



**Meeting of the Executive Committee of the
Parliamentary Confederation of the Americas (COPA)**

**Los Angeles, California, United States
June 23, 2007**

**RESOLUTION AIMING TO CREATE A COMMITTEE WHOSE MISSION IS TO DRAFT AND
SUBMIT A PROPOSAL ON THE POSSIBLE INTEGRATION OF THE PARLIAMENTARY
CONFEDERATION OF THE AMERICAS (COPA) AND THE INTERPARLIAMENTARY
FORUM OF THE AMERICAS (FIPA)**

RECALLING the resolution adopted to that effect during the VIth General Assembly of COPA, which was held in Foz do Iguaçu, Brazil, from May 7 to 11, 2005;

ALSO RECALLING the resolutions adopted during the meeting of the Executive Committee of COPA held on March 2, 2006 in Mexico as well as during the VIIth General Assembly of COPA held from May 29 to June 3, 2006, in Quito, Ecuador, in which reference was made to a possible integration of FIPA and COPA;

AWARE that during the abovementioned meetings as well as during those of the FIPA, member parliamentarians of both international organizations met to exchange views on the possible integration of FIPA and COPA;

CONSIDERING in particular the resolution adopted by the Executive Committee of COPA at the meeting held in La Plata, Argentina, from November 23 to 25, 2006, during which it expressed the hope that the COPA-FIPA dialog will result in an agreement on the possible integration of the two organizations before the end of 2008;

the Executive Committee of COPA

1. **DECIDES BY RESOLUTION** to officially propose, during its plenary session, the creation of a committee whose mission is to promote the integration of both organizations, while taking into account the fundamental characteristics of each, so as to be able to present a proposal to that effect at the General Assembly of COPA that will be held in Argentina in January 2009;
2. **AGREES** that the said committee shall be composed of the president of COPA, of the titular first vice-president, of the Québec and Brazil secretariats, as well as of the Executive Secretariat of Mexico and that an invitation to take part therein shall be forwarded to the former presidents and vice-presidents of COPA as well as to two of its founders in order that the committee may benefit from their advice;

3. **ASKS** the National Assembly of Québec to confirm to us the possibility of holding the meeting of the joint COPA-FIPA committee in Québec City in October 2007, in accordance with the wish expressed by its representatives within COPA;
4. **CONSEQUENTLY**, authorizes the President of COPA to proceed with this resolution.

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