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RESOLUTION No. 1

UPDATING THE JOINT ACCIÓN PLAN FOR ACCELERATING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SPATIAL DATA INFRASTRUCTURE OF THE AMERICAS - PAIGH/SIRGAS/UN-GGIM: Americas/GeoSUR

The 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERANDO:

The importance of the “Joint Action Plan 2013 – 2015 for Accelerating the Development of the Spatial Data Infrastructure of the Americas”, signed between PAIGH/SIRGAS/UN-GGIM:Americas/GeoSUR (44th Meeting of the PAIGH Directing Council, Argentina, 2012), as a means of effective coordination among the regional organizations mentioned here;

The proposal of the Cartography Commission, presented to the 84th Meeting of the Authorities, for updating the above-mentioned “Joint Action Plan”, which is [attached](#);

The recommendations of the 84th Meeting of the Authorities and of the Scientific Policy Committee,

RESOLVES TO:

1. Entrust to the General Secretariat the task of coordinating, in conjunction with the leaders of SIRGAS, UN-GGIM:Americas and GeoSUR, the updating and improvement of the “Joint Action Plan for Accelerating the Development of the Spatial Data Infrastructure of the Americas”, projecting it forwards to the year 2020, considering the fact that the new version of this Plan should be submitted two months before the 47th Meeting of the Directing Council (final quarter of 2016).
2. Entrust to the Cartography Commission the task of following up, once the Plan is approved by the National Sections, and in consultation with the other Commissions. At the same time, that Commission will annually propose updates to it, submitting these to the Authorities of the National Sections.



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RESOLUTION No. 2

ISO/TC 211 STANDARDS

The 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The importance of international standards and rules for reinforcing the work being done by various public, academic and private organizations, especially in the field of geographic information and related matters;

The importance of the standards being developed by Technical Committee 211 of the International Organization for Standardization (ISO/TC 211) concerned with geographic information and geomatics;

The proposal included in the Strategic Business Plan of ISO/TC 211, in which are described the multiple objectives and benefits of this group of standards, also the importance of encouraging a greater participation in this Committee by the countries of the Americas;

The results obtained in the work shop titled “Harmonization of terminology and standards” of the “R3IGeo” network was managed by the National Center for Geographic Information of the National Geographic Institute of Spain held in June 2015, as part of the Third Joint Technical Meeting of the PAIGH Commissions, which made possible the drafting of the second pan-hispanic version of the ISO/TC 211 Glossary;

That recommended by the 83rd and 84th meetings of the Authorities, by the Scientific Policy Committee and the Committee for the Coordination of Resolutions,

RESOLVES TO:

1. Recommend to the Member States manage their active participation in the Technical Committee of the International Organization for



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Standardization for geographic information and geomatics (ISO/TC 211).

2. Recognise the work carried out for developing the second Pan-Hispanic version of the ISO/TC 211 Glossary by the National Center for Geographic Information of the National Geographic Institute of Spain and the attendees at that specific workshop.
3. Entrust to the PAIGH General Secretariat the task of distributing the second Pan-Hispanic version of the ISO/TC 211 Glossary.



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RESOLUTION No. 3

PAIGH EDITORS WORKING GROUP

The 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The recommendations of the Meetings of the Commissions held just prior to the 20th PAIGH General Assembly (Uruguay, 2013), concerning the raising of the periodic publications of the PAIGH to international standards for scientific journals and work towards their inclusion in internationally recognized, reputable indexes;

Resolution N° 11 of the 45th Meeting of the Directing Council (Chile, 2014) which determined that the Working Group of the PAIGH editors be set up, consisting of the editors of the Journals of the Institute;

The report from the PAIGH Editors Working Group, presented at the end of the 3rd Joint Technical Meeting of the PAIGH Commissions (Mexico, 2015);

The meetings held in person and in virtual media by the Editors Working Group, in which the PAIGH Commission Presidents have also participated;

That recommended by the Scientific Policy Committee and the Committee for the Coordination of Resolutions,

RESOLVES TO:

1. Continue the work of the activities of the Editors Working Group, supported by the Publications Department of the PAIGH General Secretariat.
2. Entrust to the Editors Working Group the task of presenting a Project within the program for Technical Cooperation and with financial support from the four PAIGH Commissions, that enables the



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management, administration and communications required by the editorial process involving each of the journals of the Institute, keeping in mind the continual improvement of the process and the raising of the quality of its standards.

3. Give instructions to the PAIGH Editors Working Group for it to present a work plan for the year 2016 which includes a proposal for integrating the periodic publications, with a view to strengthening the editorial management style and every action that reinforces the presence of the Institute as a technical organization in the areas of cartography, geography, history and geophysics.



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RESOLUTION No. 4

WORKSHOP FOR LEADERS OF CARTOGRAPHIC AGENCIES

The 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The presentations made at the “Workshop for building management capabilities in organization and processes at national institutions responsible for geographic data and services and for Spatial Data Infrastructures”;

The support of the PAIGH for the official geographic institutes and cartographic agencies of the Member States that produce and manage the fundamental geographic information necessary for decision-making, for determining public policies, planning, territorial organization and for sustainable development;

The tasks that the PAIGH undertakes for encouraging the development of the Spatial Data Infrastructure of the Americas in the Member States and in relation to the cartographic integration of the region;

That recommended by the 84th Meeting of PAIGH Authorities, by the Scientific Policy Committee and by the Committee for the Coordination of Resolutions,

RESOLVES TO:

1. Recommend that the Member States support and strengthen the official geographic institutes and cartographic agencies of the Member States that produce and manage the fundamental geographic information necessary for decision-making, for determining public policies, planning, territorial organization and sustainable development.
2. Recommend that the Member States reinforce the initiatives that the PAIGH is pushing forwards, for building up capabilities in



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management, by those organizations producing geographic information, for consolidating the spatial data infrastructure of the Member States and of the Region.

3. Recommend that the Member States, through the Geographic Institutes, consolidate the production of the integrated cartography of the Americas as a concrete tool for supporting decision-making processes in public policies, planning, territorial organization, land use and sustainable development.
4. Entrust to the Cartography and Geography Commissions that they send, very soon, to the General Secretariat the conclusions and recommendations obtained from the “Workshop for building management capabilities in organization and processes at national institutions responsible for geographic data and services and for Spatial Data Infrastructures”, for its subsequent distribution to the National Sections of the Member States.



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RESOLUTION No. 5

UPDATES TO THE ANNUAL FEES OF THE MEMBER STATES

The 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The fact that the Directing Council, in accordance with that established in Article 39 of the Organic Statute and Article 3 of the Financial Regulations should annually set the amount of the fees that the Member States should provide, with those rates required to be in effect during the year following that in which they were determined;

That Resolution 10 of the 20th General Assembly, Montevideo, Uruguay, in the year 2013, established that the Budget Program, in the annual membership fees component, should, as a matter of procedure, be kept within the maximum limit of the quantity of US\$ 878,000., this limit having being in effect since 2001;

The current system of fee rates for that which the Member States pay to the PAIGH has remained with no increases since 1996;

That Resolution 16 of the 45th Meeting of the Directing Council, Santiago, Chile, in the year 2014, required the General Secretariat to perform a financial study with the objective of reinforcing the request for resources to the appropriate authorities, so that this study be presented at the 83rd Meeting of the Authorities and subsequently to the 46th Meeting of the Directing Council;

The recommendations of the 83rd and 84th Meetings of the Authorities and of the Financial Policy Committee,



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RESOLVES TO:

1. Approve the financial study drafted by the General Secretariat about increasing the system of rates for the fees paid by the Member States to the PAIGH.
2. Request that the National Sections, before the 1st of December 2015, send to the General Secretariat their contributions and comments about the above-mentioned study in order to incorporate them in the document.
3. After taking into consideration the study and the contributions received from the National Sections, entrust the General Secretariat the task of sending this document during the month of January 2016 to the respective foreign relations ministries in order to require the modification of the rates for the fees.
4. Request that the respective foreign relations ministries give instructions to the Presidents of the National Sections so that the new fee rates begin to be applied from the financial year 2017 onwards, taking effect through their approval at the 47th Meeting of the Directing Council (Paraguay, 2016).



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RESOLUTION No. 6

COOPERATION AGREEMENTS WITH DONOR ORGANISATIONS OF THE REGION

The 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

Article 1 of the Organic Statutes of the PAIGH, where it states that it should encourage and coordinate the performance of cartographic, geophysics, geographical and historical studies;

That such activities require non-reimbursable funding, and that it is necessary to take advantage of the available opportunities for support;

That there are International Cooperation Agencies and other organizations for channeling their own funds towards the achievement of tasks of various kinds that may contribute to the purposes of the PAIGH;

That it is in the interest of the PAIGH to offer ways to channel this support for areas within the scope of the PAIGH;

The facts presented at the 83rd Meeting of the Authorities concerning the agreement signed with the Uruguayan Agency for International Cooperation;

The recommendations of the 83rd and 84th Meetings of the Authorities, of the Scientific Policy Committee and of the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES TO:

1. Recommend that the General Secretariat identify the international cooperation agencies and organisations in the Member States, with the assistance of the National Sections.



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2. Encourage and aid arrangements involving these Agencies and Organisations for signing cooperation agreements with the PAIGH that make it possible to facilitate the identification of opportunities for cooperation in the thematic areas within the scope of the PAIGH.
3. Request that the General Secretariat report to the Meeting of the PAIGH Authorities the results of the agreements signed with the Cooperation Agencies and Organisations.



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RESOLUTION No. 7

**NAME FOR THE AWARD FOR THE
THESIS IN CARTOGRAPHY,
GEODESY OR GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION**

The 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The proposal presented by the National Section of the PAIGH in Ecuador concerning the name to assign to the Award for the Best Thesis at Masters or Doctoral levels in Cartography, Geodesy or Geographic Information;

The convenience of distinguishing between the two levels by different names;

The recommendations of the 83rd and 84th Meetings of the Authorities, of the Scientific Policy Committee and of the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES TO:

1. Give the name “Pedro Vicente Maldonado” to the Award to the Best Doctoral Thesis in Cartography, Geodesy or Geographic Information, in consideration of the merits presented.
2. Request that the National Sections send to the General Secretariat, before the 30th of March, 2016, proposals for a name for designating the Award for the Best Thesis at Masters level in Cartography, Geodesy and/or Geographic Information, considering its contribution or relevance at Pan American level. The General Secretariat will submit their recommendations to the 47th Meeting of the Directing Council (2016).



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RESOLUTION No 8

AWARD TO THE THESIS AT MASTERS AND DOCTORAL LEVELS IN HISTORY

The 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERANDO:

The importance of the PAIGH in progress made in the historiography of the Pan-American area;

The need to strengthen links between the History Commission, the National Sections and scientific networks;

The importance of consolidating the Pan-American Professional Network, made up of new generations of specialists, technicians, and scientists;

Resolution N°.3 approved at the 45th Meeting of the PAIGH Directing Council, Chile, 2014;

The recommendations of the 83rd and 84th Meetings of the Authorities and of the Administrative Policy Committee,

RESOLVES TO:

1. Establish, from the year 2016 onwards, the award “Award to the Thesis at Masters and Doctoral level in History”, as a means by which the PAIGH will strengthen, through the History Commission, the link between the National Sections and the scientific networks, pushing forwards the integration of new generations of specialists, scientists and researchers.
2. As a way to encourage new generations, establish that, from the year 2016, every two years the “Award to the Masters-level thesis in



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History” will be announced and made, and from the year 2017, every two years, the “Award to the Doctoral Thesis in History” will be made.

3. Verify the compliance with the formal elements of the documentation presented, this being done by the Technical Secretary of the History Commission before being forwarded to the members of the Jury.
4. Make, annually, the announcement of the call for submissions for each award, through the General Secretariat of the PAIGH in coordination with the Presidency and the History Commission of the Institute.
5. Approve the award regulations annexed here with features similar to those of the general rules of other awards and recognitions that the PAIGH grants. The rules may be modified by agreements among the PAIGH Authorities, before each award announcement for a given year, upon the request of the General Secretariat.



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Award to the best

Masters-level Thesis for History

2015

The award has the aim of encouraging and recognizing recent academic research performed by students who are citizens of the Member States of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH) or graduates of the official courses for Masters level degrees of universities located in any of these Member States. It will be awarded in the general thematic area of the History of America, in the 19th and 20th centuries.

1. Merits

The PAIGH will make the award and up to three honourable mentions, to students or researchers who are outstanding due to their research and contribution to historiography.

2. The candidate

- The candidate should be a citizen of any Member State of PAIGH and have graduated from an official course at Masters level.
- The thesis should have been submitted or orally presented after the 1st of January, 2010.
- The subject matter of the thesis should be historical.
- All the documentation required should be presented through any of the National Sections of the PAIGH within the deadline for submission stipulated in the current rules.

3. The Jury

The Jury will be made up of an odd number of at least three members from at least three Member States, who will be designated by the President of the History Commission, with the agreement of the President and the General Secretary of the PAIGH. It will be comprised of reputable specialized researchers in the area being covered. At the same time, it will also have at least two reserve jury members from



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three Member States different from the main jury members. If it is considered convenient, the Jury will be able to call upon the advice of other specialists of a high level of quality, within the region or elsewhere. The list of jury members and reserve members will be communicated once the call for submissions has been closed. The operation of the Jury will be supported by the Technical Secretary of the History Commission. The Jury will have a maximum of 90 calendar days to announce its verdict, which cannot be appealed against.

4. Assessment Procedure

The candidates will present a document of the arguments and reasoning, which will be assessed both for its content and its contribution to knowledge in the area it deals with. Concerning the content, it is necessary to pay particular attention to:

- Clear and concise description of the issue covered
- Review of the latest progress made or status of the matter
- Methodology
- Sources of data and information
- Results
- Conclusions and implications for the historiography of the subject matter

Among the contributions to knowledge, the following will be considered:

- Level of importance, relevance and degree of positive contribution made to the academic field
- Clarity in the methodology
- Logical organization of the arguments and of the conclusions reached
- Products obtained for the discipline or for society

5. The Award

A diploma recognizing the thesis given the award will be given to the author and a formal note will be sent to the tutor or tutors and to the Universidad of the author, mentioning the assignation of this award. The announcement and handover of the award will be made by the



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PAIGH President or by the General Secretary at the following meeting of the PAIGH Directing Council, or, if that is not possible, by the President of the pertinent National Section in a special ceremony that is organized for that end. The General Secretary will also recognize, by means of a formal note, the participation of the Members of the Jury.

In the case that, in the judgment of the Jury, none of the submissions received attain a sufficient level of quality, the award will be declared annulled.

6. Record of the Award

The written declaration of the Jury that assessed the award of a given year should contain solid arguments to support the assignment of the award. This written record will be provided to the President of the History Commission, who will forward it to the General Secretariat for the final resolution at the following meeting of the Authorities.

7. General Rules

If a situation arises for which there is no provision in the current rules, the PAIGH President and General Secretary have the power to make those decisions that become necessary and which may not be opposed by appeal. Whoever wishes to apply for the award should submit the request, together with the documentation required, between the 1st and 29th of January, 2015, to one of the PAIGH National Sections, who will forward it to the PAIGH Secretariat. Each applicant will be able to submit the same work to a maximum of two different calls for applications to the award. Under no circumstances will submissions made after the stipulated deadline be accepted, nor if they do not have the full set of documentation attached as required. The act of applying for this award implies accepting the current rules, the members of the Jury and the decision with no possibility of being appealed against.

8. Temporary Rules

The 2015 award of this distinction, being made for the first time, will cover the theses presented for graduation at Master's level between the 1st of January 2010 and the 31st of December 2014.



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9. Documentation Required:

The candidates should present to any National Section, exclusively via electronic media, a note stating:

- Full name of the candidate
- Country of residence
- Electronic mail
- Title of thesis
- Set of up to ten key words that define the thematic domain of the thesis
- Name of the tutor or tutors of the work presented, with their respective electronic mail addresses
- University where the thesis was presented, indicating the full postal address.
- Name and electronic mail of the academic person responsible for the course
- Justification of the candidacy: A summary, in any of the official languages of the PAIGH - Spanish, English, French or Portuguese – framed as a scientific article of no more than 15 pages (in accordance with the format specified here) in which the subject under analysis is described, the literature about the topic is summarized, and the conclusions are established. It is important to point out the importance of the work and the contributions made to the development of knowledge or of the methodology used. This reasoning will be the basis of the assessment of the candidate. The document will be published in the official journals of the History Commission, on its web page, or in any other media that it considers suitable. For this reason, an explicit cession of the rights to publish the article in the format specified here will be required.
- A copy in electronic media of the thesis, which will act as an auxiliary element during the assessment process and will be kept confidential if that is explicitly requested.
- Copy of an official document from the organization or university clearly indicating the date of the approval of the thesis or of the granting of graduation, which will be used for the purposes of these regulations.
- Curriculum vitae, up-to-date, of the candidate, of no more than 5 pages, in the format specified here. Prior to submission to the Jury, the Technical Secretariat of the History Commission will



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verify the compliance of the formal elements of the documentation presented with the aim of determining whether the candidate can apply or not. The deadline for receiving the thesis at each of the National Sections is the 29th of January 2015, before 24:00 in Mexico City. The contact data of each one of the National Sections is to be found at the following link: <https://www.ipgh.org/directorio/default.html>

The form for making a submission for the award will be announced at the right time, at <http://comisiones.ipgh.org/HISTORIA/Premio.html>

If further information is required, please request it at: comisiondehistoria.ipgh@gmail.com



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RESOLUTION No. 9

CREATION OF THE “PAIGH EX-AUTHORITIES CHAMBER”

The 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The proposal presented by the Honorary President of the PAIGH 2013 – 2017, Geog. Héctor Pena, to create the “PAIGH Ex-Authorities Chamber”, which involves no additional costs;

The recommendations of the 84th Meeting of the Authorities, of the Administrative Policy Committee and of the Committee for the Coordination of Resolutions,

RESOLVES TO:

1. Create the “PAIGH Ex-Authorities Virtual Chamber”, related to the former Authority leaders of the Institute, which should not mean any additional costs for the organization.
2. Request that the Honorary President of the PAIGH 2013 – 2017, Geog. Héctor Pena, coordinate the activities of this chamber and that he propose a plan for activities.
3. Request that the former authorities linked to the Ex - Authorities Chamber make contributions to update the History of the PAIGH, for this to be published upon the occasion of the 90th Anniversary of the Institute during the year 2018.
4. Entrust to the General Secretariat, in coordination with the History Commission, the task of drafting and publishing the History of the Institute upon the occasion of the 90th Anniversary of the PAIGH. It should also publish, on the Internet site of the Institute the figures associated with this room.



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RESOLUTION No. 10

RESTORATION OF CHAPTER XII OF THE ORGANIC STATUTES “CONCERNING THE STATUS OF CONTRIBUTING PARTNER”

The 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

That, through Resolution 22 of the 18th PAIGH General Assembly (Venezuela, 2005) the creation of the entity with the status of “PAIGH Contributing Partner” was decided on and implemented;

That, through Resolution 12 of the 19th PAIGH General Assembly (Ecuador, 2009), it was agreed to temporarily suspend the effect of Chapter XII of the Organic Statute “Concerning the Status of Contributing Partner”;

That, through Resolution 16 of the 45th Meeting of the Directing Council (Santiago, Chile, 2014) it was agreed, among other matters, to support the strategy of the General Secretariat consistent with searching out specific alternative funds for putting into effect the priorities established in the Pan-American Agenda;

The necessity for re-establishing the status of Contributing Partner of the PAIGH, in accordance with that proposed by the General Secretary of the PAIGH;

The recommendations of the 84th Meeting of the Authorities and of the Administrative Policy Committee,

RESOLVES TO:

1. Put Chapter XII of the Organic Statutes, “Concerning the Status of Contributing Partner” of the PAIGH back into force, under the terms stated in Resolution 22 of 2005.
2. Request that the National Sections cooperate with obtaining contributing partners who provide backing to the PAIGH.



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3. Authorize the General Secretariat to update the amounts and categories of the Contributing Partner donations for their implementation.



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RESOLUTION No. 11

LOCATION AND HOST FOR THE 21st GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The cordial invitation from the National Section in Guatemala as host and location for the 21st General Assembly of the PAIGH to be held in that country in the year 2017;

The recommendations of the Administrative Policy Committee and of the Committee for the Coordination of Resolutions,

RESOLVES TO:

1. Designate Guatemala as the host of the 21st General Assembly, to be held during the last quarter of 2017.
2. Request that this be ratified by the Government of Guatemala and thank the National Section for their offer and for their interest in supporting the activities of the PAIGH.



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RESOLUTION No. 12

ALTERNATIVE HOST FOR THE 21st GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The cordial invitation from the National Section in Panama to be the alternative host and location for the 21st General Assembly of the PAIGH, to be held in Guatemala in 2017;

The cordial invitation from the National Section in Bolivia to be an alternative host and location for the 21st General Assembly of the PAIGH to be held in Guatemala in 2017;

The recommendations of the Administrative Policy Committee and of the Committee for the Coordination of Resolutions,

RESOLVES TO:

1. Designate Panama as an alternative host of the 21st General Assembly, to be held during the last quarter of 2017, and to thank the National Section of that country for their offer and for their interest in supporting the activities of the PAIGH.
2. Designate Bolivia as an alternative host of the 21st General Assembly, to be held during the last quarter of 2017, and to thank the National Section of that country for their offer and for their interest in supporting the activities of the PAIGH.



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RESOLUTION No. 13

LOCATION AND HOST FOR THE 48th MEETING OF THE DIRECTING COUNCIL

The 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The cordial invitation from the National Section of Costa Rica to hold the 48th Meeting of the PAIGH Directing Council in 2018;

That recommended by the Administrative Policy Committee and the Committee for the Coordination of Resolutions,

RESOLVES TO:

1. Designate Costa Rica as the location and host for the 48th Meeting of the Directing Council, to be held during the last quarter of 2018.
2. Request that the government of Costa Rica ratify this and thank the National Section for their offer and interest in supporting the activities of the PAIGH.



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RESOLUTION No. 14

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

The 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The reports about activities presented by the President, the Vice-President, the General Secretary, and the Cartography, Geography, History, and Geophysics Commissions;

That recommended by the first plenary session and by the Committee for the Coordination of Resolutions,

RESOLVES TO:

Accept the above-mentioned reports.



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RESOLUTION No. 15

CHANGE OF TITLE FOR THE AMERICAN ANTHROPOLOGY JOURNAL

The 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

That reported by the President of the History Commission concerning the *American Anthropology Journal*, in the sense that it is no longer possible to keep on using that name for this publication, because, according to the decision of the National Institute for Authors Rights (INDAUTOR) of Mexico, that title has already been taken by another organization;

That recommended by the first plenary session and by the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES TO:

1. Modify Article 5 of the Regulations for Publications and Documents of the PAIGH so that it reads as follows:

Article 5. The periodic publications will be the following and will be printed in a volume adapted to the needs of the distribution belonging to each publication:

Cartographic Journal
Geographic Journal
History of America Journal
Geophysics Journal
American Anthropology
American Archeology Journal

2. Give to the General Secretariat the task of carrying out the transactions and tasks in relation to INDAUTOR in order to establish the titles of the periodic publications as belonging to the PAIGH.



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RESOLUTION No. 16

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2014

The 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The study of the Financial Report corresponding to the financial year 2014;

The results achieved during 2014 through the work of the General Secretariat that led to financial stability for the Institute and the guarantee of performing the institutional programs corresponding to the year 2015;

That recommended by the 83rd Meeting of the Authorities, the Financial Policy Committee and the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES TO:

Approve the Financial Report for 2014.



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RESOLUTION No. 17

AUDIT REPORT 2014

The 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The Audit Report presented by the firm “Despacho Munir Hayek, S.C. Contadores Públicos y Consultores de Negocios” (public accountants and business consultants), dated January 1st to December the 31st of 2014 and its conclusion, where the sense of it is that the financial state of the PAIGH is suitably reflected in the financial situation of this assessment exercise;

The information provided to the 46th Meeting of the Directing Council by the President of the PAIGH about the content and the quality of the work that has been audited;

That recommended by the 83rd Meeting of the Authorities, the Financial Policy Committee and the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES TO:

1. Approve the Auditing Report corresponding to the financial year of 2014.
2. Authorize the General Secretary of the PAIGH to hire auditing services for the Institute in the period of 2015.



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RESOLUTION No. 18
BUDGET PROGRAM FOR 2016

The 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The Project for the Budget Program presented by the General Secretariat for the year 2016;

That recommended by the 84th Meeting of the Authorities, the Financial Policy Committee and the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES TO:

Approve the Budget Program for the year 2016.



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RESOLUTION No. 19

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS FROM NATIONAL SECTIONS

The 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

That Article 38, part 5 of the Organic Statutes of the PAIGH establishes that, among the functions of the National Sections, there is the task of annually providing a report on its activities to the Directing Council or, as appropriate, to the General Assembly. Such reports should include the outstanding achievements of the Member State in matters of interest to the PAIGH, also in the affairs of the National Section;

That the National Sections of the following countries have presented their respective reports to the 46th Meeting of the Directing Council: Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, United States, Guatemala, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Dominican Republic and Uruguay;

That recommended by the Administrative Policy Committee and by the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES TO:

1. Thank the National Sections of the above-mentioned countries for reporting to the 46th Meeting of the Directing Council about their activities in support of the programs of the Institute and their relations with the respective governments of the Member States.
2. State again the importance of including in the report, the description of the corresponding activities and the complete list of the members of the National Section.
3. State again that it is a requirement, for those National Sections submitting requests for Technical Assistance projects, to have complied with the commitment to present the report on the activities of the National Section of the respective country.



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4. Set the 15th of February 2016 as the deadline for those Member States which have not yet done so, to present the report for the year 2015.



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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND THANKS TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF COLOMBIA

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CONSIDERING:

The support and special attention received from the Government of the Republic of Colombia for holding the 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the PAIGH and the related scientific activities;

That recommended by the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES TO:

Entrust to the General Secretary the task of presenting, in the name of the PAIGH Member States and their representatives, their thanks to the Government of the Republic of Colombia and to its Foreign Relations Ministry for its outstanding cooperation and support provided for holding the 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the PAIGH, together with transmitting regards for the Colombian people and their institutions for all the attention received.

Give a vote of thanks to the Foreign Relations Ministry of Colombia for its valuable contribution to the successful running of the 46th Meeting of the Directing Council.



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RESOLUTION No. 21

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND THANKS TO THE AGUSTÍN CODAZZI
GEOGRAPHIC INSTITUTE OF COLOMBIA, THE PAIGH NATIONAL
SECTION IN COLOMBIA, AND THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE**

The 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The timely and careful execution of the organization and the generously-given attention provided by the Agustín Codazzi Geographic Institute, headquarters of the PAIGH National Section and the organizing committee for holding the 46th Meeting of the Directing Council and other scientific events linked to the tasks of the Institute;

That recommended by the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES TO:

Express, most sincerely, the recognition and thanks of the PAIGH and of the Pan American community to the Agustín Codazzi Geographic Institute, headquarters of the PAIGH National Section, led by its General Director and President of the National Section, also to all the members of the local organizing committee for the major contribution given to the PAIGH for successfully holding the 46th Meeting of the Directing Council as scheduled in accordance with the statutes, and other academic and informative meetings for the pan American community.



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RESOLUTION No. 22

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND THANKS TO THE
PAIGH TECHNICAL TEAM**

The 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan-American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH),

CONSIDERING:

The fact that the deliberations of the 46th Meeting of the Directing Council have finished;
That recommended by the Coordinating Committee for Resolutions,

RESOLVES TO:

Express appreciation and thanks to the technical team of the General Secretariat of the PAIGH for their substantial labour in holding this 46th Meeting of the Directing Council of this Pan American organization.