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APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION PRESENTED PURSUANT TO ITEM 6
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IN OAS ACTIVITIES [CP/RES. 759 (1217/99)]

[Instituto de Estudios Internacionales (IDEI-Bolivia)]

ANALYSIS OF THE REQUEST BY *INSTITUTO DE ESTUDIOS INTERNACIONALES (IDEI-BOLIVIA)* TO BE REGISTERED IN THE OAS

This document was prepared by the Department of International Affairs, Secretariat for External Relations to provide information to the member states of the Organization of American States (OAS) on the civil society organization *Instituto de Estudios Internacionales* [Institute of International Studies, *IDEI-Bolivia*].

The information contained in this report is in response to resolution CP/RES. 759 (1217/99) "Guidelines for the Participation of Civil Society Organizations in OAS Activities." This document includes a summary and list of documentation presented by *Instituto de Estudios Internacionales (IDEI-Bolivia)* in accordance with the aforementioned Guidelines.

1. Background

The *Instituto de Estudios Internacionales (IDEI-Bolivia)* is a nonprofit association founded on November 25, 2000 in Cochabamba, Bolivia, with a mission is to serve as an academic institution for legal research on issues related to international and domestic law and Bolivia's international relations and its public and private agencies.

IDEI-Bolivia is made up of undergraduate and graduate professors and college students mostly from the *Universidad Mayor de San Simón*, who are interested in international law, integration, administrative law, and public law in general as well as other issues related to the national reality. It also includes individuals trained in political science and economics.

Through research and teaching activities, *IDEI-Bolivia* organizes various forums and meetings that provide a stage for academic interaction between teachers and students. Its programs include the Teacher Support program that evaluates activities related to teaching and research. In 2011 *IDEI-Bolivia* staged the Second Forum on the International Problems of Bolivia and the Second National Convention on International Law, two events that each drew some 400 participants.

IDEI-Bolivia has published books and articles on such domestic issues as *state reforms* and *legal pluralism and multiculturalism* and on international issues such as *legal instruments of international law* and *Latin America and the international economic crisis*. The purpose of the *Journal of the Institute of International Studies* is to provide information on international law and international relations digitally and electronically. It reaches some 300 readers weekly and about 1,500 Newsletter subscribers.

Under the *IDEI-Bolivia Research Program*, the Institute works on issues of national and regional interest in the field of public and private international law, coordinating its members' efforts with those of civil society, thereby promoting human development through scientific and academic structures.

IDEI-Bolivia also operates the human rights, migration, and foreign nationals advisory program, which, albeit still in its preparatory phase, falls under the purview of the legal advisory services that the Institute intends to provide, including related branches related to international law, constitutional law, and human rights.

To develop links with other academic institutions and organizations, IDEI-Bolivia has signed agreements with several national universities and institutions, including the *Universidad Mayor de San Simón*, the Superior Court of Justice of Cochabamba, and the Bar Association of Cochabamba, as well as overseas organizations such as the International Organization for Migration (IOM).

IDEI-Bolivia finances its activities through contributions from associates, sales of publications, and subscriptions to its academic events.

IDEI-Bolivia submitted its application to the OAS on April 12, 2012.

2. Name, address, and date of establishment of the CSO

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General Secretary: Luis Inarra Zeballos

Date established: November 25, 2000

3. Primary areas of activity and contributions that could be of interest to the OAS:

The *Instituto de Estudios Internacionales (IDEI-Bolivia)* promotes academic debate in the area of law, with special emphasis on international law. The primary areas of activity and contributions of the organization that could be of interest to the OAS include:

- In-depth analysis of public and private international law, by conducting research related to the defense and promotion of human rights and their application across the region, through specialized courses in international and domestic law and through staging academic events, forums, and conventions on issues; and
- Promoting multidimensional security issues of the inter-American system and the rule of law in Bolivia and throughout the region, through specific research programs on these topics.

4. Identification of potential areas of collaboration with the OAS

Instituto de Estudios Internacionales (IDEI-Bolivia) offers to collaborate with the OAS in the following areas:

- Providing information and contributing to the work of the OAS Permanent Council's Committee on Juridical and Political Affairs (CAJP) and the Department of International Law (DIL) of the Secretariat for Legal Affairs (SLA), mainly in relation to the Inter-American Specialized Conferences on Private International Law (CIDIP) and the Inter-American Program for the Development of International Law;
- Publicizing the work of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR) and contributing to the Rapporteurship on the Rights of Migrant Workers and Their Families;
- Sharing with the Permanent Council's Committee on Migration Issues information about the migration situation in the Americas, in collaboration with the Department of Social Development and Employment of the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development (DSDE/SEDI); and
- Supporting human rights education in the region in collaboration with the Inter-American Institute of Human Rights (IIHR) and providing input on the human rights situation in Bolivia for the Inter-American Report on human rights education, which the IIHR has been preparing annually since 2002.

5. Documents submitted by the CSO to the OAS

- Letter to the OAS Secretary General, dated April 12, 2012
- Articles of Incorporation
- Statutes
- Institutional mission statement
- Activities report for 2011
- Financial statements for 2011 (signed by Oscar E. Alba Salazar, President of IDEI, and Justo Siácara Tovar, Accountant General)