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RESOLUTION

AMERICAN STATES FOR SUBSTANTIVE EQUALITY AND THE FULL, EQUAL,
MEANINGFUL AND EFFECTIVE PARTICIPATION OF ALL WOMEN THROUGH THEIR
FOREIGN POLICIES^{1/2/}

(Adopted at the fourth plenary session, held on June 28, 2024)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING the conviction shared by all member states, as codified in the Charter of the Organization of American States (1948), that the Americas should be consolidated through democracy and intensive continental cooperation as a territory of individual freedom and social justice, favorable to the development of the personality and the realization of the just aspirations of all persons, based on respect for human rights;

RECALLING ALSO the fundamental principle of equality and non-discrimination, which is enshrined in the Charter of the Organization of American States (1948), the American Declaration of the Rights and Duties of Man (1948), and the American Convention on Human Rights (Pact of San José) (1969), and which permeates all international law;

REAFFIRMING the reiterated aspiration of the countries of the Americas to eliminate all types of gender-based discrimination and violence, as articulated in regional instruments, as appropriate, such as the Convention on the Nationality of Women (1933); the Inter-American Convention on the Granting of Political Rights to Women (1948); the Inter-American Convention on the Prevention, Punishment and Eradication of Violence against Women (Convention of Belem do Pará) (1994); the Inter-American Convention against All Forms of Discrimination and Intolerance (2013); the Montevideo Consensus on Population and Development (2013); and instruments of the universal system, including the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) (1979); the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action (1995); the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, particularly Goal 5 “Gender Equality”; resolution 1325 (2000) on Women,

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Peace and Security, adopted at the United Nations Security Council in 2000; Durban Declaration and Program of Action (2001);^{3/}

RECALLING the leadership in regional forums on gender parity, such as the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean and the Regional Conference on South-South Cooperation in Latin America and the Caribbean.^{4/}

REAFFIRMING the political will of the member states, as expressed in numerous resolutions and declarations of the General Assembly and the Permanent Council of the Organization of American States, to achieve substantive equality and the full, equal, meaningful and effective participation and leadership of all women and girls in all spheres of society and the work of the Organization;

RECOGNIZING that women and girls account for more than half the population of the Americas and continue to face multiple and compounding forms of discrimination, including different types of sexual and gender-based violence, and that structural systems of exclusion and inequality are a fundamental historical obstacle to achieving sustainable development, the consolidation of democracy, and peace and security in the region;

TAKING NOTE of the valuable contributions of women's rights movements, feminists, and movements that promote deconstruction of patriarchal powers, colonial, racist and sexist and public policies in the Americas in favor of equality, freedom, democracy, development, the empowerment of all women and girls, the protection and respect of all human rights, environmental preservation, social justice, and the elimination of all forms of discrimination, inequality, intolerance, and violence, including the creation of the Inter-American Commission of Women, the promotion and enactment of international human rights legislation and treaties, the understanding of gender-based violence, abuse or violation of human rights, and the identification of solutions to attain inclusive and prosperous societies, such as equal redistribution of care work, recognition of care work, and the valuation of unpaid work in the societies of the Americas, as well as financial inclusion, the promotion of women's economic autonomy and non-discrimination in employment, and the right to safe and healthy working environment, among others; and ^{5/6/7/8/}

TAKING NOTE of the Conclusions and Proposals of the first High-Level Meeting on Feminist Foreign Policy, held in Buenos Aires, Argentina (September 2023); the Political Declaration on Feminist Approaches to Foreign Policy adopted by the governments of Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Mexico, and the Dominican Republic within the framework of the seventy-eighth session of the United Nations General Assembly (September 2023); and the Declaration on Feminist Foreign Policy in Latin America and the Caribbean adopted in the framework of the VIII Summit of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC), signed by Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Mexico, and Dominican Republic, held in Kingstown, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines (March 2024); as well as the first two International Conferences on Feminist Foreign Policy and the third ministerial conference, which is to be held in Mexico in July 2024,^{9/}

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RESOLVES:

1. To take note of the adoption and implementation of public policies with a gender perspective, foreign policies with a gender perspective, and feminist foreign policies in various countries of the region as examples of good practice to accelerate advancement of the rights of all women and girls in all spheres of society; Given that equality and the empowerment of women and girls is an essential element to attain inclusive democracies and sustainable development.^{10/}
2. To invite member states to incorporate and mainstream, consistent with their domestic law, gender responsive, and women's and girls' Human-rights approaches in their foreign policies and in their efforts to eradicate all forms of discrimination and violence faced by all women and girls, as well as populations in situations of vulnerability.
3. To encourage member states to promote consultations with civil society, particularly women's rights organizations, in the drafting of agendas and action plans with respect to women's empowerment and gender equality bearing in mind with the motto "nothing about us without us."
4. To welcome the resolutions recently adopted by member states on promotion and strengthening of best practices in the fight against sexual harassment; redesignation of the "Gallery of Heroes" as the "Gallery of Heroines and Heroes of the Americas"; Inter-American Day of All Women, Adolescents, and Girls in Rural Settings, which encourage countries to move forward with the implementation of public policies with a gender responsive and intersectional approach.
5. To request the General Secretariat, in collaboration with the Inter-American Commission of Women, and the Executive Secretariat of said Commission to continue advancing in the inclusion of women's organizations that promote women's rights and feminist voices in all the Organization's pillars and agendas, in order to make the gender responsive approach visible and promote their mainstreaming within the Organization.

10. The Delegation of Paraguay will submit a footnote.