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PARTICIPATION BY CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS  
IN OAS ACTIVITIES [CP/RES. 759 (1217/99)]

(Corporación Cultural Nueva Acrópolis of Chile)

ANALYSIS OF FACTORS RELATED TO THE APPLICATION BY THE  
*CORPORACIÓN CULTURAL NUEVA ACRÓPOLIS* OF CHILE  
TO PARTICIPATE IN OAS ACTIVITIES

This document was prepared by the Summits Secretariat to provide member states of the Organization of American States (OAS) with information on the civil society organization (CSO) *Corporación Cultural Nueva Acrópolis* of Chile.

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 contains a summary and a list of supporting documentation presented by *Corporación Cultural Nueva Acrópolis*, in accordance with the aforementioned Guidelines.

1. Background

*Corporación Cultural Nueva Acrópolis* is a nonprofit civil society organization established on January 19, 1990, in Santiago, Chile, to form a universal fraternity for the comparative study of religions, science, arts, and philosophy and of social sector laws. The Corporation promotes philosophy and integrated education as an ideal for human and cultural realization, seeking to bring about coexistence based on respect and tolerance.

The *Corporación Cultural Nueva Acrópolis* funds its activities with member contributions and private donations.

It filed its application with the OAS on November 30, 2005.

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

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E-mail address:	oinachil@entelchile.net
Website:	www.nueva-acropolischile.org
Vice President	Jorge Gallardo Vargas
Director of Study Programs	Rossana Bertolotto Neubauer
Date established:	October 18, 1990 (Decree No. 1337 of the Ministry of Justice of Chile)

3. Primary areas of activity of the CSO and their relationship to OAS activities

The Corporation's primary area of activity related to the OAS is in the promotion of human values, philosophy, and integrated education. Its principal activities are:

- Conducting educational, social, and cultural activities in 17 cities of Chile, aimed at promoting the values of respect, tolerance, peaceful coexistence, and democracy;
- Promoting the establishment of educational, training, and research institutions, preschools, and primary and secondary schools, facilitating access to integrated education and culture;
- Bringing about debate and participation on the observance and promotion of human rights, especially in the economic, social, and cultural areas;
- Encouraging participation in artistic and cultural events by the community and grassroots organizations;
- Facilitating educational scholarships for low-income students.

4. CSO contributions that could be of interest to the OAS

The Corporation can contribute to OAS efforts through the following activities:

- Conducting training seminars and similar activities promoting democratic values and respect for the effective exercise of human rights, social rights, and tolerance;
- Conducting volunteer cultural activities in impoverished sectors of society, facilitating access for all persons without discrimination;
- Conducting and publicizing research on human, economic, and social rights in the Americas;
- Encouraging respect for racial, cultural, religious, and indigenous minorities by promoting awareness of their cultural values and ways of thinking.

5. Identification of the OAS work areas in which the CSO proposes to support ongoing activities or to make recommendations on the best way to achieve OAS objectives

The *Corporación Cultural Nueva Acrópolis* believes it can contribute to OAS efforts in the defense and promotion of human rights and in the implementation of social and cultural development programs by:

- Supporting and promoting awareness of the Inter-American Democratic Charter and the programs conducted by the Department for the Promotion of Democracy of the Secretariat for Political Affairs;

- Backing educational programs fostering tolerance, free thought, mutual respect, nonviolence, and recognition of cultural diversity in accordance with the 2006-2009 Strategic Plan for Partnership for Development of the Inter-American Council for Integral Development (CIDI);
- Promoting awareness of the reports of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR);
- Promoting messages and programs consistent with the commitments set forth in the Declaration on Security in the Americas and supporting activities of the Department for the Prevention of Threats against Public Security;
- Evaluating the educational content of economic integration agreements and supporting the activities of the Department of Education, Culture, Science, and Technology of the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development;
- Participating in the Summits of the Americas process through Summits Secretariat activities.

6. Documents submitted by the CSO to the OAS

- Letter addressed to the Secretary General of the OAS on November 30, 2005
- Letter addressed to the Summits Secretariat on June 23, 2006
- Copy of the annual report of the General Assembly of Members, No. 17, 2005
- Application by *Corporación Cultural Nueva Acrópolis* to participate in OAS activities
- Financial statement for 2005
- Notice from the Ministry of Justice of Chile confirming the legal status of the Corporation, dated November 8, 1990
- Statutes of the Corporation, January 19, 1990
- Annual report of the *Corporación Cultural Nueva Acrópolis*, January 1 – December 31, 2004