsequently be ratified by the General Assembly or the Directing Council.”;

The text of the Memorandum of Understanding in between the Ghent University (Belgium) and PAIGH;

The recommendations of the 85<sup>th</sup> and 86<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meetings, the Political Administrative Committee, and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

To ratify the Memorandum of Understanding in between the Ghent University (Belgium) and PAIGH, written February 8, 2016.



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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 15**

**RATIFICATION OF THE LETTER OF INTENT WRITTEN BETWEEN THE  
CENTER OF RESEARCH OVER LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN (CIALC)  
OF THE NATIONAL AUTONOMOUS UNIVERSITY OF MEXICO AND PAIGH**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

That number 14 of Article 9 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Secretariat establishes that functions of the Secretary General are to “To enter into agreements with governments, international organizations, or private institutions, which must subsequently be ratified by the General Assembly or the Directing Council.”;

The text of the Letter of Intent with the Center of Research over Latin America and the Caribbean (CIALC) of the National Autonomous University of Mexico and PAIGH;

The recommendations of the 85<sup>th</sup> and 86<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meetings, the Political Administrative Committee, and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

To ratify the Letter of Intent with the Center of Research over Latin America and the Caribbean (CIALC) of the National Autonomous University of Mexico and PAIGH, written February 19, 2016.



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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 16**

**RATIFICATION OF THE AGREEMENT WRITTEN BETWEEN THE  
NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF HISTORIC STUDIES OF THE  
REVOLUTIONS OF MEXICO (INEHRM) AND PAIGH**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

That number 14 of Article 9 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Secretariat establishes that functions of the Secretary General are to “To enter into agreements with governments, international organizations, or private institutions, which must subsequently be ratified by the General Assembly or the Directing Council.”;

The text of the Agreement with the National Institute of Historic Studies of the Revolutions of Mexico (INEHRM) and PAIGH;

The recommendations of the 85<sup>th</sup> and 86<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meetings, the Political Administrative Committee, and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

To ratify the Agreement with the National Institute of Historic Studies of the Revolutions of Mexico (INEHRM) and PAIGH, written February 19, 2016.



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### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 17**

#### **RATIFICATION OF THE LETTER OF INTENT WRITTEN BETWEEN THE ARAGON GEOGRAPHIC INSTITUTE (IGEAR) AND PAIGH**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

#### **CONSIDERING:**

That number 14 of Article 9 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Secretariat establishes that functions of the Secretary General are to “To enter into agreements with governments, international organizations, or private institutions, which must subsequently be ratified by the General Assembly or the Directing Council.”;

The text of the Letter of Intent with the Aragon Geographic Institute (IGEAR) and PAIGH;

The recommendations of the 85<sup>th</sup> and 86<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meetings, the Political Administrative Committee, and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

#### **RESOLVES:**

To ratify the text of the Letter of Intent with the Aragon Geographic Institute (IGEAR) and PAIGH, written May 16, 2016.



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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 18**

**RATIFICATION OF THE AGREEMENT WRITTEN BETWEEN THE ANAHUAC UNIVERSITY (MEXICO) AND PAIGH**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

That number 14 of Article 9 of the Rules of Procedure of the General Secretariat establishes that functions of the Secretary General are to “To enter into agreements with governments, international organizations, or private institutions, which must subsequently be ratified by the General Assembly or the Directing Council.”;

The text of the General Agreement of Collaboration and Academic Cooperation among Research and High Level Studies S.C. – Anáhuac University, North Mexico and PAIGH;

The recommendations of the 85<sup>th</sup> and 86<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meetings, the Political Administrative Committee, and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

To ratify the General Agreement of Collaboration and Academic Cooperation among Research and High Level Studies S.C. – Anáhuac University, North Mexico and PAIGH, written September 21, 2016.



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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 19**

**MODIFICATION TO ARTICLE 26 OF THE PUBLICATIONS RULES  
IN REFERENCE TO THE RULES OF DISTRIBUTION OF THE PUBLISHED JOURNALS**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

That Article 26, number 2 of the Publications Rules and documents of the Organic Statutes establishes: “2. In the case of periodic publications: five copies to the editors, one to each active Member of the editorial board, and one copy, plus 10 reprints of their article to each author”;

That the new information technologies help and facilitate the distribution of the publications and are part of the Institute modernization;

That the practice of saving paper for printing is now a constant;

That during the 45<sup>th</sup> Directing Council Meeting (Chile, 2015) Resolution Number 6, “Meetings friendly to the environment,” was approved which in among other aspects the Institute was charged to permanently promote a policy of reduction in paper use, distributing the documents in an electronic means;

The recommendations of the 85<sup>th</sup> and 86<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meetings, the Political Administrative Committee, and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

To make the following modifications to number 2 of Article 26 of the Rules of Procedures of Publications so that it reads like this:

“2. In the case of periodic publications: five copies to the editors, one to each active member of the editorial board, and one sample, and the electronic vehicle to consult the respective publications on line to the authors and to the adjudicators or reviewers.”



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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 20**

**OPTIMIZATION OF THE COMMUNICATION MEDIUMS AMONG PAIGH MEMBERS**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

That the PAIGH Pan-American Agenda establishes relevance to the bettering of the actions of the respective National Sections;

That it is very important to have knowledge of the work that is done by the National Sections through the respective Annual Report;

That given the importance of disseminating new ideas to support multidisciplinary and regional level projects, it is required to strengthen the possibility of having discussion forums in between the National Sections and the experts of the Commissions:

The recommendations of the 85<sup>th</sup> and 86<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meetings, the Political Administrative Committee, and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

1. To recommend to the National Sections that they strengthen their communication procedures in between the members and the Commission experts, as much at the country as the regional level.
2. To request direct communication among the members of various National Sections through electronic mail.
3. Each National Section should publish their respective annual report, the contact information of their members, considering a roster that contains:
  - a. Name
  - b. Position and/or function in the PAIGH
  - c. Organization in which they work
  - d. E-mail
  - e. Telephone
4. To request to the National Sections that they strengthen communication in between their members by having frequent meetings in person and/or virtually.
5. To request to the Secretary General that through a virtual horizontal communication platform, communication is facilitated among PAIGH members.



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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 21**

**HONORARY AFFILIATE**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

The Resolution VII of the XXI Directing Council Meeting (United States of America, 1983) and Resolution V of the XXII Directing Council Meeting (Dominican Republic, 1984);

The proposals presented by the National Sections of Argentina, Costa Rica, and Mexico nominated Professor Héctor Oscar José Pena, Doctor Chester José Zelaya Goodman, and Masters of Science Pilar Luna Erreguerena, respectively;

The recommendations of the 86<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meetings, the Political Administrative Committee, and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

1. To designate as Honorary PAIGH Affiliates to:
  - a. Professor Héctor Oscar José Pena (Argentina)
  - b. Doctor Chester José Zelaya Goodman (Costa Rica)
  - c. Masters of Science Pilar Luna Erreguerena (Mexico)
2. To request to the respective National Sections that they present the corresponding diploma and medallion in a special ceremony for this effect.
3. To request to the Secretary General to make the largest possible distribution regarding these designations.





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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 22**

**CONVENE THE ELECTION OF PAIGH AUTHORITIES  
FOR THE TIME PERIOD 2017-2021**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

What is established in Article 15 of the PAIGH Organic Statutes, where the conditions to have positions of Authority of the Institute are established;

What is established in Article 22 of the PAIGH Organic Statutes, where the requirements of the Secretary General of the Institute election are established;

What is established in Article 27 of the cited statute, where the conditions for the election of the Commission Presidents are established;

What is established in Articles 28 and 29 of the PAIGH Financial Rules of Procedure which fix the requirements to postulate the positions of Authority and requirements to have a right to vote in the election processes of the Institute;

The recommendations of the 85<sup>th</sup> and 86<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meetings, the Political Administrative Committee, and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

1. To convoke the Pan-American Institute of Geography and History Authorities for the time period from the 21<sup>st</sup> through the 22<sup>nd</sup> General Assemblies, to the following positions:
  - President
  - Vice President
  - Secretary General
  - President and Vice President of the Cartography Commission
  - President and Vice President of the Geography Commission
  - President and Vice President of the History Commission
  - President and Vice President of the Geophysics Commission

The postulations should be submitted to the Secretary General by May 5, 2017, and should contain the following documents:

- An official memo written by their respective Chancellery
- CV of the postulant crediting the established requirements in the PAIGH regulations
- Work Plan for the period in which they would be in the position



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2. To charge the 87<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meeting (first semester of 2017) that they review the qualifications of the postulants, with the end purpose of certifying that they complete with the established requirements in the PAIGH regulations, in such a way that they have enough time to reformulate the postulations.
3. To request to the Secretary General that he make the highest possible distribution of this convocation.



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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 23**

**2015 FINANCIAL REPORT**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

The review made of the Financial Report corresponding to 2015;

The results reached with the steps taken by the Secretary General in the 2015 exercise that translated into the financial sustainability of the Institute and the guarantee to have the institutional programs in the exercise corresponding to 2016;

The recommendations of the Political Financial Committee and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

To approve the 2015 Financial Report.



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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 24**

**2015 AUDIT REPORT**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

The Audit Report presented by the establishment “Despacho Munir Hayek, S.C. Public Accountants and Business Consultants”, covering January 1 through December 31, 2015 and in the sense of the PAIGH financial state, adequately reflecting the financial situation for the signaled exercise;

The information surrendered at the 47<sup>th</sup> Directing Council Meeting by the PAIGH President over the content and quality of the audited steps;

The recommendations of the Political Financial Committee and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

1. To approve the Audit Report corresponding to the year 2015.
2. To authorize the PAIGH Secretary General to hire the auditing services for the Institute corresponding to the year 2016.



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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 25**

**ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES OF THE MEMBER STATES FOR 2017**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Directing Council Meeting of the Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

**CONSIDERING:**

That the Directing Council, according to what was established in Article 39 of the Organic Statutes and Article 3 of the Financial Rules, that annually an amount of the membership fees should be set, which the Member States should pay;

That Resolution 10 of the 20<sup>th</sup> General Assembly in Montevideo, Uruguay, in the year 2013, established maintaining as a maximum limit to the Program Budget in the concept of annual membership fees, the quantity of \$878,000 (US Dollars) which has been in effect since 2001;

That the actual membership fees scale that the PAIGH Member States carry has maintained without increments since the year 1996;

That with the amount of the actual membership fees, in place since the year 1996, it is not possible to finance the projects nominated for the Technical Assistance Program associated with the topics belonging to PAIGH that propose the respective Commissions of the organization;

That Resolution 16 of the 45<sup>th</sup> Directing Council Meeting in Santiago, Chile, in the year 2014, resolved in point 3: "To charge the General Secretariat to do a financial study with the objective of reinforcing the request of resources before the pertinent Authorities, to be presented in the 83<sup>rd</sup> Authorities Meeting (2015) and later to the 46<sup>th</sup> Directing Council Meeting.";

That Resolution 5 of the 46<sup>th</sup> Directing Council Meeting, Cartagena Colombia, of the year 2015, resolved in point 1: "Endorse the financial study developed by the General Secretariat regarding the increase to the scale of membership fees that the PAIGH Member States pay", and in point 3: "To charge the Secretary General that, considering the study and the support received by the National Sections, to send during the month of January, 2016 to the respective Chancelleries the said document to require the updating of the membership fees" and in point 4: "Request to the respective Chancelleries to instruct the Presidents of the National Sections as to the effects of the new membership fees which would begin to apply starting in Fiscal Year 2017, during the approval in the 47<sup>th</sup> Directing Council Meeting (Paraguay, 2016).";

That in function of the communications made by the Secretary General with the National Sections, the respective contributions were incorporated and in January, 2016, a proposal of the membership fees for the better financing of the PAIGH Technical Assistance Program was sent to the Member States;

The recommendations of the 85<sup>th</sup> and 86<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meetings, the Political Financial Committee, and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,



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**RESOLVES:**

1. To fix for 2017, the minimum membership fees sent in the year 2016 to the Member States.

MINIMUM MEMBERSHIP FEES OF THE MEMBER STATES FOR 2017

Member State	%	2017 Amount (US Dollars)
Argentina	6.34	37,206
Belize	0.94	5,509
Bolivia	0.94	5,509
Brazil	11.05	64,896
Chile	1.00	5,840
Colombia	1.22	7,176
Costa Rica	0.94	5,509
Ecuador	0.94	5,509
El Salvador	0.94	5,509
United States	55.21	323,900
Guatemala	0.94	5,509
Haiti	0.94	5,509
Honduras	0.94	5,509
Mexico	7.87	46,176
Nicaragua	0.94	5,509
Panama	0.94	5,509
Paraguay	0.94	5,509
Peru	0.94	5,509
Dominican Republic	0.94	5,509
Uruguay	0.94	5,509
Venezuela	4.15	24,336
Total	100.00	586,656

The Secretary General will consider the amount of US Dollars \$586,656 for the execution of the 2017 budget.

2. To support the strategy of the General Secretariat, consistent with finding specific alternate funding to execute the established priorities of the Pan-American Agenda.
3. To instruct the Secretary General to take the necessary steps for the Member States with indebted membership fees to come up to date.
4. To continue working together to adjust the membership fee scale so that no Member State contribute more than 50% of the annual Institute budget.



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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 26**

**2017 PROGRAM BUDGET**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

The project of the 2017 Program Budget presented by the Secretary General;

What is considered in Article 19 of the PAIGH Financial Rules in the sense that the annual Program Budget will be covered by the Member State membership fees and what is indicated in Article 20 in the sense that the membership fees should be paid in the first trimester of the corresponding year;

The recommendations of the 85<sup>th</sup> and 86<sup>th</sup> Authorities Meetings, the Political Financial Committee, and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

To approve the 2017 Program Budget in the amount of US Dollars \$586,656.00 (five hundred and eighty-six thousand, six hundred and fifty-six dollars)



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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 27**

**ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORTS OF THE PRESIDENT,  
SECRETARY GENERAL, AND COMMISSION PRESIDENTS**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

The activity reports presented by the President, the Secretary General, and presidents of the Cartography, Geography, History, and Geophysics Commissions;

The recommendation of the first plenary session and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

To accept the indicated reports.





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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 28**

**PRESENTATION OF NATIONAL SECTION REPORTS**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

That Article 38, subsection 5 of the PAIGH Organic Statutes establishes that among the functions of the National Sections is found to report annually over their activities at the Directing Council or General Assembly;

That the National Sections in the following countries have presented their respective reports to the 47<sup>th</sup> Directing Council Meeting: Argentina, Chile, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, the United States of America, and Uruguay;

The recommendations of the Political Scientific Committee and the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

1. To thank the National Sections of the mentioned countries for reporting to the 47<sup>th</sup> Directing Council Meeting in so much as their activities in favor of the Institute Programs and their relationships with the respective governments of the Member States.
2. To reiterate how important it is to include in the report, the description of the corresponding activities and complete contact information of the National Section Members.
3. To reiterate that it is a requirement for the National Sections to submit Technical Assistance Project Requests, in having fulfilled the commitment of presenting the report of activities of the National Section of the respective country.
4. To set February 15, 2017 as the deadline for Member States who have not yet completed with presenting the 2016 annual report.



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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 29**

**GRATITUDE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF PARAGUAY**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

The support and the special attention received from the Illustrious Government of the Republic of Paraguay to bring about the 47<sup>th</sup> PAIGH Directing Council Meeting and the linked scientific activities;

The recommendations of the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

1. To charge the Secretary General that in the name of the PAIGH Member States and their representatives, to present their gratitude to the Illustrious Government of the Republic of Paraguay for their outstanding collaboration and the support given to bring about the 47<sup>th</sup> PAIGH Directing Council Meeting, bringing forth these expressions of affection for the Paraguayan people and their institutions for all of the attention received.
2. To recognize the following entities, for the contributions given which allowed for the successful development of the 47<sup>th</sup> Directing Council Meeting:
  - Foreign Affairs Ministry
  - National Defense Ministry
  - Command of the Army
  - Command of the Navy
  - Command of the Air Force
  - Logistic Command
  - Treasury
  - National Cadastre Service
  - National Police
  - Municipal Traffic Police



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**RESOLUTION NUMBER 30**

**RECOGNITION TO THE COMMAND OF THE GEOGRAPHIC MILITARY SERVICE OF PARAGUAY, AND TO THE PAIGH NATIONAL SECTION OF PARAGUAY AND ORGANIZING COMMITTEE**

The 47<sup>th</sup> Pan-American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH) Directing Council Meeting,

**CONSIDERING:**

The careful organization, timely execution and brotherly attention given by the Management of the Geographic Military Service, seat of the PAIGH National Section, and the Organizing Committee for bringing about the 47<sup>th</sup> Directing Council Meeting and the additional scientific events linked to what the Institute is doing;

The recommendation of the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

**RESOLVES:**

To express with affection the recognition and gratitude PAIGH and Pan American community have to the Management of the Geographic Military Service, seat of the PAIGH National Section, headed by its Director and under the coordination of the National Section Technical Secretary and all the Local Organizing Committee<sup>1</sup> Members, for the important contribution given to PAIGH for the successful celebration of the 47<sup>th</sup> Directing Council Meeting, foreseen statutory and other academic and informative meetings for the Pan American community.

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<sup>1</sup> Attached is the list of those making up the Local Organizing Committee



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