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Resolution 4

APPRECIATION EXPRESSED TO THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA FOR ITS CONTRIBUTIONS AS A PERMANENT OBSERVER STATE OF THE PAN AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF GEOGRAPHY AND HISTORY

The 24th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH), held in the city of Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic,

Considering:

- The fact that Article 7, point 1, of the Organic Statute establishes that “Those states proposed by Member States eligible to vote or by the General Secretariat” may request the status of Permanent Observer of the PAIGH;
- The fact that the Government of the Republic of Korea, through their Embassy in Mexico, requested, via verbal note, their incorporation as Permanent Observer State of the PAIGH towards the end of 2018;
- The fact that the 49th Meeting of the Directing Council (virtual mode, November 2019), conceded the status of Permanent Observer to the Republic of Korea, and assigned to the Secretary General, MA. César Rodríguez Tomeo, the task of setting up the contributions that the Republic of Korea may offer to the programs of the PAIGH;
- The fact that, in 2020, the Republic of Korea provided a package of free-access grants for 21 expert representatives of the Pan American community, for an in-person training workshop on geographic names and geospatial information (*Capacity Building on Geographical Names and Geospatial Information for experts of PAIGH Member States*) at the National Geographic Information Institute (NGII) at the city of Suwon. Nevertheless, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it was not possible to put that event into effect;
- The fact that, for 2021, the Republic of Korea offered a remote webinar on these same themes, which represented a generous sample of this Observer State’s contributions towards the Pan American community, as this remote workshop did not replace the in-person one that had been postponed in 2020;
- The fact that, in November 2022 and in September 2023, with no cost at all for the Pan American community, it was possible to run the workshop “*Capacity Building on Geographical Names and Geospatial Information for experts of PAIGH Member States*” in face-to-face mode, at which 19 Member States were represented each year, and the participation was very active; which certainly demonstrates the



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commitment, solidarity and generosity of the Korean people towards the Pan American community;

- That recommended by the 99th and 100th Meetings of Authorities and by the Scientific Policy Committee,

Resolves:

Firstly: To instruct the Secretary General of the PAIGH to express in writing, with esteem, the recognition and appreciation of the PAIGH and of the Pan American community, to the Government of the Republic of Korea, by means of its Embassy in the country hosting the PAIGH headquarters, and to its National Geographic Information Institute (NGII), emphasizing its generosity and commitment for putting into effect the “Training Workshops on Geographic Names and Geospatial Information for experts of the PAIGH Member States” held so far.

Secondly: To grant a recognition as a gesture of appreciation to the National Geographic Information Institute of the Republic of Korea (NGII), for its commendable contribution to the scientific community of America.

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This Resolution was adopted at the 24th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH), held and recorded in the city of Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic on November the 2nd, 2023.

MA. Antonio Campuzano Rosales
Secretary General

