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Item 1 on the agenda

AGENDA FOR THE FIFTIETH REGULAR SESSION   
OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY[[1]](#footnote-1)/

(Adopted at the first plenary session held on October 20, 2020)

1. Adoption of the agenda for the General Assembly
2. Adoption of the recommendations of the Preparatory Committee of the General Assembly at its fiftieth regular session
3. Annual report of the General Secretariat on the activities and financial condition of the Organization
4. Report of the Secretary General on credentials
5. Annual Report of the Permanent Council
6. Annual Report of the Inter-American Council for Integral Development (CIDI)
7. Observations and recommendations of the Permanent Council on the annual reports of the organs, agencies, and entities of the Organization
   1. Inter-American Council for Integral Development (CIDI)
   2. Inter-American Juridical Committee (CJI)
   3. Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR)
   4. Inter-American Court of Human Rights
   5. Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA)
   6. Pan American Health Organization (PAHO)
   7. Administrative Tribunal (TRIBAD)
   8. Inter-American Commission of Women (CIM)
   9. Inter-American Telecommunication Commission (CITEL)
   10. Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD)
   11. Inter-American Children’s Institute (IIN)
   12. Pan American Institute of Geography and History (PAIGH)
   13. Justice Studies Center of the Americas (JSCA)
   14. Inter-American Committee against Terrorism (CICTE)
   15. Inter-American Defense Board (IADB)
8. Determination of the place and date of the fifty-first regular session of the General Assembly
9. Election of officers of organs, agencies, and entities of the Organization
   * 1. Three members of the Inter-American Juridical Committee
     2. Three members of the Justice Studies Center of the Americas
     3. One member of the OAS Administrative Tribunal
     4. One member of the OAS Board of External Auditors
10. The Question of the Malvinas Islands [AG/DEC. 70 (XLII-O/12)]
11. Draft resolution “Promotion and Protection of Human Rights”
12. Draft resolution “Strengthening Democracy”
13. Draft resolution “International Law”
14. Draft resolution “Update of the Procedures of the Permanent Council and Its Subsidiary Bodies”
15. Draft resolution “Advancing Hemispheric Security: A Multidimensional Approach”
16. Draft resolution “Program-Budget of the Organization for 2021”
17. Draft resolution “Support for and Follow-up to the Summits of the Americas Process”
18. Draft resolution “Increasing and Strengthening the Participation of Civil Society and Social Actors in the Activities of the Organization of American States and in the Summits of the Americas Process”
19. Draft resolution “Advancing Hemispheric Initiatives on Integral Development: Promoting Resilience”
20. Inter-American Business Development Charter
21. The Situation in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela[[2]](#footnote-2)/
22. The Situation in Nicaragua[[3]](#footnote-3)/
23. Challenges to Food and Nutrition Security in the Americas in the Face of the COVID-19 Pandemic in the Framework of the Plan of Action of Guatemala 2019
24. Advancing the Hemispheric Response to Climate Change in the Context of the COVID-19 Pandemic
25. Draft resolution “The Leading Role of the Organization of American States in the Development of Telecommunications/Information and Communication Technologies through the Inter-American Telecommunication Commission”
26. Strengthening the participation of permanent observers in the activities of the Organization of American States

FOOTNOTES

1. … agenda for the fiftieth regular session of the General Assembly.

We consider that the items are interfering in nature and disregard the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter, the nature and purposes of the OAS Charter and the principles of international law.

2. ... General Assembly of the topics “The Situation in Nicaragua” and “The Situation in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela,” as being interfering in nature and in violation of the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter, of the nature and purposes of the OAS Charter, and of principles of international law.

No State or group of States has the right to intervene, directly or indirectly, for any reason whatever, in the internal or external affairs of any other State. The foregoing principle prohibits not only armed force but also any other interference or attempted threat against the personality of the State or against its political, economic, and cultural elements.

To seek to use other countries to divert attention from pressure and from the health, economic, political, and social disaster that the countries that are co-sponsors of these proposals are suffering is shameful and shameless and constitutes aggression and an unfriendly act against the Republic of Nicaragua—which has not requested this topic—and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, a country that has long since ceased to belong to the OAS.

There are more urgent problems to be addressed, such as the coronavirus pandemic, which affects many countries around the world; to date, more than 19 million people have been infected and the death toll from COVID-19 has now passed 700,714 worldwide, according to figures from Johns Hopkins University, with the United States leading with 156,807 deaths.

The Latin American and Caribbean countries have been especially hard hit by this pandemic, as has the United States, in particular, with 4.8 million people infected and 35 states where the risk of infection is high, not to mention the humanitarian tragedy of thousands of Latin American and African American families who endure disproportionate indices of racial disparity, racism, lack of medical insurance for health care, unemployment, food shortages, and the threat of eviction from their homes.

The primary concern of the discussion at this General Assembly should be health security for the benefit of our countries, as well as sharing experiences and promoting solidarity among States in the face of the challenges posed by the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, instead of measures of aggression and destabilization against the sovereignty and right to self-determination of the Governments of Nicaragua and Venezuela.

The delegation of Nicaragua reiterates its rejection and disacknowledgment of the inclusion of those topics and requests that this statement be included as a footnote to the draft agenda.

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1. . The delegation of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines firmly rejects the inclusion of the items ‘the Situation in the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela’ and ‘the Situation in Nicaragua’ on the draft… [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. . The delegation of the Government of the Republic of Nicaragua firmly and categorically rejects the inclusion in section III of the preliminary draft agenda for the fiftieth regular session of the... [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. . Idem. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)