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Ambassador Eliza Ruiz Díaz  
Permanent Representative of Paraguay  
to the Organization of American States  
Chair of the Committee on Administrative and  
Budgetary Affairs of the Permanent Council  
Washington, D.C.

Re: Program-Budget of the OAS Administrative Tribunal for 2018

Excellency:

I have the honor to address you on behalf of the members of the Administrative Tribunal of the Organization of American States, following up on my presentation of October 10, 2017, before the Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Affairs of the Permanent Council.

As can be seen from the estimated operating expenses of the OAS Administrative Tribunal for 2018, (Obj 2-9) attached to this note, our expenditure requirements are approximately one hundred and thirty thousand dollars per year (\$130,000,00), which may vary slightly depending on the number of cases that are received, the complexity of each and the third parties that join the process.

Given that the Administrative Tribunal receives annually from the Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA) the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000,00) in specific funds under a 1976 Agreement for the Extension of our Competence to said entity, **the annual allocation from the regular fund that the Administrative Tribunal requests to the Members States to be approved to ensure our proper functioning on 2018 is one hundred thousand dollars (\$ 100,000,00).**

In accordance with the proposed Program-Budget 2018 circulated by the General Secretariat on October 5, the allocation scheduled for the Administrative Tribunal for the coming year (Object 2-9) is **sixty-six thousand seven hundred dollars (\$ 66,700,00)**. The projected amount is insufficient to cover all the spending needs in 2018; if this proposal is approved we will be forced to continue requesting reinforcements from the General Secretariat. As explained in our earlier presentation, the Court considers this unacceptable, for the reasons that I stated at the

aforementioned meeting, especially the inconsistency with the independence of the Tribunal and because of the apparent conflict of interest that arises when the defendant in our cases is the same person who authorize our request of funds.

For this reason, the OAS Administrative Tribunal requests that you circulate to Delegations the Tribunal's petition that the budget to be approved for 2018 should provide for an appropriate annual allocation that covers real spending needs in the amount of **one hundred thousand dollars (\$ 100,000.00)** so as to extinguish the practice of repeated requests for reinforcements to the General Secretariat that undermine its independence and undermine the due process guarantees deserved by the Organization's staff.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Bastarache', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Judge Michel Bastarache  
Vice-President  
Administrative Tribunal of the OAS

**PRESUPUESTO 2018 SECRETARÍA DEL TRIBUNAL ADMINISTRATIVO DE LA OEA  
(OBJ 2-9)  
(INCLUYENDO EL FINANCIAMIENTO DE 1 CPR)**

**1. SUSTANTACIÓN RECURSO --FASE DOCUMENTAL--**

1.1 Traducciones (Basado en costos de Recurso 304)	\$34,393.56
1.2 Courier	\$280.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$34,673.56</b>

**2. PERÍODO DE SESIONES DE 5 DÍAS EN WASHINGTON FASE DE AUDIENCIAS --FASE DE AUDIENCIAS/DEBATE ORAL--**

2.1. Participación de los jueces (costos 2016)	2.1.1 Honorarios Juez-ponencia (4 días) (150 /día)	\$600.00
	2.1.2 Honorarios Pte- conducción caso (2 das) (150 /día)	\$300.00
	2.1.2 Honorarios preparación caso (2 días) (150 /día)	\$300.00
	2.1.2 Honorarios sesiones (5) (150 /día)	\$3,750.00
	2.2.4 Per diem (Hotel y Alimentación) (\$363/día)	\$10,890.00
	2.2.5 Gastos terminales (Argentina, Bolivia, Canadá, Ecuador y Perú)	\$630.00
	2.2.6 Boletos	\$4,122.69
2.2 Gastos de conferencia (costos 2016)	2.2.1 Alquiler de equipo	\$500.00
	2.2.2 Asistente sala	\$511.88
	2.2.3 Traductores (Sentencia 2 días )	\$900.00
	2.2.4 Dos Intérpretes (5 días) (\$825/ día)	\$8,250.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$30,754.57</b>	

**3. PARTICIPACIÓN ASAMBLEA GENERAL**

Boleto, perdiem, Gastos Terminales (costo 2016)	\$3,045.10
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,045.10</b>

**4. INFORME ANNUAL**

Edición/Traducción Informe Anual (costo 2016)	\$4,494.38
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,494.38</b>

**5. COSTOS COMUNES**

5.1 Postage	\$95.00
5.2 Internet/cuentas de correo institucionales	\$1,400.00
5.3 Teléfono (costo 2016)	\$256.03
5.4 Impresión (costo 2015)	\$1,500.00
5.5 Otros (costo 2016)	\$173.33
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,424.36</b>

**6. VARIOS**

Incidentales (aumento de po por cambios de tarifas; traducción Sentencias 163 y 164; tarjetas de presentación Jueces) (Referencia 2016)	\$3,249.87
Publicaciones (aprox.)	\$2,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,249.87</b>

## 7. APOYO PROFESIONAL

7.1 Financiamiento CPR Asistente Legal (costo 2018)	\$47,500.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$47,500.00</b>

## TOTAL

**\$129,141.84**