

COM/CITEL RES. 65 (VII-98)¹
STABILIZING THE FINANCIAL ALLOCATION FOR CITEL
FROM THE ORDINARY BUDGET OF THE OAS

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

CONSIDERING:

- (a) Resolution 24, adopted by the CITEL Assembly in March 1998, which highlighted the need to ensure that the cumulative total of associate member fees in any given fiscal year is not used as a pretext for lowering the proportional share for CITEL from the Regular Fund of the OAS at the annual meetings of the General Assembly;
- (b) Decision 5 by the V meeting of the Steering Committee of COM/CITEL in August 1998 which noted that the Executive Secretary should send a note to the Member States suggesting that they contact their representatives to the OAS informing them of the importance of the CITEL program of activities and of the impact the budget cuts are having on reducing the effectiveness of CITEL; and
- (c) The Plan of Action adopted by the Heads of Government at the Second Summit of the Americas which included activities to be undertaken by CITEL as part of its overall work program.

RECOGNIZING:

The importance of ensuring that all the activities of CITEL, including those originating from the Summit Plan of Action, are adequately financed in order to ensure the continuity of the work program of CITEL.

RESOLVES:

1. That the Chairman of COM/CITEL be invited to prepare a letter to the Permanent Representatives of the OAS which emphasizes both the importance of CITEL activities as well as the need to ensure that these activities are allocated sufficient financial resources from the Regular Fund of the OAS.
2. That the Executive Secretary of CITEL be invited to contact the Permanent Representatives prior to the annual meetings of the General Assembly of the OAS to ensure that the financial requirements of CITEL are fully understood.

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