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Resolution No. 1

UNITED NATIONS INTEGRATED GEOSPATIAL INFORMATION FRAMEWORK

The 23rd General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH), held in the city of Quito, Republic of Ecuador,

CONSIDERING:

- Article 2 of the Organic Statute of the PAIGH specifies that the mission of the Institute is to encourage, coordinate and publish or make widely known studies involving its respective areas of interest, these being Cartography, Geography, History, Geophysics, and related sciences, to the benefit of America; to support the creation of knowledge in its areas of interest, by means of the studies, training and work by its Commissions; and to encourage and make progress in interdisciplinary cooperation between the Institutes of America and related international organizations;
- That the Tenth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas (New York, August 2013), in its Resolution 7, welcomed and endorsed the decision adopted by the Permanent Committee for Geospatial Data Infrastructure for the Americas to enhance its role in regional and global geospatial information management; aligning with the global structure, efforts and vision of the United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management initiative, and initiate a name change and institutional transition to the United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management for America;
- As adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on September 25, 2015 (A/RES/70/1), the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development sets forth a 15-year plan to achieve sustainable development in three dimensions - economic, social, and environmental - through implementation of 17 Sustainable Development Goals and 169 associated targets;
- As adopted during the Eighth Session (2018) of the United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM), the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (IGIF) will serve as a basis and guide for developing, integrating, and strengthening geospatial information management and related resources in all countries to support national strategic priorities and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;



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- As adopted during the Tenth Session (2020) of the UN-GGIM Committee of Experts (10/103), the Committee endorsed the establishment of a dedicated high-level group of experts, with a balance of geographic representation and expertise, as a mechanism to provide the strategic leadership, coordination, and oversight so that its success is sustained, and to mobilize needed resources to maintain the momentum and refinement of the IGIF as a continuously evolving process;
- As adopted by the United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), the principal regional body for economic development of Latin America, during the thirty sixth session enacted Resolution 712 (Resolution 712, Mexico City, July 23-27, 2016), the creation of a tighter working relationship between UN-GGIM: Americas and ECLAC for the purpose of pushing forward a regional agenda to integrate statistical and geospatial information with the goal of measuring, monitoring the Objectives of Sustainable Development, as well as a basis for the 2020 round of censuses;
- The recommendations made by the Scientific Policy Committee,

RESOLVES TO:

- Firstly. Support the efforts of the UN-GGIM Committee of Experts High-Level Group of the Integrated Geospatial Framework, its Plan of Work, and associated Working Groups.
- Secondly. Continue to align the goals and objectives of the PAIGH with the efforts of the UN-GGIM Committee of Experts and specifically, the UN-GGIM: Americas Regional Committee, as they focus on implementation of the IGIF as a mechanism to solve global challenges such as digital connectivity, climate and energy security, health security, and gender equity.
- Thirdly. Support global implementation of the IGIF, especially throughout the Americas, in assisting countries in finding sustainable solutions for social, economic, and environmental development, to influence inclusive and transformative societal change for all society according to national priorities and circumstances, and “To leave no one behind.”
- Fourthly. Embrace the IGIF as a framework to translate high-level strategic geospatial information concepts into practical implementation guidance and action for use by PAIGH Member States.



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Resolution No. 2

STRENGTHENING OF THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The 23rd General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH), held in the city of Quito, Republic of Ecuador,

CONSIDERING:

- The fact that Article 2, point 1 of the PAIGH Organic Statute establishes “Encourage, coordinate and distribute studies pertaining to its areas of interest, which are Cartography, Geography, History, Geophysics and those related sciences for the benefit of the Americas” as the mission of the organization;
- The fact that Article 3, point 2 of the PAIGH Organic Statute establishes “Operating as an institution that facilitates and supports research that provides scientific-technical assistance to its Member States, to the OAS and to all those entities which request it within the limits of the possible and of the PAIGH instruments” as the vision of this organization;
- The fact that Article 4, point 1 of the PAIGH Organic Statute sets “The PAIGH prioritizes scientific activities, through its Technical Assistance Program, as well as the dissemination of specialized knowledge through its Publications Program, or those programs established for these purposes in the future” as the governing principle;
- The fact that it is necessary to strengthen scientific-technical activities among the Member States through the Technical Assistance Program (PAT), as the driving force for research to be carried out within the various disciplines of the PAIGH;
- The fact that strengthening the Technical Assistance Program requires economic resources in order to support the research and work of the scientists of the Member States;
- The recommendations made by the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

RESOLVES TO:

Instruct the General Secretariat to perform a detailed study of the general Budget of the PAIGH in order to suggest possibilities for enlarging the amount assigned to the (PAT).



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Resolution No. 3

ANNUAL QUOTA PAYMENTS OF THE MEMBER STATES FOR THE YEAR 2023

The 23rd General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH), held in the city of Quito, Republic of Ecuador,

CONSIDERING:

- The economic basis on which the PAIGH is sustained, which is constituted by the annual quotas that the Member States provide, approved by the General Assembly;
- The fact that Article 55 of the currently valid PAIGH Organic Statute establishes that the quotas are calculated considering the following guidelines: “The minimum membership quota of any Member State of the general budget is 0.5%, and... ..The maximum membership quota of any Member State may not exceed 49.99% of the general budget”;
- The adjustment to the quota scale, that took effect from 2020, approved at the 48th Meeting of the Directing Council, held at Santa Cruz de la Sierra, Bolivia (2018);
- The recommendations of the 97th and 98th Meetings of PAIGH Authorities and of the Financial Policy Committee,



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RESOLVES TO:

Firstly. For the year 2023, keep the quotas scale approved for the year 2021 the same, in accordance with the following table:

<i>Member State</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>2023 Quotas (USD)</i>
United States	49.99%	323,900
Brazil	12.35%	80,030
Mexico	8.79%	56,944
Argentina	7.08%	45,882
Venezuela	4.63%	30,011
Colombia	1.37%	8,849
Chile	1.11%	7,202
Belize	1.05%	6,794
Bolivia	1.05%	6,794
Costa Rica	1.05%	6,794
Ecuador	1.05%	6,794
El Salvador	1.05%	6,794
Guatemala	1.05%	6,794
Haiti	1.05%	6,794
Honduras	1.05%	6,794
Nicaragua	1.05%	6,794
Panama	1.05%	6,794
Paraguay	1.05%	6,794
Peru	1.05%	6,794
Dominican Republic	1.05%	6,794
Uruguay	1.05%	6,794
TOTAL	100.00%	647,934

Secondly. Support the General Secretariat in the work and tasks that are carried out concerning the Member States and their payment of their outstanding quotas.



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Resolution No. 4

GENERAL BUDGET OF THE PAN AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF GEOGRAPHY AND HISTORY FOR THE YEAR 2023

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CONSIDERING:

- The results of the Financial Report of the PAIGH, covering the financial year 2021, published at: <https://www.ipgh.org/mx/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/IPGH_Informe_Financiero_2021_protegido.pdf>.
- The Audit Report submitted by the firm called “Vieyra, Mota y Asociados, S.C.”, dated January 1st to December 31st of 2021, published at: <https://www.ipgh.org/mx/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/PAIGH_Report_on_the_examination_of_Financial_Status_2021_protegido.pdf>.
- The Draft Budget submitted by the General Secretariat for the year 2023, available at: <https://www.ipgh.org/mx/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/PAIGH_projected_budget_program_for_the_year_2023_Oct13_2022.pdf>.
- The fact that the 22nd General Assembly (in virtual mode, October 27th, 2021), resolved to keep the quantity of USD 878,000 as the maximum limit for the General Budget during the 2022-2025 period, under the concept of the annual quotas;
- The fact that the financial precautions and methods adopted make it possible to keep the Technical Assistance Program and the other programs of the PAIGH operational and with a certain level of support for the year 2023;
- That recommended by the 97th and 98th Meetings of the PAIGH Authorities and by the Financial Policy Committee,

RESOLVES TO:

- Firstly. Approve the Draft Budget submitted by the General Secretariat for the year 2023 for the amount USD 647,934.



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- Secondly. Keep the quantity of USD 878,000 as the maximum limit for the Draft Budget, under the concept of the annual quotas.
- Thirdly. Approve the Financial Report and the Audit Report covering the year 2021.
- Fourthly. Authorize the PAIGH Secretary General to hire an auditing service for the Institute, to cover the year 2022.



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Resolution No. 5

ALIGNMENT OF THE FINANCIAL RULES OF PROCEDURE WITH THE ORGANIC STATUTE OF THE PAN AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF GEOGRAPHY AND HISTORY

The 23rd General Assembly of the Pan American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH), held in the city of Quito, Republic of Ecuador,

CONSIDERING:

- The advisability of having available mechanisms that make the actions of the PAIGH efficient for the fulfilment of its mission, vision and principles;
- The approval of Resolution N°. 5 “Vote on the new Organic Statute of the PAIGH”, during the 22nd General Assembly of the PAIGH, in virtual mode (October 27th, 2021), with the aim of “strengthening the procedures and rules that have benefited the courses of action taken by the PAIGH, and, with this, the strengthening of its component bodies”;
- The above-mentioned resolution, which determines that the General Secretariat, with the cooperation of the PAIGH Authorities and the National Sections, update the procedures and rules so as to be in line with the new Organic Statute;
- The fact that, the “Financial Rules of Procedure of the PAIGH” is the main document, together with the Organic Statute, that governs the administration of the finances of the PAIGH, closely following the principles of transparency and efficiency;
- The fact that, during 2022, the internal committee for review of rules and procedures, made up of the representatives of the departments of the General Secretariat, contributed its experience for drafting a proposal for alignment with the “Financial Rules of Procedure of the PAIGH”;
- The valuable contributions of the National Sections of the PAIGH and of the 97th Meeting of PAIGH Authorities, which strengthened a final proposal for the “Financial Rules of Procedure of the PAIGH”;
- The recommendations made by the 98th Meeting of PAIGH Authorities and by the Administrative Policy Committee,



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RESOLVES TO:

- Firstly. Approve the new version of the “Financial Rules of Procedure of the PAIGH”, which comes into force as from this date.

- Secondly. Give directions for the General Secretariat, with the cooperation of the PAIGH Authorities and the National Sections, to update the instructions, manuals or other rules and procedures that are attached to the “Financial Rules of Procedure of the PAIGH”.



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Resolution No. 6

ALIGNMENT OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE ADVISORY FINANCIAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE (AFPA) WITH THE ORGANIC STATUTE OF THE PAN AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF GEOGRAPHY AND HISTORY

The 23rd General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH), held in the city of Quito, Republic of Ecuador,

CONSIDERING:

- The advisability of having available mechanisms that make the actions of the PAIGH efficient for the fulfilment of its mission, vision and principles;
- The approval of Resolution N°. 5 “Vote on the new Organic Statute of the PAIGH”, during the 22nd General Assembly of the PAIGH, in virtual mode (October 27th, 2021), with the aim of “strengthening the procedures and rules that have benefited the courses of action taken by the PAIGH, and, with this, the strengthening of its component bodies”;
- The above-mentioned resolution, which determines that the General Secretariat, with the cooperation of the PAIGH Authorities and the National Sections, update the procedures and rules so as to be in line with the new Organic Statute;
- The fact that the “Advisory Financial Planning and Assessment Committee (AFPA)” is the mechanism of the PAIGH that has, as its objective, the study of financial and audit reports, also the budget proposals, which provides suitable means for decision making and financial transparency;
- The fact that, during 2022, the internal committee for review of rules and procedures, made up of the representatives of the departments of the General Secretariat, contributed its experience for drafting a proposal for alignment of the “Rules of Procedure for the Advisory Financial Planning and Assessment Committee (AFPA)”;
- The valuable contributions of the National Sections of the PAIGH and of the 97th Meeting of PAIGH Authorities, which strengthened a final proposal for the “Rules of Procedure of the Advisory Financial Planning and Assessment Committee (AFPA)”;
- The recommendations made by the 97th and 98th Meetings of PAIGH Authorities and by the Administrative Policy Committee,



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RESOLVES TO:

- Firstly. Approve the new version of the “Rules of Procedure of the Advisory Financial Planning and Assessment Committee (AFPA)”, which comes into force immediately on the date of its approval by the General Assembly, just as is established in its Article N° 65.

- Secondly. Give directions for the General Secretariat, with the cooperation of the PAIGH Authorities and the National Sections, to update the instructions, manuals or other rules and procedures that are attached to the “Rules of Procedure of the Advisory Financial Planning and Assessment Committee (AFPA)”.



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Resolution No. 7

REVOCACTION OF THE REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES FOR THE DIRECTING COUNCIL OF THE PAN AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF GEOGRAPHY AND HISTORY

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CONSIDERING:

- The fact that, at the 22nd General Assembly of the PAIGH, held in virtual mode (October 27th, 2021), Resolution N°. 5 “Voting on the new Organic Statute of the PAIGH” was approved, with the aim of “strengthening the procedures and rules that have benefited the trajectory of the PAIGH, and, with it, the strengthening of its organs”;
- The fact that the new version of the Organic Statute stipulates that the General Assembly of the PAIGH should be held annually, replacing the Meetings of the Directing Council, with the aim of ensuring that the decisions of the General Assembly can be put into effect over a shorter time span and, in this way, provide better adaptation to these modern times;
- The fact that, in the preparation of the new Organic Statute, the chapters concerning how to run the General Assembly and the Directing Council were analyzed, so that Chapter VII of the new version contains the instructions necessary for running an annual General Assembly;
- Resolution N°. 5 “Voting on the new Organic Statute of the PAIGH”, in which it was resolved that the General Secretariat, with the cooperation of the PAIGH Authorities and the National Sections, should update the procedures and rules in order to adapt them to the new Organic Statute;
- The recommendations made by the 97th and 98th Meetings of PAIGH Authorities and by the Administrative Policy Committee,

RESOLVES TO:

- Firstly. Revoke, as of this current date, the “Regulations for the Directing Council”.
- Secondly. Stipulate that the General Secretariat, with the cooperation of the PAIGH Authorities and the National Sections, continue with the updating of the rules and procedures of the PAIGH, including the revocation of the “Regulations for the Directing Council”.



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Resolution No. 8

INSTALLATION OF PLAQUE COMMEMORATING THE 95th ANNIVERSARY OF THE CREATION OF THE PAIGH

The 23rd General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH), held in the city of Quito, Republic of Ecuador,

CONSIDERING:

- The fact that the Pan American Institute of Geography and History was officially created by the Sixth International Conference of the American States that took place in Havana, Cuba, on February the 7th, 1928;
- The fact that the Mexican Government offered to host the headquarters of this institute, which was accepted by the Pan American community; for this reason, instructions were given for the palace that the PAIGH now occupies to be built for this purpose; this was inaugurated on May the 5th, 1930;
- The PAIGH having been, since 1949, an Inter-American organization specializing in scientific-technical matters, attached to the OAS, and which possesses technical and financial autonomy;
- The fact that on February 7th, 2023, the Pan American Institute of Geography and History will reach 95 years of existence, serving the Pan American community. Over this period, it has encouraged, coordinated and published studies involving the areas of interest to it, to the benefit of America; in the same way, it has supported the creation of knowledge, by means of studies, training and work performed by its Commissions, also by encouraging and supporting interdisciplinary cooperation between the institutes of the continent and relevant international organizations;
- The recommendations made by the 98th Meeting of PAIGH Authorities and by the Administrative Policy Committee,

RESOLVES TO:

Give instructions for the General Secretariat to place a commemorative plaque referring to the 95th Anniversary of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History within the interior of the Palace headquarters, in the framework of a ceremony to be held on the coming February 7th, 2023.



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Resolution No. 9

INSTALLATION OF PLAQUE COMMEMORATING THE INAUGURATION OF THE HISTORIC ARCHIVE OF THE PAIGH AND GIVING IT THE NAME OF “ING. PEDRO CELESTINO SÁNCHEZ”

The 23rd General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH), held in the city of Quito, Republic of Ecuador,

CONSIDERING:

- The fact that the PAIGH, being an institution that is almost a century old and that is a point of scientific reference at this time, has available a wide range of documentation with historic value, which is part of the heritage of the Pan American community and it is scattered;
- The fact that it is needed for the General Secretariat to perform tasks of searching for, identifying, cataloguing, classifying and conserving documentation, as is proper for a historic archive;
- The fact that, over the last century, the Pan American Institute of Geography and History has encouraged research into historic science and has disseminated material from this discipline, which has made it a point of scientific reference in the area of the humanities in the 21st century in America and the world;
- The fact that the Engineer Pedro Celestino Sánchez was the person who performed the Project through which the Pan American Institute of Geography and History was founded and was its first director, exercising this responsibility in excellent form from 1929 to 1950; moreover, he established the foundations for the modern institution that exists today;
- The fact that an area within the Palace of the PAIGH dedicated to Engineer Pedro Celestino Sánchez would enable to keep and conserve the memory of such a notable figure;
- The fact that, over the 95 years of the existence of the PAIGH, the General Secretariat has had available only document stocks made up of papers for immediate use, momentarily gathered together, spread out among its various administrative areas, for which it is essential to generate a file with the documentation of historical value;



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- The fact that on the next February 7th, 2023, the PAIGH will reach 95 years since it was founded. Among such significant celebrations and as a major event for the Pan American community, the plaque for the Historic Archive could be inaugurated with the name of Ing. Pedro Celestino Sánchez, as part of the preparations for the Centenary of our institution;
- The recommendations made by the 97th and 98th Meetings of PAIGH Authorities and by the Administrative Policy Committee,

RESOLVES TO:

- Firstly. Authorize the General Secretariat to place a metal commemorative plaque at the entrance to the area dedicated to the historical records stocks, on the next February 7th, 2023, inaugurating the historic archive of the PAIGH, within the context of the commemoration ceremony for the 95th anniversary.
- Secondly. Authorize the General Secretariat of the PAIGH to carry out the tasks necessary for performing the work of searching for, identifying, cataloguing, classifying and conserving the documents, in order to build up and shape the historic archive of the Institute.



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Resolution No. 10

CREATION OF THE WALL FOR FEMALE PAIGH AUTHORITIES

The 23rd General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH), held in the city of Quito, Republic of Ecuador,

CONSIDERING:

- The fact that, in accordance with current times, it is necessary to recognize the merits of those women who are in scientific and administrative positions, independently of their nationality, and, through their talents, have contributed to the scientific development of Cartography, Geography, History and Geophysics, also to the related sciences that are of interest to the PAIGH;
- The fact that many professional ladies serving the PAIGH have taken up positions as PAIGH Authorities, while their merits have not been sufficiently recognized due to the lack of a policy of inclusion;
- The fact that all the efforts of the female PAIGH Authorities benefit the original goal of the PAIGH, which is to contribute to peace in America, by means of performing scientific–technical studies and making known their results;
- The fact that the Palace holding the headquarters of the General Secretariat of the PAIGH has three galleries where the portraits of the Presidents and Secretaries General take up walls specifically for them; nevertheless, nowhere is there any female authority,
- The recommendations made by the 97th and 98th Meetings of PAIGH Authorities and by the Administrative Policy Committee,

RESOLVES TO:

- Firstly. Authorize the General Secretariat to assign a wall to be dedicated to the women who have exercised posts as an Authority of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History, within the Palace headquarters building, to be inaugurated in the context of a ceremony to take place on the coming February 7th, in 2023.
- Secondly. Invite the Member States to promote the participation of women in the Commissions.



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Resolution No. 11

CREATION OF THE “PAN AMERICAN” AWARD TO SCIENTIFIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONS, WHO HAVE SERVED THE PAIGH

The 23rd General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH), held in the city of Quito, Republic of Ecuador,

CONSIDERING:

- The fact that, in accordance with current times, it is necessary to recognize the merits of women and men, scientists and administrative staff, independently of their nationality, who have, with their talents, contributed to the scientific development of Cartography, Geography, History and Geophysics, also to related sciences that are of interest to the PAIGH;
- The fact that the PAIGH creates the “Pan American Award”, for the purpose of recognizing the background and achievements of those scientists of the PAIGH Member States who are outstanding in the performance of the sciences that the Institute is involved in;
- The fact that there are many persons who, without necessarily being scientists, have provided services to the PAIGH and to the Pan American community with their professionalism, loyalty, spirit of being of service and of making sacrifice, even representing it in a responsible and worthy manner in various international forums;
- The fact that, most of these professional women and men, on numerous occasions have done this in honorary posts;
- The fact that all the efforts of these persons help the PAIGH along towards its original goal, which is to contribute to peace in America, by means of performing scientific–technical studies and making known their results;
- The fact that this General Assembly has decided to recognize, by means of the “Pan American Award” the effort of the people who have served the PAIGH over several years and who deserve a worthy recognition. To this end, their merits, background and contributions for the benefit of the Pan American community will be considered;
- The recommendations made by the Administrative Policy Committee,



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RESOLVES TO:

- Firstly. Create the “Pan American Award”, which will be granted to recognize the background and achievements of those scientists from the PAIGH Member States for their outstanding merit in the development of related sciences that are of interest to the PAIGH; and who, without necessarily being scientists, with their professionalism, loyalty, spirit of service and of sacrifice, have rendered services to the PAIGH and to the Pan American community.
- Secondly. Instruct the Secretary General to prepare a text proposal that regulates and standardizes the requirements to be taken into account to grant the “Pan American Award”, which must be distributed to the Member States in March 2023 for their consideration.
- Thirdly. Exhort the PAIGH National Sections to nominate candidates who, due to their years of service, merits, trajectory and contributions for the benefit of the Pan American community, are worthy of the “Pan American Award”.



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Resolution No. 12

INSTALLATION OF A COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE ON THE HISTORIC SITE OF MEXICO, WHICH IS CURRENTLY THE PAIGH HEADQUARTERS PALACE

The 23rd General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH), held in the city of Quito, Republic of Ecuador,

CONSIDERING:

- The fact that Palace building currently the site of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History central office was built on the site that had held the stables of the Palace of the “Ex-Arzobispado de Tacubaya” property lot, in Mexico City;
- The creation of the “Heroic Military School” of Mexico on October the 11th, 1823, which means that next year, it will be 200 years since that training site came into existence; within this site, where now the central office of the PAIGH occupies part of the land, there used to be stables and a courtyard for drills used by the above-mentioned military training establishment from 1869 to 1882;
- The historic importance of the Palace holding the central office of the PAIGH for the study of the historic events of Mexico in the nineteenth century;
- The recommendations made by the 98th Meeting of PAIGH Authorities and by the Administrative Policy Committee,

RESOLVES TO:

Instruct the General Secretariat to place a commemorative plaque, on the interior facade, referring to historic past of the Palace building of the PAIGH central office and of the above-mentioned training establishment; also to make the necessary arrangements involving the Government of the United Mexican States for the fulfilment of this goal.



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Resolution No. 13

CREATION OF COMMITTEES CONCERNED WITH THE CENTENARY OF THE PAIGH

The 23rd General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH), held in the city of Quito, Republic of Ecuador,

CONSIDERING:

- The fact that the Pan American Institute of Geography and History was officially created by the Sixth International Conference of the American States that verifiably took place in Havana, Cuba, on February the 7th, 1928;
- The fact that now, the PAIGH is a specialized Inter-American organization of a scientific-technical nature of the OAS, that possesses technical and financial autonomy;
- The fact that, since its foundation, the PAIGH has encouraged, coordinated and distributed results from the studies associated with its areas of interest, to the benefit of America. In the same way it has supported the creation of knowledge, by means of studies, training and other work performed by its Commissions, also encouraging and supporting interdisciplinary cooperation between the institutes of America and relevant international organizations;
- The date of 7th of February, 2028, on which the PAIGH will fulfil its first century of existence and will become an institution passing its centenary, which constitute a reason to celebrate;
- The importance of thinking about the significance and the service that the PAIGH provides to the Pan American community;
- The fact that it is convenient for the National Sections, as bodies established by each Member State for the fulfilment of the mission, vision, principles and scientific strategy of the PAIGH within the local national sphere, to have their own “PAIGH Centenary Preparatory National Committees”, with the aim of celebrating, by means of running scientific projects, such a major milestone for the Americas; also of rethinking how the institution we intend for the near future should be;



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- The importance of having available a Celebrations Committee to coordinate the centenary activities at continental level, with the aim of preventing duplicated efforts being able to propose an agenda of concrete actions in the scientific, financial and administrative spheres, along the route to the PAIGH Centenary. This Committee would be made up of a President, a Vice-President and a Technical Secretary;
- The recommendations made by the 98th Meeting of PAIGH Authorities and by the Administrative Policy Committee,

RESOLVES TO:

- Firstly. Call upon the National Sections, as organizations of the Member States, to set up, in the national sphere and within their areas of competence, a national Celebrations Committee that will prepare the way towards the Centenary of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History.
- Secondly. Authorize, as from the current date, the creation of the Celebrations Coordinating Committee titled "*Rethinking the Earth Sciences and History; Preparing for the Centenary of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History 1928-2028*". This will have the mission of coordinating with the General Assembly, Authorities, the General Secretariat, National Sections, institutes and international organizations, at continental level and concerning the celebrations to be held leading up to 2028, by means of an agenda of concrete actions in the scientific, financial and administrative spheres. This organization, for a specific set of events, will be made up of a President, a Vice-President and a Technical Secretary. These posts will be taken up by, respectively, the President, the Vice-President and the Secretary General of the PAIGH. This committee will stand down on February the 7th, 2029.



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Resolution No. 14

RATIFICATION OF THE AGREEMENTS AND LOAN AGREEMENT, SIGNED BETWEEN VARIOUS ENTITIES AND THE PAIGH

The 23rd General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH), held in the city of Quito, Republic of Ecuador,

CONSIDERING:

- The fact that point 3 of Article 34 of the Organic Statute currently in force establishes that it is a function of the Secretary General to encourage linkages between governments, academic institutions, multilateral organizations and private initiative, for the purpose of fulfilling the mission of the PAIGH;
- The fact that point 14 of Article 9 of the “Rules of Procedure of the General Secretariat” establishes that it is a function of the Secretary General to “Sign agreements, memorandums of understanding and their equivalents with governments, international organizations or private institutions, which should subsequently be ratified by the General Assembly...”;
- The texts of the following Agreements and Loan Agreement:

1. *Cooperation agreement between the “Dialnet” Foundation of the “La Rioja” University and the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH).*

For the inclusion of PAIGH scientific journals in the academic search engine of the Dialnet portal, for their availability in open access, dissemination and download of content.

Validity: Until May 16, 2026.

2. *Second Specific Cooperation Agreement signed between the Center for Research in Geospatial Information Sciences, A.C. (CentroGeo) and the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH).*

To grant four scholarships in the year 2022 by the PAIGH to applicants from its Member States for the Diploma in Geospatial Information Analysis of the CentroGEO.

Validity: Until December 20, 2022.



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3. *Cooperation agreement between the Latin America and Caribbean Research Center (CIALC) of the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM) and the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH).*

To award 10 scholarships in 2022 by the PAIGH to applicants from its Member States for the CIALC Diploma in American History.

Validity: Until February 2, 2027.

4. *Loan Agreement between the Agricultural and Fisheries Information Service (SIAP) of Mexico and the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH).*

To formalize the use of the space that for several years has been occupied by the "Manuel Orozco y Berra" Map Library, an entity that safeguards the PAIGH cartographic approach.

Validity: Until October 11, 2027.

- The recommendations made by the 97th and 98th Meetings of PAIGH Authorities and by the Committee on Administrative Policy,

RESOLVES TO:

Ratify the mentioned formal Agreements and the Loan Agreement, signed with the PAIGH.



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Resolution No. 15

LOCATIONS FOR THE 24th GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE 100th MEETING OF AUTHORITIES OF THE PAN AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF GEOGRAPHY AND HISTORY

The 23rd General Assembly of the Pan American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH), held in the city of Quito, Republic of Ecuador,

CONSIDERING:

- The fact that, in accordance with the new version of the Organic Statute, approved during the 22nd General Assembly of the PAIGH, run in virtual mode (October 27th, 2021), the General Assembly will be held once a year;
- The fact that the General Assembly decides the location, host and date, both for the following meeting to come and for the alternative location, with the prior consent of the corresponding National Sections;
- The formal offer made by the Government of the Dominican Republic, through its respective National Section, for the city of Santo Domingo to be the location for the 24th General Assembly;
- The formal offer made by the Government of the Plurinational State of Bolivia, through its respective National Section, for the city of La Paz to be the location for the 24th General Assembly;
- The formal offer made by the Government of the Republic of Colombia for the city of Bogotá to be the location for the 24th General Assembly;
- That recommended by the Administrative Policy Committee and by the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

RESOLVES TO:

- Firstly. Accept and thank the proposals of the Governments of the Dominican Republic, the Plurinational State of Bolivia and the Republic of Colombia to host the 24th General Assembly of the PAIGH to be held in year 2023.
- Secondly. Designate the city of Santo Domingo, capital of the Dominican Republic, as the location for the 24th General Assembly.



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- Thirdly. Instruct the General Secretariat of the PAIGH the performance of the tasks necessary for organizing the statutory meetings to be held during the final quarter of 2023, inviting the National Sections to send their proposals to host the 25th General Assembly of the PAIGH, no later than September 30, 2023.



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Resolution No. 16

ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS FOR THE YEAR 2022 FROM THE PAIGH AUTHORITIES

The 23rd General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH), held in the city of Quito, Republic of Ecuador,

CONSIDERING:

- The reports on activities corresponding to the year 2022 submitted by the following Authorities:
 1. Dr. Patricia Solis, President of the PAIGH;
 2. BA. Pahola Méndez Mata, Vice-President of the Institute;
 3. MA. Antonio Campuzano Rosales, Secretary General;
 4. MSc. Max Alberto Lobo Hernández, President of the Cartography Commission;
 5. Dr. Hermann Manríquez Tirado, President of the Geography Commission;
 6. Dr. Filiberto Cruz Sánchez, President of the History Commission;
 7. Dr. Mario Calixto Ruiz Romero, President of the Geophysics Commission;

- The recommendations made by the first plenary session and by the Resolutions Coordinating Committee;

RESOLVES TO:

- Firstly. Accept the reports submitted by the Authorities of the PAIGH.
- Secondly. Highlight the leadership and the achievements reached during the year 2022 by the Authorities of the PAIGH.



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Resolution No. 17

PRESENTATION OF THE REPORTS FROM THE PAIGH NATIONAL SECTIONS

The 23rd General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH), held in the city of Quito, Republic of Ecuador,

CONSIDERING:

- The fact that Article 54, point 6, of the PAIGH Organic Statute established that the National Sections shall “report their activities to the General Assembly of the PAIGH. Such reports are expected to include the salient achievements of the National Section and also the list of its members”;
- The annual reports sent to the General Secretariat by the following National Sections: Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, United States of America, and Uruguay;
- The recommendations made by the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

RESOLVES TO:

- Firstly. Thank those National Sections who submitted their respective reports on time and in the right way, in order to report to the 23rd General Assembly about their activities involving and benefiting the Institute and about their relations with the respective governments of the Member States.
- Secondly. Reiterate the importance of including in the report, the description of the corresponding activities and the full list of the members of the National Section.



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Resolution No. 18

RECOGNITION OF THE MILITARY GEOGRAPHIC INSTITUTE, THE NATIONAL SECTION OF THE PAIGH IN ECUADOR AND THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE FOR PREPARING THE 23rd GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND THE 98th MEETING OF PAIGH AUTHORITIES

The 23rd General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH), held in the city of Quito, Republic of Ecuador,

CONSIDERING:

- The careful organization, execution on time of the tasks involved and kind, helpful attention provided by the Military Geographic Institute, headquarters of the National Section of the PAIGH in Ecuador, and the Organizing Committee for holding and running the 23rd General Assembly and the 98th Meeting of PAIGH Authorities;
- The support and special attention received during the planning of the General Assembly from the staff of the Military Geographic Institute, headquarters of the PAIGH National Section in Ecuador;
- The dedicated work performed by the Organizing Committee, in coordination with the General Secretariat, for the preparation and organization of the 23rd General Assembly and the 98th Meeting of PAIGH Authorities, and for putting these into effect;
- The recommendations made by the Resolutions Coordinating Committee,

RESOLVES TO:

Firstly. Instruct the Secretary General to express, warmly and sincerely, the recognition and thanks given by the PAIGH and the Pan American community to its Military Geographic Institute to the Government of the Republic of Ecuador, and headquarters of the PAIGH National Section, led by its Director, "EMC" Col. Pablo Aníbal Acosta Álvarez, and to all the members of the Local Organizing Committee, for the major contribution provided to the PAIGH for successfully holding and running the 23rd General Assembly and the 98th Meeting of PAIGH Authorities, held in Quito, Ecuador from October 24-27, 2022.



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Secondly. Award a commemorative plaque of thanks and recognition to the Military Geographical Institute of the Republic of Ecuador, headquarters of the PAIGH National Section, also to the Organizing Committee, for their praiseworthy contribution to the PAIGH.