CONSULTATION MEETINGS OF THE COMMISSIONS IN 2021

The 50th Meeting of the Directing Council of the Pan American Institute for Geography and History (PAIGH), in its virtual mode,

CONSIDERING:

The fact that, in accordance with Article 32 of the Organic Statute, one of the purposes of the Consultation Meeting is for the Authorities of the respective Commission to be elected; these authorities should subsequently be ratified by the General Assembly;

The fact that the Consultation Meeting is the opportunity to gather together specialists of various nationalities and with differing viewpoints, in order to put into effect the necessary changes intended to improve the features involving science and policies of the PAIGH;

The fact that the technology facilitates running sessions by the use of platforms for virtual communication, and that experience has been gained in this area;

The recommendations of the 93rd and 94th Meetings of the Authorities,

RESOLVES TO:

1. Recommend that the existing Commission Presidents run a virtual meeting in June 2021, separately from the Consultation Meeting to be held in-person just before the 22nd General Assembly in Peru, in the last quarter of the year 2021.

2. Request that the Commission Presidents, upon finishing the Consultation Meeting held in person, submit a document that contains:
   a. The Scientific Policy of each Commission, giving an overview of the four year period for 2022-2025
   b. The Work Plan of the Commission
   c. The structure of the Commission
   d. Concrete actions that contribute to causing a greater impact on the projects of the Technical Assistance Program (PAT)
e. Assessment of the Grants program, presenting lessons learned that make it possible to take decisions about the course of action to follow.

f. Innovative ideas for strengthening the National Sections and attracting new Member States, with particular attention paid to the states in the Caribbean

3. Request the Commission Presidents to establish lines of research that may be of interest to the OAS, in order to strengthen the existing links between both institutions.

4. Recommend that the Commission Presidents start to coordinate preparations for the Consultation Meeting, once this resolution is approved, in order to ensure the fulfilment of the objectives.