RESOLUTION N° 17
MODIFICATION TO ARTICLE 30 OF THE PUBLICATIONS REGULATIONS

The 48th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The fact that the Regulations for PAIGH Publications and Documents, in Article 8, point number 3), establishes that all publications should “Contain a statement in which the responsibility of the authors is declared...” while Article 9 states: “...It is for each Commission to select the material to be published, whether this is for journals or for occasional publications”;

The fact that Article 13 of the American Convention on Human Rights of the OAS states: “Everyone has the right to freedom of thought and expression. This right includes freedom to seek, receive, and impart information and ideas of all kinds, regardless of frontiers, either orally, in writing, in print, in the form of art, or through any other medium of one's choice.”;

That recommended by the 89th and the 90th Meetings of the Authorities and by the Administrative Policy Committee,

RESOLVES TO:

Modify Article 30 of the Publications Regulations, in order to guarantee full freedom of expression, to give judicial viability, certainty and precision in the drafting of publications and documents, applying the following terms:

Article 30. The General Secretariat and the Commissions will ensure that the authors, as the only partly responsible for the content of their submissions, are able to exercise freedom of expression at all times in their publications, documents and other forms of dissemination.