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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.