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DRAFT RESOLUTION

CHANGE OF DATES OF THE SIXTH MEETING OF MINISTERS AND HIGH AUTHORITIES

OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

(Presented by the Permanent Mission of Jamaica)

THE INTER-AMERICAN COUNCIL FOR INTEGRAL DEVELOPMENT (CIDI),

HAVING SEEN resolution CIDI/RES. 348 (CXIII-O/21) "Convocation of the Sixth Meeting of Ministers and High Authorities of Science and Technology” for the aforesaid Meeting to be held virtually on December 7, 2021;

CONSIDERING:

That the Meetings of Ministers and High Authorities of Science and Technology are specialized ministerial meetings of the Inter-American Council for Integral Development of the Organization of American States;

That member states of the Organization of American States have been significantly affected by the social, economic, and environmental impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic;

BEARING IN MIND that the pandemic reinforces the need for OAS member states to urgently design and implement policies, strategies, and programs aimed at reducing their vulnerability and building their resilience to external shocks, including to the adverse effects of climate change, consistent with their national and international obligations;

AWARE of the potential of science, technology and innovation to address development imperatives in the Americas, including those arising as a consequence of COVID-19; and

TAKING INTO ACCOUNT Permanent Council resolution CP/RES. 982 (1797/11), “Update of Costs of Conferences and Meetings Funded by the OAS,”

RESOLVES:

1. To change the date of the Sixth Meeting of Ministers and High Authorities of Science and Technology to be held, virtually, on December 7 and 8, 2021.
2. To instruct that the maximum available resources envisaged in Chapter 7, Subprogram 74F thereof be allocated in accordance with the guidelines set down in resolution CP/RES. 982 (1797/11) for the preparation and holding of the Sixth Meeting of Ministers and High Authorities of Science and Technology.
3. To instruct the General Secretariat to assist, through the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development, with the preparation and organization of the Sixth Meeting of Ministers and High Authorities of Science and Technology and to report to the Inter-American Council for Integral Development on its preparatory process and outcomes.

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