

COM/CITEL RES. 242 (XXV-11)¹

CONTRIBUTION BY CITEL TO THE SIXTH SUMMIT OF THE AMERICAS

The XXV Meeting of the Permanent Executive Committee of CITEL, COM/CITEL,

CONSIDERING:

- a) That on April 14 and 15, 2012, the 34 Heads of State and Government of the Americas will meet in Cartagena, Colombia for the Sixth Summit of the Americas, whose theme will be “Connecting the Americas: Partners for Prosperity”;
- b) That the Sixth Summit of the Americas will focus on the role of physical integration and regional cooperation as a means to overcome the Hemisphere’s challenges and to achieve greater levels of development through consideration of the sub-themes: poverty and inequity, citizen security, natural disasters, and access to technology; and
- c) That the Inter-American Telecommunication Commission (CITEL) has addressed in a cross-cutting manner the sub-themes to be considered at the Sixth Summit of the Americas and that it is important for discussions of these issues to reflect clearly the importance of telecommunications and information technologies,

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BEARING IN MIND:

- a) That in the Declaration of Mexico, the Representatives of the telecommunication administrations of the Organization of American States (OAS), at the Fifth Regular Meeting of the Assembly of CITEL, agreed to continue fulfilling the telecommunication-related commitments assumed at the Summits of the Americas, and to promote and disseminate the implementation of the recommendations and guidelines of CITEL; and
- b) That objective 3 of the Strategic Plan of CITEL establishes the mandate [t]o identify and recommend options to address problems of the existing digital divide among and within the Member States, in keeping with the mandates of the Summits of the Americas,

RESOLVES:

1. To invite the Member States of CITEL to forward to their National Coordinator of the Sixth Summit of the Americas the following documents arising from different meetings of CITEL, in order to reflect the positive impact of telecommunications and information and communication technologies on poverty and inequity, citizen security, natural disasters, and access to technology:

The Declaration of Mexico of the Fifth Meeting of the Assembly of CITEL

Resolution PCC.I/RES.152 (XIV-09), "Support for the Project on Creation of the "Telehealth Network of the Americas"

Recommendation PCC.I/REC.6 (XVI-10), "Adoption of Measures to Establish Procedures for Installing Minimum Communication Equipment at Times of Natural Disasters"

Decision PCC.I/DEC. 112 (XVII-10), "Design and Implementation of a Capacity Building Program for Indigenous Peoples Related to Telecommunications/ICT"

Resolution PCC.I/RES.189 (XIX-11), "Regional Measures to Combat the Theft of Mobile Terminal Devices"

Resolution PCC.I/RES.194 (XIX-11), "Gender Issue in the Americas Region"

Resolution PCC.I/RES.196 (XIX-11), "Creation of a Regional Child Help Online Website"

Document CCP.I-TIC/doc. 2447/11, "Report Seminar on "The Use of Telecommunications for Disaster Prevention and Mitigation, August 29, 2011, Mar del Plata, Argentina"

Document CCP.I-TIC/doc. 2477/11 rev.1, "Meeting of Organizations and/or Agencies to Promote Telecommunications/ICT Development: Final Report"

2. To invite the Member States of CITEL to provide technical and technological assistance to their National Coordinator for the Sixth Summit of the Americas in the preparatory process being carried out through the meetings of the Summit Implementation Review Group (SIRG).