ELECTION OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE INSTITUTE

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The provisions of Articles 14, 15 and 22 of the Organic Statutes;

The candidacy which was submitted in a timely and appropriate manner by the government of Chile;

The points approved at the first plenary session of the 20th General Assembly held on November 20, 2013 in Montevideo, Uruguay;

The recommendations of the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To elect Dr. Rodrigo Barriga-Vargas from Chile, by acclamation as the Secretary General for the 2013-2017 term of office and until the 21st General Assembly.
- 2. To inform the illustrious government of Chile of said decision.

ELECTION OF THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE INSTITUTE

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The provisions of Articles 14 and 15 of the Organic Statutes;

The candidacy which was submitted in a timely and appropriate manner by the government of El Salvador;

The points approved at the first plenary session of the 20th General Assembly held on November 20, 2013 in Montevideo, Uruguay;

The recommendations of the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To elect Rigoberto Magaña Chavarría, from El Salvador, by acclamation as the Vice President for the 2013-2017 term of office and until the 21st General Assembly.
- 2. To inform the illustrious government of El Salvador of said decision.

RATIFICATION OF THE ELECTION OF THE OFFICERS OF THE COMMISSIONS

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The election held during the joint plenary session of the Meetings of Consultation of the Commissions of the PAIGH in Montevideo, Uruguay on November 18, 2013;

The reports containing the recommendations of said Meetings which were conveyed to the 20th General Assembly on November, 20 2013;

The recommendations of the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To ratify the election of Carlos López-Vázquez, Ph. D. (Uruguay) as PAIGH officer in his role as Chairperson of the Commission on Cartography for the 2013-2017 term of office and Yuri Sebastián Resnichenko Nocetti as Vice Chairperson of the Commission for the same term.
- 2. To ratify the election of Jean Parcher (United States of America) as PAIGH officer in her role as Chairperson of the Commission on Geography for the 2013-2017 term of office and Patricia Solis, Ph. D. as Vice Chairperson of the Commission for the same term.
- 3. To ratify the election of Patricia Galeana Herrera, Ph. D. (Mexico) as PAIGH officer in her role as Chairperson of the Commission on History for the 2013-2017 term of office and Adalberto Santana Hernández, Ph. D. as Vice Chairperson of the Commission for the same term.
- 4. To ratify the extension of the term of Walter Fernández Rojas, Ph. D. (Costa Rica) as PAIGH officer in his role as Chairperson of the Commission on Geophysics for the 2013-2017 term of office and Walter Montero Pohly, as Vice Chairperson of the Commission for the same term.

ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE INSTITUTE

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The provisions of Articles 14 and 15 of the Organic Statutes;

The analysis conducted during the first plenary session of the 20th General Assembly held on November 20, 2013 in Montevideo, Uruguay;

The importance of focusing on the best interests of the Institute and the advantages of reaching a strong consensus regarding the decisions that play an influential role on the development of the institution;

The recommendations of the second plenary session,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To postpone the election of the President of the PAIGH for the 2013-2017 term of office
- 2. To instruct the Secretary General Elect to, as per the Statutes and Rules of Procedures of the PAIGH, call a new election.
- 3. To stipulate that the post of President be filled before the 81st Meeting of Officers to be held in June 2014 in Mexico City.
- 4. In the meantime, the duties of *ad-interim* President will be performed by the Vice President of the Institute, Rigoberto Magaña Chavarría from El Salvador.
- 5. To inform the illustrious Member States of this decision.

COORDINATION OF REGIONAL EFFORTS TO DEVELOP GEOSPATIAL DATA IN THE AMERICAS

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

That after successfully working in Buenos Aires, Argentina during the 44th Meeting of the Directing Council, the "2013-2015 PAIGH/SIRGAS/PC-IDEA/GeoSUR Joint Action Plan to Expedite the Development of Spatial Data Infrastructure of the Americas" was signed;

Resolution 2011/24 of the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) established the Initiative on Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM);

That via Resolution 7 of the 10th United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas, the Permanent Committee for Geospatial Data Infrastructure of the Americas (PC-IDEA) acquired the name of UN-GGIM-Americas in order to align itself and contribute to the development of the vision of the UNGGIM Initiative;

Resolution 1 of the 10th United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for the Americas recognized the work being carried out by the PAIGH, SIRGAS, PC-IDEA (now UN-GGIM-A) and the CAF-PAIGH GeoSUR Program to develop spatial information in the region and recommended there be increased collaboration and coordination between the UN-GGIM-A and the PAIGH, SIRGAS and GeoSUR based on the aforementioned 2013-2015 Joint Action Plan;

Said aims are consistent with the strategic plan of the "PAIGH 2010-2020 Pan American Agenda";

The recommendations of the 80th Meeting of Officers, the Scientific Policy Committee and the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To back the efforts of the UN-GGIM and its Group of Experts to improve coordination and collaboration so as to develop spatial information globally, particularly in the developing countries requiring more technical cooperation.
- 2. To recommend the PAIGH act as a facilitator of said cooperation process by contributing to the execution of the quadrennial plan of the PAIGH's Commission on Cartography, the consolidation of the SIRGAS as the sole

Geospatial Reference System in the Region, the strengthening of the CAF-PAIGH GeoSUR program as an instrument to develop applications and the fortifying of a geospatial information network that fosters the integration of North, Central, South America and the Caribbean.

3. As the "2013-2015 PAIGH/SIRGAS/PC-IDEA/GeoSUR Joint Action Plan to Expedite the Development of Spatial Data Infrastructure of the Americas" was drafted based on the development activities planned for 2013-2015 and the 11th United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference will be held in 2016, in order to facilitate and foster the review of the Joint Plan a decision was reached to extend it to 2016 in order to harmonize and unify work periods in subsequent annual reviews.

QUALITY AND ACCREDITATION – RELATED ASPECTS WHEN GRANTING PAIGH AWARDS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

In Resolution 18 (Chile, 2006), the Directing Council approved the resolution entitled "Modification of the Bases for the Quadrennial PAIGH Awards and Acknowledgements and Special Call for the Pan American Medal in Geography and the Wallace W. Atwood" Award;

The appropriateness of having mechanisms that will make the Organization more efficient for its adequate governance and the achievement of its goals;

Awards granted by the Institute to works produced by Member State specialists must comply with international parameters of excellence and quality that will accord the winner, the Institute and the awards increased prestige;

Awards should not only recognize a professional career but especially a proven sense of excellence and outstanding contributions to the achievement of the goals of the PAIGH;

It is appropriate to standardize the parameters to assess, verify and accredit the merits required to qualify for the awards and acknowledgements granted by the Institute:

The recommendations of the 80^{th} Meeting of Officers and the Scientific Policy Committee,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To entrust the Officers to submit a recommendation to the 45th session of the Directing Council, to be held in 2014, to modify the bases that regulate the awards and acknowledgments of the Institute so as to determine the requirements to nominate candidates and works, assist with the evaluation conducted by the jury, facilitate the decision-making process and assure the best interests of the PAIGH are satisfied.
- 2. To that end, the recommendation is for Officers to bear in mind international parameters used for other awards and acknowledgements and especially the way in which publications, careers and documents submitted have to be accredited, as well as other academia, research and service elements to continue to help an institution such as the PAIGH to grow.

3. To project the recommendations of the Officers so as to add to the prestige of the PAIGH with a future vision based on updating the awards and acknowledgements granted by the institution.

PRESENTATION OF THE REPORTS OF THE NATIONAL SECTIONS

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

Article 38, subsection 5 of the Organic Statutes of the PAIGH establishes that one of the duties of the National Sections is to annually account for their activities before the Directing Council or General Assembly;

The National Sections of the following countries have submitted their reports to the 20th General Assembly: Argentina, Chile, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Panama, Peru, the Dominican Republic, the United States of America and Uruguay;

The recommendations of the Scientific Policy Committee and the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To thank the National Sections of said countries for providing a report to the 20th General Assembly on their activities in support of the programs of the Institute and on their relationships with the corresponding governments of the Member States.
- 2. To reiterate the importance of including a description of the corresponding activities and the full list of members of the National Section in their reports.
- 3. To reiterate that one of the requirements for National Sections to submit requests for Technical Assistance Projects is that they present the report of activities of the National Section of the corresponding country.
- 4. To set April 30, 2014 as the deadline for Member States who have not already done so, to submit their 2013 reports.

EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE TO SPAIN AS OBSERVER OF THE PAIGH

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

That as an Observer of the PAIGH as per Cooperation Agreement signed in 2005 with the National Geographic Institute of Spain (IGN), Spain has backed multiple and important activities of the Institute for the benefit of the Commissions and Member States;

Within the aforementioned Cooperation Agreement, Spain's IGN has assisted in training human resources; executed cooperation projects to the benefit of several Member States, particularly Haiti; through the R3IGeo Network has backed the work of the Commission on Cartography on geographic information standards; facilitated the production of publications of the Commission on History and the traveling exhibition "America: Contact and Independence"; and, in collaboration with the GeoSUR Program provided on-line training on innovation.

The recommendations of the Scientific Policy Committee and the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To express the gratitude of the Member States of the Institute and the Pan American community to Spain, its IGN and National Center for Geographic Information (CNIG), as well as to their directors and personnel, for the significant and effective cooperation so generously lent to the PAIGH.
- 2. To reiterate the interest and willingness of the PAIGH to emphasize and extend the cooperation during the 2013-2017 quadrennium.

EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE TO THE CAF – DEVELOPMENT BANK OF LATIN AMERICA

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The CAF-PAIGH GeoSUR program is progressing in consolidating the Geospatial Network for Latin America and the Caribbean;

The sustainability achieved by the Program and its results in terms of applications to facilitate access to spatial databases created in the Member States that have assisted in developing transnational spatial information that has helped regional integration;

To a great degree, the achievements have been the result of the support provided to the PAIGH and the Member States by CAF – Development of Latin America;

The recommendations of the Scientific Policy Committee and the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To express the gratitude of the Member States of the Institute and the Pan American community to the CAF Development Bank of Latin America, particularly the coordinating office of the GeoSUR Program and its personnel, for the significant and effective cooperation lent to the PAIGH.
- 2. To reiterate the interest and willingness of the PAIGH to emphasize and extend the cooperation for the development and consolidation of the Program during the 2013-2017 quadrennium.

MAXIMUM LIMIT ON 2014-2017 ANNUAL QUOTAS FOR MEMBER STATES AND SETTING OF SCALE OF QUOTAS FOR 2014

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

Article 39 of the Organic Statutes and article 3 of the Financial Rules of Procedure stipulate that the Institute must annually set the quotas to be defrayed by Member States during the following year;

Resolution 9 of the 19th General Assembly (Ecuador, 2009) determined it is fitting to continue with the maximum limit of the Program Budget for annual quotas of US\$878,000, which has been in effect since 2001;

Financial precautions taken have allowed for normal operations and backing of the PAIGH's Technical Assistance program for 2014 in spite of the fact that the maintenance quotas of some Member States are in arrears;

The recommendations of the 79th and 80th Meetings of Officers and the Financial Policy Committee,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To continue with the same scale of quotas in 2014 which has been in effect since 1996.
- 2. To back the strategy of the General Secretariat which consists of seeking specific alternative funds to execute the priorities established in the Pan American Agenda.
- 3. To maintain the maximum limit of the Program Budget for 2014-2017 annual quotas at US\$878,000, as has been the case since 2001.

2012 FINANCIAL REPORT

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The review of the Financial Report for fiscal year 2012;

The successful management results of the General Secretariat during fiscal year 2012 which translated into the financial sustainability of the Institute and the ability to carry out the institutional programs during fiscal year 2013;

The recommendations of the Financial Policy Committee and the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

To approve the 2012 Financial Report and congratulate the Secretary General for the excellent achievements obtained through financial management.

2012 AUDIT REPORT

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The Audit Report submitted by the public accountant and business consultancy firm of "Despacho Munir Hayek, S.C. Contadores Públicos y Consultores de Negocios", dated January 1 to December 31, 2012 and its ruling that the financial statements of the PAIGH adequately reflect the financial situation for the stated fiscal year;

The information presented to the 20th General Assembly by the President of the PAIGH as to the content and quality of the audited period;

The recommendations of the Financial Policy Committee and the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To approve the Audit Report for fiscal year 2012.
- 2. To authorize the Secretary General of the PAIGH to hire the auditing services for the Institute for 2013.

2014 PROGRAM BUDGET

The 20^{th} General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The Draft Program-Budget submitted by the General Secretariat for 2014;

The recommendations of the 79^{th} and 80^{th} Meeting of Officers, the Financial Policy Committee and the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

To approve the 2014 Program-Budget.

PROPOSAL TO MODIFY ARTICLE 27 OF THE ORGANIC STATUTES

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The appropriateness of having mechanisms that will make the Organization more efficient for its adequate governance and the achievement of its goals;

The convenience of the concept of the extension of the mandate being connected to outstanding results achieved during the term of office for which the Secretary General and Commission Chairpersons have been elected in such a way that the exception to the continued management for an additional period effectively contribute to the progress of the institution and the reaching of exact statutory objectives, as per proposed new work plans by the corresponding Officers involved in the extension;

The recommendations of the $43^{\rm rd}$ Meeting of the Directing Council, in Resolution 13;

The recommendations of the 79th and 80th Meetings of Officers and the Administrative Policy Committee,

RESOLVES:

To modify Article 27 of the Organic Statutes, to read as follows:

(Amendment: Bold means this text has been added)

Article 27. Each Commission shall elect its Chairperson and Vice Chairperson, for their ratification by the General Assembly, from among the nationals of a single state for the period between two regular meetings of the General Assembly. They shall not be re-elected nor succeeded by persons of the same nationality.

The candidates for the post of Chairperson of each Commission shall send their curriculum vitae and their proposed Work Plan for their term of office to the General Secretariat five months before the General Assembly. The General Secretariat will forward these documents to the Member States four months before the General Assembly.

In exceptional circumstances, and when this is advantageous to the interests of PAIGH, their term may be extended until the next General Assembly by

a two thirds vote of the Member States. The interest of the PAIGH is translated into the outstanding performance of the Chairperson of the Commission which must be reflected in said Commission's annual reports.

Although Officers have been nominated by their governments, they shall act in the name of the PAIGH when performing the duties of their post.

HONORARY AFFILIATE

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

Resolution 7 of the 21st Meeting of the Directing Council (United States of America, 1983) and Resolution 5 of the 22nd Meeting of the Directing Council (Dominican Republic, 1984);

Noé Pineda Portillo, Ph. D. was the Chairperson for the National Section of the PAIGH in Honduras between 1994 and 2002 and President of the Institute from 1997-2001;

The recommendations of the 80th Meeting of Officers, the Administrative Policy Committee and the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To name Noé Pineda Portillo, Ph. D., from Honduras, as Honorary Affiliate of the PAIGH.
- 2. To request that the National Section of Honduras hold a special ceremony to present the distinction which will be sent by the General Secretariat.
- 3. That the General Secretariat will give this designation widespread coverage.

VENUE FOR THE 45TH MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

The 20th General Assembly and the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The cordial invitation of the government of Chile to hold the 45th Meeting of the Directing Council of the PAIGH in 2014;

The recommendations of the 80^{th} Meeting of Officers and the Administrative Policy Committee,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To designate Chile as the venue of the 45th Meeting of the Directing Council to be held in the last quarter of 2014.
- 2. To thank the government of Chile for its offer and for its interest in backing the activities of the PAIGH.

VENUE FOR THE 46TH MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The cordial invitation of the government of Colombia to hold the 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the PAIGH in 2015;

The recommendations of the 80^{th} Meeting of Officers and the Administrative Policy Committee,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To designate Colombia as the venue of the 46th Meeting of the Directing Council to be held in the last quarter of 2015.
- 2. To thank the government of Colombia for its offer and for its interest in backing the activities of the PAIGH.

VENUE FOR THE THIRD JOINT MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONS OF THE PAIGH

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The cordial invitation of the government of Costa Rica to hold the Third Joint Meeting of the Commissions of the PAIGH in 2015;

The recommendations of the 80^{th} Meeting of Officers and the Administrative Policy Committee,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To designate Costa Rica as the venue of the Third Joint Meeting of the Commissions of the PAIGH to be held in June 2015.
- 2. To thank the government of Costa Rica for its offer and for its interest in backing the activities of the PAIGH.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE REPORT OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The report of activities submitted by the Secretary General entitled "Challenges and Accomplishments of a Decade: A Pan American Memoir";

Said detailed and precise report reflects the events of a significant period in the life of the Institute;

The recommendations of the first plenary session and the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

To accept the report entitled "Challenges and Accomplishments of a Decade: A Pan American Memoir" and congratulate Santiago Borrero-Mutis for the great care he lavished in preparing the institutional memoirs for 2003-2013.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE 2009-2013 REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON CARTOGRAPHY

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The report of activities submitted by the Commission on Cartography for 2009-2013;

The recommendations of the first plenary session and the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To accept the complete 2009-2013 report submitted by the Chairperson of the Commission on Cartography, Alejandra Coll Escanilla.
- 2. To highlight the achievements of the members of the Commission and the leadership of its Chairperson during said period.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE 2011-2013 REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON GEOGRAPHY

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The report of activities submitted by the Commission on Geography for 2011-2013;

The recommendations of the first plenary session and the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To accept the complete 2011-2013 report submitted by the President of the PAIGH, in charge of the Commission on Geography, Prof. Héctor Pena.
- 2. To highlight the achievements of the Commission and the leadership of its Chairperson during said period.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE 2009-2013 REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON GEOPHYSICS

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The report of activities submitted by the Commission on Geophysics for 2009-2013;

The recommendations of the first plenary session and the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To accept the 2009-2013 report submitted by the Chairperson of the Commission on Geophysics, Walter Fernández Rojas, Ph. D.
- 2. To highlight the achievements of the members of the Commission and the leadership of its Chairperson during said period.

2009-2013 COMMISSION ON HISTORY REPORT

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

Due to special circumstances, the Chairperson of the Commission on History was unable to attend the corresponding Meeting of Consultation and the 20th General Assembly and therefore the statutory report was not submitted;

The recommendations of the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

- 1. Obligingly request Maria Cristina Mineiro Scatamacchia, Ph. D. to submit the report in the statutory terms as soon as possible so as to comply with this provision.
- 2. Instruct the General Secretariat to inform the National Sections once the report is available on the website of the Institute.

HONORARY PRESIDENT OF THE PAIGH

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The contributions and dedication of the outgoing President of the PAIGH, Prof. Héctor Pena, during the 2009-2013 term of office;

The recommendations of the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To express the gratitude of the PAIGH to Prof. Héctor Pena for his role, outstanding efficiency and dedication to the Pan American cause of the Institute.
- 2. To grant Prof. Héctor Pena the distinction of being named Honorary President of the PAIGH for the 2013-2017 quadrennium.
- 3. To request the Secretary General inform of the distinction bestowed upon the outgoing President to the government of Argentina and the National Section of the PAIGH in said country and to make this resolution known by the available means.

MEDAL FOR 50 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE PAIGH

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

Article 47 of the Organic Statutes states the Institute may unanimously confer honorary awards to those persons who have rendered exceptional services to the PAIGH;

The contributions and dedication of Prof. Héctor Pena originated at the Seventh General Assembly of the Institute held in Argentina in 1961;

The recommendations of the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To grant Prof. Héctor Pena the "Medal for 50 Years of Service" for his contributions to the development of the PAIGH and Pan Americanism since 1961.
- 2. To request that the National Section of the PAIGH in Argentina hold a special ceremony to present the distinction which will be sent by the General Secretariat.

RECOGNITION TO THE OUTGOING VICE PRESIDENT OF THE PAIGH

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

That upon completion of the mandate conferred at the 19th General Assembly (Ecuador, 2009) the duties of Bruce Presgrave as Vice President of the PAIGH, for the 2009-2013 term of office will conclude;

The dedicated and enthusiastic work carried out by Bruce Presgrave has been acknowledged by the General Assembly;

The recommendations of the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

To warmly express the gratitude of the PAIGH to Bruce Presgrave for his contributions, outstanding efficiency and dedication in the performance of his duties as Vice President of the Institute.

EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ORIENTAL REPUBLIC OF URUGUAY

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The support and outstanding considerations of the illustrious government of the Oriental Republic of Uruguay in the organization of the 20th General Assembly, the Meetings of Consultation of the Commissions of the PAIGH and related scientific activities;

The recommendations of the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

To entrust the Secretary General to, on behalf of the Member States of the PAIGH and their representatives, express our gratitude to the illustrious government of the Oriental Republic of Uruguay and its Minister of Defense for the notable collaboration and support provided to the organization of the 20th General Assembly and the Meetings of Consultation of the PAIGH, extending expressions of fondness to the people of Uruguay and their institutions for all their courtesies.

EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE TO SEVERAL INSTITUTIONS IN THE ORIENTAL REPUBLIC OF URUGUAY

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The assistance provided to the 20th General Assembly by several institutions of the Oriental Republic of Uruguay;

The recommendations of the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

To express its appreciation to the following organizations of the Oriental Republic of Uruguay for their valuable contributions to the successful execution of the 20th General Assembly and the Meetings of Consultation of the Commissions:

- The Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- The Ministry of National Defense
- The Ministry of Tourism
- The Municipal City Council of Montevideo
- The Army Logistics Support Command
- The ANTEL Company
- The Easy Planners Company

RECOGNITION TO THE MILITARY GEOGRAPHIC SERVICE OF URUGUAY, THE NATIONAL SECTION OF THE PAIGH IN URUGUAY AND THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The painstaking organization, timely execution and fraternal kindnesses extended by the National Section of the PAIGH, headquartered at the Military Geographic Service of the Oriental Republic of Uruguay and the Organizing Committee to hold the 20th General Assembly, the Meetings of Consultation and other scientific events connected to the work of the PAIGH;

The recommendations of the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

To affectionately express the recognition and gratitude of the PAIGH and the Pan American community to the National Section of the PAIGH headquartered at the Military Geographic Service of the Oriental Republic of Uruguay, headed by its director, Colonel César Fernando Rodríguez Tomeo and all the members of the organizing committee for the significant contributions made to the Institute for the successful execution of the of the main statutory events, the 20th General Assembly and the 2013 Meetings of Consultation.

EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE TO THE STAFF AT THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING

That the deliberations of the 20th General Assembly and the Meetings of Consultation have successfully concluded;

The dedicated work undertaken by all the staff at the General Secretariat in preparing, coordinating, organizing and developing the General Assembly and the Meetings of Consultation;

The recommendations of the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

To express to Claudia Ulloa, Francisco García, Julieta García, Norberto García and all the staff of the General Secretariat its wholehearted recognition for the painstaking work and constant kindnesses throughout the preparation and execution of the 20th General Assembly and the Meetings of Consultation, without whose contributions their success would not have been possible.

RECOGNITION TO SANTIAGO BORRERO-MUTIS FOR HIS PERFORMANCE AS SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE PAIGH DURING THE 2003-2013 DECADE

The 20th General Assembly of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The exceptional contributions of M.Sc. Santiago Borrero-Mutis, his commitment and dedication to the task entrusted him during the aforementioned decade, his conciliatory spirit thanks to which he always sought agreement by consensus with the firm objective of securing the greatest benefit for the Americas, all of which allowed his term to transform the Institute into the relevant body it currently is;

That his determined support for scientific work, efforts to modernize the Institute through the use of technologies and firm belief in technical training have aided the community of the Americas to undergo a technological transformation;

That his leadership, diplomatic skills and ability to identify leaders in each country have been decisive in reaching the objectives that Pan Americanism has required to consolidate the work of the PAIGH;

That his adroit reengineering has allowed the Institute to attain recognized financial stability that will enable the organization to efficiently overcome the challenges and obstacles of the next few years;

The recommendations of the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES:

To congratulate and warmly thank Santiago Borrero-Mutis for the important legacy he has left the organization as Secretary General of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History.

APPROVED RESOLUTIONS

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