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WORK PLAN OF THE

COMMITTEE ON JURIDICAL AND POLITICAL AFFAIRS

FOR THE 2019-2020 TERM

(Adopted by the Committee at its meeting of October 17, 2019)

1. INSTALLATION AND OFFICERS

The Permanent Council installed the Committee on Juridical and Political Affairs (CAJP) for the 2019-2020 term at its regular meeting of July 17, 2019, in accordance with Article 28 of the Rules of Procedure of the Permanent Council. In keeping with the provisions of said article, at the regular meeting of the Council of September 27, 2019, Ambassador Carlos Alberto Játiva Naranjo, Permanent Representative of Ecuador, was elected Chair of the CAJP for the same term.

At the meeting of the CAJP of October 9, 2019, Ambassador Luis Fernando Cordero Montoya, Acting Representative of Honduras, was elected vice chair of the CAJP for the current term.

1. MANDATES

Pursuant to Articles 17 and 18 of the Rules of Procedure of the Permanent Council, the CAJP has the following functions:

1. Study topics related to juridical and political affairs entrusted to it by the Permanent Council.
2. Consider the reports of the Inter-American Juridical Committee, the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights referred to in Article 91(f) of the Charter. It shall also submit their reports, with observations, recommendations, and accompanying draft resolutions, to the Permanent Council.

Furthermore, in keeping with Article 30 of the Rules of Procedure of the Permanent Council, at its regular meeting of August 8, 2019, the Permanent Council adopted the “Distribution of Mandates Assigned by the General Assembly at its Forty-ninth Regular Session and Previous Sessions” (document [CP/doc.5545/19](http://scm.oas.org/doc_public/English/HIST_19/CP41368e03.doc) rev. 1) and instructed the CAJP to follow up on the mandates contained in the following resolutions during the 2019-2020 term:

1. AG/DEC. 99 (XLIX-O/19) Sixtieth Anniversary of the Creation and Installation of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, Fiftieth Anniversary of the Adoption of the American Convention on Human Rights (Pact of San José, Costa Rica), and Fortieth Anniversary of the Inter-American Court of Human Rights (except paragraph 2)
2. AG/RES. 2930 (XLIX-O/19) International Law
3. AG/RES. 2931 (XLIX-O/19) Strengthening Democracy (except section i, paragraph 4)
4. AG/RES. 2941 (XLIX-O/19) Promotion and Protection of Human Rights (except section vii, paragraph 2; section xiii, paragraph 4; and section xix, paragraphs 3)
5. Observations and recommendations on the annual reports of the following organs, agencies, and entities of the Organization [Article 91(f) of the OAS Charter]:

a) Inter-American Juridical Committee (CJI)

b) Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR)

c) Inter-American Court of Human Rights

d) Justice Studies Center of the Americas (JSCA)

1. FINANCIAL RESOURCES

The General Assembly, at its fifty-third special session, approved US$126,200 to finance CAJP meetings in 2019, pursuant to resolution AG/RES. 1 (LIII-E/18) rev. 1, “Program-Budget of the Organization for 2019.” In this respect, from January 1, 2019 to September 30, 2019, US$103,524.55 has been executed, leaving US$22,675.45 for the rest of the year.

Additionally, the Permanent Council, pursuant to Resolution CP/RES. 1138 (2247/19) “Adoption of the Subprogram Distribution of Resources for 2020, pursuant to resolution AG/RES. 2940 (XLIX-O/19) entitled ‘Program-Budget for the Organization for 2020,’” approved US$105,000 to finance CAJP meetings in 2020, US$21,200 less than in 2019.

In order to comply with the approved Committee budget, invited guests and members of the Secretariat addressing the Committee will be allowed seven (7) minutes for their oral presentations. The Chair strongly encourages all presenters to submit a full version of their presentation in writing to the Committee Secretary at least three (3) days before their scheduled appearance for distribution in its original language to member states for consideration prior to the meeting.

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

In order to facilitate the Committee’s work during the 2019-2020 term, the Chair proposes the following management tools as integral parts of the Work Plan:

* Annex I. Topics and mandates from the forty-ninth regular session of the General Assembly and other previous sessions to be considered by the CAJP
* Annex II. Schedule of CAJP meetings for 2019-2020

This Work Plan will serve as a general framework for the work of the CAJP during the 2019-2020 term. It is a flexible document to which any changes made by the Committee or that are necessary for its updating will be added as assigned mandates are fulfilled or as specific proposals arise to attend to important matters that could not have been anticipated and/or that must be addressed because of their eminently legal and/or political nature.

The Chair would appreciate suggestions from the member states and thanks the delegations in advance for their support in discharging the responsibilities assigned to the Committee by the General Assembly and the Permanent Council.

Ambassador Carlos Alberto Játiva Naranjo

Permanent Representative of Ecuador

Chair of the Committee on Juridical and Political Affairs

**APPENDIX I**

**MANDATES FROM THE FORTY-NINTH REGULAR SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
 AND OTHER PREVIOUS SESSIONS TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE COMMITTEE ON JURIDICAL   
AND POLITICAL AFFAIRS DURING THE 2019-2020 TERM**

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| Resolution AG/RES. 2930 (XLIX-O/19) “International Law” | |
| **Sections from Chapter I** | **Mandates** |
| 1. Observations and recommendations on the Annual Report of the CJI | **Operative paragraph 2:** “To request the CJI to report on an ongoing basis on progress made with the items on its agenda, such as matters related to binding and non-binding agreements, cybersecurity, taking into account the efforts of the Working Group on Cooperation and Confidence-Building Measures in Cyberspace of the Inter-American Committee against Terrorism (CICTE), as well as work in this area by other relevant units and entities of the Organization of American States, and the validity of foreign judicial decisions in light of the Inter-American Convention on Extraterritorial Validity of Foreign Judgments and Arbitral Awards and the Model Inter-American Law on Access to Public Information, and to continue updating the Principles on Protection of Personal Data, bearing in mind how such data have evolved.” |
| 1. Inter-American Program for the Development of International Law |  |
| 1. Preparation of a Model Law on the Use of Fireworks |  |
| 1. Promotion of the International Criminal Court |  |

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| **Chapter II** | **Mandate** |
| Follow-up and Reporting | **Sole operative paragraph**: “To request the Permanent Council to report to the General Assembly at its fiftieth regular session on the implementation of this resolution. Execution of the activities envisaged in this resolution will be subject to the availability of financial resources in the program-budget of the Organization and other resources.” |

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| AG/RES. 2931 (XLIX-O/19) “Strengthening Democracy”: | |
| **Sections from Chapter I** | **Mandates** |
| 1. Follow-up to the Inter-American Democratic Charter |  |
| 1. Follow-up on the Inter-American Convention against Corruption and on the Inter-American Program for Cooperation in the Fight against Corruption |  |
| 1. Strengthening Cadastre and Property Registry in the Americas |  |
| 1. Rights of Children and Adolescents |  |
| 1. Inclusive Dialogue for Preventing, Effectively Managing, and Comprehensively Resolving Social Conflicts in Investments for Integral Development. | **Operative paragraph 3:** “To request the Permanent Council to promote, subject to the availability of resources, the holding of a special meeting of the CAJP to share experiences and information in this area.” |
| 1. Mission to Support the Fight against Corruption and Impunity in Honduras |  |
| 1. Open and transparent digital government |  |
| 1. Strengthening the Activities of the Inter-American Judicial Facilitators Program |  |
| 1. Meeting of Ministers of Justice or Other Ministers or Attorneys General of the Americas |  |
| 1. Public Management Strengthening and Innovation in the Americas | **Operative paragraph 5:** “To recognize the progress made by the Inter-American Network on Government Procurement (INGP) in crafting a proposal for a hemispheric initiative for open contracting, in coordination with the competent national authorities and civil society, and to invite the INGP to present the outcomes thereof to the CAJP.” |
| 1. Technical Cooperation and Electoral Observation Missions |  |
| 1. Access to Public Information and Protection of Personal Data | **Operative paragraph 2:** “To request member states, in the framework of the CAJP, to report annually and voluntarily on their progress and exchange best practices in implementing the Inter-American Program on Access to Public Information, and to request the CAJP to consider the possibility that those reports gradually be presented by specific areas contained in the Program.”  **Operative paragraph 3:** “To request the Department of International Law to submit a proposal to the CAJP containing progress indicators to facilitate reporting and, taking advantage of the presence of the Focal Points at the meeting of the CAJP on this subject, to simultaneously organize a meeting with them to move forward together in the implementation of the Program and explore opportunities for mutual cooperation.” |
| 1. The region’s contribution to the preparatory process of the United Nations General Assembly Special Session against Corruption (UNGASS 2021) |  |

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| **Chapter II** | **Mandates** |
| Follow-up and Reporting | **Operative paragraph 1**: “To instruct the Permanent Council to follow up on the topics addressed in this resolution through their inclusion in the work plan of the CAJP, and the General Secretariat to report to the fiftieth regular session of the General Assembly.”  **Operative paragraph 3**: “To request the Permanent Council to report to the General Assembly at its fiftieth regular session on the implementation of this resolution. Execution of the activities envisaged in this resolution will be subject to the availability of financial resources in the program-budget of the Organization and other resources.” |

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| Resolution AG/RES. 2941 (XLIX-O/19) “Promotion and Protection of Human Rights”: | |
| **Sections** | **Mandates** |
| 1. Eradication of statelessness in the Americas |  |
| 1. Human rights defenders |  |
| 1. Protection of Asylum Seekers and Refugees in the Americas | **Operative paragraph 5**: “To invite the member states, taking into consideration the experience of the Comprehensive Regional Protection and Solutions Framework (MIRPS) and similar initiatives, to develop or update their own frameworks for prevention, protection, and solutions for asylum seekers, refugees, internally displaced persons, and returnees with protection needs, and to work together to develop mechanisms for regional cooperation and shared responsibility, with the participation of all relevant actors; and to instruct the CAJP to follow up on this resolution and to report thereon on an annual basis, encouraging the exchange of experiences and best practices that have been implemented by member states, with support and technical assistance from the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States (OAS) and the UNHCR.” |
| 1. Autonomous official public defenders as a safeguard for the personal safety of all individuals, without any kind of discrimination |  |
| 1. Rights of Children and Adolescents |  |
| 1. Strengthening the Follow-up Mechanism for Implementation of the Protocol of San Salvador |  |
| 1. Human rights and the environment |  |
| 1. Administration of Justice and Human Rights | **Operative paragraph 1**: “Within the CAJP, to continue to share experiences, best practices, and challenges in the area of the administration of justice with a human rights perspective.” |
| 1. Rights of persons deprived of liberty |  |
| 1. Observations and Recommendations on the 2018 Annual Report of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights |  |
| 1. The power of inclusion and the benefits of diversity | **Operative paragraph 4**: “To request the CAJP to organize, within existing resources and in coordination with the Secretariat for Access to Rights and Equity, a special meeting where member states may share lessons learned and exchange good practices to advance the goals of this resolution, with a special focus on aspects identified in paragraph 3(b) above that strengthen our democracies, and that the CAJP present the results of that meeting to the Permanent Council prior to the fiftieth regular session of the General Assembly.” [[1]](#footnote-1)/ |

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| 1. Recognition and Promotion of the Rights of People of African Descent in the Americas | **Operative paragraph 1**: “To urge member states, the General Secretariat, and OAS institutions to adopt the necessary measures for implementing the Plan of Action for the Decade for People of African Descent in the Americas (2016-2025), and to mark Inter-American Week for People of African Descent in the Americas.” |
| 1. Gender equity and balanced geographic and legal-system representation on the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights | **Operative paragraph 3**: “To instruct the CAJP to deepen its work on this topic, including in its 2019-2020 work program, by holding a follow-up meeting at which member states, experts, and civil society share best practices in the nomination and selection of candidates to the organs of the inter-American human rights system and including information on existing national procedures, policies, and practices, with a view to promoting at the IACHR and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights gender parity, non-discrimination, and balance among the different regions and legal systems of the Hemisphere.” |
| 1. Strengthening the Follow-up Mechanism on the Implementation of the Inter-American Convention on the Prevention, Punishment, and Eradication of Violence against Women (MESECVI) |  |
| 1. Follow-up on recommendations of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights |  |
| 1. Strengthening of the Inter-American Commission of Women for the promotion of gender equity and equality, the human rights of women and girls, and the elimination of discrimination and all forms of violence against them |  |
| 1. Human rights and prevention of discrimination and violence against LGBTI persons |  |

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| 1. Right to freedom of religion or belief | **Operative paragraph 3**: “To request that the General Secretariat organize, within existing resources, a regional dialogue on the right to freedom of thought, conscience, and religion or belief, to which member states, the IACHR, civil society, and other social actors would be invited to contribute input; and to request the Committee on Juridical and Political Affairs to organize, within existing resources, a special meeting where member states may share lessons learned and exchange good practices to advance the goals of this resolution, and to present the results of that meeting to the Permanent Council prior to the fiftieth regular session of the General Assembly.” |
| 1. Follow-up on the American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and on the Plan of Action of the American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (2017-2021) | **Operative paragraph 1**: “To urge the member states, the General Secretariat, and the institutions of the OAS to take all the necessary steps to implement the American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the Plan of Action on the American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (2017-2021).” |
| 1. Program of Action for the Decade of the Americas for the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities 2016-2026 and Support to the Committee for the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Persons with Disabilities |  |
| 1. Follow-up on the Inter-American Program for Universal Civil Registry and the “Right to Identity” |  |
| II. Follow-up and Reporting | **Operative paragraph 2**: “To request the Permanent Council to instruct the Committee on Juridical and Political Affairs (CAJP) to include in its agenda the following matters covered by this resolution, prior to the fiftieth regular session of the General Assembly, with a view to promoting exchanges of experiences and best practices: “Autonomous official public defenders as a safeguard for the personal safety of all individuals, without any kind of discrimination.” The holding, in the first quarter of 2020, of an eighth special meeting of the Committee on Juridical and Political Affairs of the OAS on the mechanisms for detention center monitoring that are in place in each official public defender institution in the region, to be attended by the member states and their respective official public defender institutions that provide legal assistance, members of the AIDEF, of the IACHR, through its Rapporteurship on the Rights of Persons Deprived of Liberty, and experts from the academic community, civil society, and international organizations. Attendance by members of the AIDEF will be guaranteed by that organization.”  **Operative paragraph 3**: “To request the Permanent Council to report to the General Assembly at its fiftieth regular session on the implementation of this resolution. Execution of the activities envisaged in this resolution will be subject to the availability of financial resources in the program-budget of the Organization and other resources.” |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | AG/RES. 2891(XLVI-O/16) “Plan of Action for the Decade for People of African Descent in the Americas (2016–2025)” | | | **Plan of Action for the Decade for People of African Descent in the Americas (2016-2025)** | **Mandate** | | * Implementation and Follow-Up on the Plan | **Paragraph 3**: “The General Secretariat will report on progress to the Organization every two years at a special meeting of the Committee on Juridical and Political Affairs of the OAS Permanent Council.” |   AG/RES. 2913 (XLVII-O/17) “Plan of Action on the American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (2017-2021)”: | |
| **Plan of Action on the American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (2017-2021)** | **Mandate** |
| * Exchanges of best practices and experiences. | **Paragraph 5(2) (a)**: “Hold a special annual meeting of the Committee on Juridical and Political Affairs attended by officials from the national and subnational institutions working on indigenous issues and open to participation by representatives of indigenous peoples, in order to share information on progress, experience, lessons learned, and challenges in the implementation of the ADRIP.” |

**APPENDIX II**

**SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS  
OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURIDICAL AND POLITICAL AFFAIRS**

**(Second half 2019 and first half 2020)**

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| **OCTOBER 2019** | |
| Wednesday  October 9, 2019 2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Simón Bolívar Room | 1. Election of Vice Chairs 2. Presentation of the draft Work Plan of the CAJP for 2019-2020 3. Follow-up on the mandates from resolution AG/RES. 2931 (XLIX-O/19) “Strengthening Democracy”   Section viii.: Strengthening the Activities of the Inter-American Judicial Facilitators Program |
| Thursday  October 17, 2019 2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Simón Bolívar Room | 1. Consideration and adoption of the draft CAJP Work Plan for 2019-2020. 2. Election of the Second Vice Chair. 3. Follow-up on the mandates from resolution AG/RES. 2928 (XLVIII-O/18), ,“Promotion and Protection of Human Rights”:  * Section iv. Right to freedom of thought and expression, including on the Internet in electoral contexts:   + Draft “Guidelines to Deal with Disinformation during Electoral Processes and Prevent Undue Interference”  1. Follow-up on the mandates from resolution AG/RES. 2931 (XLIX-O/19) “Strengthening Democracy”  * Section v. Inclusive Dialogue for Preventing, Effectively Managing, and Comprehensively Resolving Social Conflicts in Investments for Integral Development:   + Preparations for the special meeting: “Inclusive dialogue for effectively dealing with social conflicts in investments for integral development * Section xii.: Access to Public Information and Protection of Person Data:   + Preparations for the meeting in which the voluntary progress reports and best practices in implementing the Inter-American Program on Access to Public Information will be presented  1. Follow-up on the mandates from resolution AG/RES. 2941 (XLIX-O/19) “Promotion and Protection of Human Rights”  * Section iv.: Autonomous official public defenders as a safeguard for the personal safety of all individuals, without any kind of discrimination:   Preparations for the eighth special meeting on the mechanisms for detention center monitoring in place in each official public defender institution in the region. |
| **NOVEMBER 2019** | |
| Thursday  November 14, 2019 2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Simón Bolívar Room | 1. Follow-up on the mandates from resolution AG/RES. 2941 (XLIX-O/19) “Promotion and Protection of Human Rights”  * Section xvii: Human Rights and Prevention of Discrimination and Violence against LGBTI Persons   + Sharing of strategies and best practices to combat violence and discrimination against LGBTI persons.   2. Follow-up on the mandates from resolution AG/RES. 2930 (XLIX-O/19) “International Law”   * Section i. Observations and recommendations on the Annual Report of the Inter-American Juridical Committee.   + Presentation of “Guide to the Law Applicable to International Commercial Contracts in the Americas,” [[CJI/RES. 249](http://www.oas.org/es/sla/cji/docs/informes_culminados_recientemente_Contratos_Internacionales_resolucion.pdf) (XCIV-O/19)].   3. Follow-up on the mandates from resolution AG/RES. 2941 (XLIX-O/19) “Promotion and Protection of Human Rights”   * Section iii: Protection of Asylum Seekers and Refugees in the Americas:   + Presentation of the proposal to establish a specific fund for voluntary contributions to support the activities of the Comprehensive Regional Protection and Solutions Framework (MIRPS).  1. Follow-up on the mandates from resolution AG/RES. 2941 (XLIX-O/19) “Promotion and Protection of Human Rights”  * Section xxi.: Follow-up to the Inter-American Program for Universal Civil Registry and the “Right to Identity.”   + Report of the Universal Civil Registry in the Americas Program (PUICA). |
| Tuesday  November 26, 2019 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Simón Bolívar Room | 1. Follow-up on the mandates from resolution AG/RES. 2941 (XLIX-O/19) “Promotion and Protection of Human Rights”  * Section viii: Administration of justice and human rights:   + Exchange of experiences, best practices, and challenges in the area of the administration of justice with a human rights perspective.  1. OAS Consumer Safety and Health Network (CSHN). |

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| **DECEMBER 2019** | |
| Thursday  December 5, 2019 2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Simón Bolívar Room | 1. Commemoration of International Day of Persons with Disabilities (December 3). 2. Follow-up on the mandates from resolution AG/RES. 2931 (XLIX-O/19) “Strengthening Democracy”  * Section iii:: Strengthening Cadastre and Property Registry in the Americas * Section vii.: e-Government and open and transparent government * Section x. Public Management Strengthening and Innovation in the Americas * Section xiii.: The region’s contribution to the preparations for the Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly against Corruption   + Progress in fulfilling the commitments assumed in the areas of preventing and fighting corruption, under the Inter-American Convention against Corruption and the Lima Commitment: “Democratic Governance against Corruption,” as the region’s contributions to the UNGASS 2021 preparatory process. |
| Tuesday  December 17, 2019 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  Simón Bolívar Room | 1. Follow-up on the mandates from resolution AG/RES. 2941 (XLIX-O/19), ,“Promotion and Protection of Human Rights”:  * Section xviii. Right to freedom of religion or belief.   + Preparations for the special meeting to share lessons learned and exchange good practices to advance a regional dialogue on the right to freedom of thought, conscience, and religion or belief. |
| **JANUARY 2020** | |
| Thursday  January 30, 2020  2:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.  Simón Bolívar Room | 1. Follow-up on the mandates from resolution AG/RES. 2941 (XLIX-O/19) “Promotion and Protection of Human Rights”  * Section iii:: Protection of Asylum Seekers and Refugees in the Americas   + Exchange of experiences and best practices implemented by member states.  1. Follow-up on the mandates from resolution AG/RES. 2930 (XLIX-O/19), “International Law”  * Section ii.: Inter-American Program for the Development of International Law:   + Report by the Department of International Law on the promotion and dissemination of private international law among member states, in collaboration with agencies and organizations engaged in this area  1. Dialogue on some reforms to OAS procedures   *Presentation by the Chair* |
| **FEBRUARY 2020** | |
| Thursday  February 13, 2020  2:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.  Simón Bolívar Room | 1. Follow-up on the mandates from resolution AG/RES. 2941 (XLIX-O/19) “Promotion and Protection of Human Rights”:  * Section v. Rights of Children and Adolescents * Section ix. The Power of Inclusion and the Benefits of Diversity   + Preparations for the special meeting “The Power of Inclusion and the Benefits of Diversity”.  1. Protection of the Human Rights of Older Persons 2. Consideration of the draft methodology for the presentation and negotiation by the Committee on Juridical and Political Affairs of draft resolutions to be referred to the fiftieth regular session of the General Assembly |
| Thursday  February 20, 2020  2:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.  Simón Bolívar Room | Special meeting to share lessons learned and exchange good practices to advance a regional dialogue on the right to freedom of thought, conscience, and religion or belief - section xviii. of resolution AG/RES. 2941 (XLIX-O/19). |
| Thursday  February 27, 2020  2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  Simón Bolívar Room | Special meeting “Inclusive dialogue for effectively dealing with social conflicts in investments for integral development - section v. of resolution AG/RES. 2931 (XLIX-O/19). |
| Thursday  February 27, 2020  4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.  Simón Bolívar Room | 1. Challenges for the Secretariat in strengthening democracy for 2020   *Presentation by the Secretary for Strengthening Democracy.*   1. Follow-up on the mandates from resolution AG/RES. 2931 (XLIX-O/19) “Strengthening Democracy”   Section i.: Follow-up to the Inter-American Democratic Charter. |
| **APRIL 2020**  CP41929E04 | |
| Thursday  April 23, 2020  2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.  Virtual | 1. Reorganization of the Committee’s work under the confinement and social distancing measures arising from the COVID-19 pandemic. 2. Follow-up on the mandate from resolution AG/RES. 2931 (XLIX-O/19), “Strengthening Democracy”:  * Section xii: Access to Public Information and Protection of Personal Data.   + Presentation of national progress reports and exchange of best practices in implementing the Inter-American Program on Access to Public Information. |
| Thursday April 30, 2020  2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.  Virtual | 1. Presentation of the annual report of the IACHR to the fiftieth regular session of the General Assembly. 2. Presentation of the annual report of the I/A Court of Human Rights to the fiftieth regular session of the General Assembly. |
| **MAY 2020** | |
| Thursday May 14, 2020  2:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.  Virtual | 1. Presentation of the annual report of the CJI to the fiftieth regular session of the General Assembly. 2. Presentation of the annual report of the JSCA to the fiftieth regular session of the General Assembly. |
| Thursday  May 28, 2020  2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Virtual | 1. Follow-up on the mandates from resolution AG/RES. 2941 (XLIX-O/19), “Promotion and Protection of Human Rights”:  * Section vi: Strengthening the Follow-up Mechanism for Implementation of the Protocol of San Salvador:   + Presentation of the report of the Working Group to Examine the National Reports Envisioned in the Protocol of San Salvador (WGPSS).   *Presentation by the Chair of WGPSS.*   1. Follow-up on the mandates from resolution AG/RES. 2941 (XLIX-O/19), “Promotion and Protection of Human Rights”:  * Section xx: Program of Action for the Decade of the Americas for the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities (2016­–2026) and Support to the Committee for the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Persons with Disabilities.   + *Follow-up report by the Department of Social Inclusion - Technical Secretariat to CEDDIS*  1. Follow-up on the mandates from resolution AG/RES. 2941 (XLIX-O/19), “Promotion and Protection of Human Rights”:  * Section xii: Recognition and Promotion of the Rights of People of African Descent in the Americas. * Section xix: Follow-up on implementation of the American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and on the Plan of Action of the American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (2017–2021).   + *Presentations by the Office of the Assistant Secretary General and by the Department of Social Inclusion* |
| **JUNE 2020** | |
| Thursday  June 11, 2020  2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Virtual | 1. Follow-up on the mandates from resolution AG/RES. 2941 (XLIX-O/19), “Promotion and Protection of Human Rights”:  * Section xiii: Gender equity and balanced geographic and legal-system representation on the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights:   + Follow-up meeting to share best practices in the nomination and selection of candidates to the IACHR and the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, as appropriate, with a view to promoting in both institutions gender parity and balance among the different regions and legal systems of the Hemisphere. |
| 1. Good practices by states in relation to LGBTI persons in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic ([CP/CAJP/INF. 758/20](http://scm.oas.org/doc_public/SPANISH/HIST_20/CP42368S03.docx)). 2. 2. Religious Community Response to the COVID-19 Global Pandemic: Best Practices and Perspectives ([CP/CAJP/INF. 767/20](http://scm.oas.org/doc_public/ENGLISH/HIST_20/CP42412E03.docx)). |
| Thursday June 25, 2020  2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Virtual | 1. EIGHTH SPECIAL MEETING on the mechanisms for detention center monitoring that are in place in each official public defender institution in the region: Section vi of resolution AG/RES. 2941 (XLIX-O/19). |
| 1. Follow-up on the mandates from resolution AG/RES. 2941 (XLIX-O/19), “Promotion and Protection of Human Rights”:  * Section ix: Rights of Persons Deprived of Liberty:   + Dialogue on best practices in prison and penitentiary policies and at psychiatric institutions, with particular emphasis on strategies and actions that ensure respect, guarantees, and protection for the rights of persons deprived of liberty.  1. Continuation of the dialogue on some reforms to OAS procedures |
| **AUGUST 2020** | |
| Friday  August 14, 2020 | Deadline for submitting texts to be included in the draft omnibus resolutions |
| **SEPTEMBER 2020** | |
| Thursday  September 3, 2020  2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Virtual | Negotiation of draft resolutions for the fiftieth regular session of the General Assembly |
| Thursday  September 10, 2020  2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Virtual | Negotiation of draft resolutions for the fiftieth regular session of the General Assembly. |
| Thursday  September 24, 2020  2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Virtual | Negotiation of draft resolutions for the fiftieth regular session of the General Assembly. |
| **OCTOBER 2020** | |
| Thursday  October 1, 2020  2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  Virtual | Negotiation of draft resolutions for the fiftieth regular session of the General Assembly. |

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1. . See note from the Permanent Mission of Canada to the Chair of the CAJP requesting that the special meeting referred to in section xi of resolution AG/RES. 2941 (XLIX-O/19) be held in 2020–2021 ([CP/CAJP/INF.763/20](http://scm.oas.org/doc_public/english/hist_20/CP42392E03.docx)). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)