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APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION PRESENTED PURSUANT TO ITEM 6
OF THE GUIDELINES FOR PARTICIPATION BY CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS
IN OAS ACTIVITIES [CP/RES. 759 (1217/99)]

[Fundación Consejo de Defensa del Niño (CODENI)]

ANALYSIS OF THE APPLICATION BY *FUNDACIÓN CONSEJO DE DEFENSA DEL NIÑO* TO BE REGISTERED WITH 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 *Fundación Consejo de Defensa del Niño* [Children's Defense Council Foundation, CONEDI].

The information contained in this report is provided pursuant to resolution CP/RES. 759 (1217/99), "Guidelines for the Participation of Civil Society Organizations in OAS Activities," and includes a summary and a list of data and documentation presented by *Fundación Consejo de Defensa del Niño*, in accordance with the aforementioned Guidelines.

1. **Background**

Fundación Consejo de Defensa del Niño (CODENI) is a non-profit organization that was founded in Santiago, Chile, on January 10, 1938. Its purpose is to contribute to the development of early childhood and young people in vulnerable situations.

CODENI is based on the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child, which provides the basis for *CODENI's* main lines of activity: rights protection, criminal liability of adolescents, and eradication of child labor.

CODENI runs 68 programs in seven regions of the country, and collaborates with *Fundación Telefónica Chile* on child labor prevention and eradication programs that helped a total of 10,868 children in 2012. *CODENI's* main projects are related to protecting the rights of children and young people who have been raped or whose rights are infringed; supporting young people charged with violating the Juvenile Criminal Responsibility Law; eradicating child labor; and supporting the educational process for 54 schools in various regions of Chile.

CODENI finances its projects through contributions from the National Youth Service, *Fundación Telefónica Chile*, *Polla Chilena Relief*, and Lotería de Concepción.

CODENI applied for registration with the OAS on February 5, 2014.

2. **Name, address, and date of establishment**

Name of Organization:	Fundación Consejo de Defensa del Niño (CODENI)
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Website www.codeni.cl
President: José Pedro Silva Prado
Date established: January 10, 1938

3. Primary areas of activities and CSO contributions that could be of interest to the OAS

CODENI works to strengthen the rights of children and young people in vulnerable situations. Its primary areas of work and contributions that could be of interest to the OAS include:

- Conducting research and preparing proposals to help craft public policies to strengthen respect for human rights and improve conditions for children and young people in vulnerable situations;
- Supporting the administration of justice by preparing technical reports on issues in which the rights of children and young people could be at risk; and
- Carrying out awareness-raising activities on the importance of education, so as to prevent school dropout and eradicate child labor.

4. Identification of potential areas of collaboration with the OAS

CODENI is interested in supporting OAS activities in the following areas:

- Contributing to the work of the Inter-American Children's Institute (IIN) in formulating public policies to improve living conditions for children;
- Supporting the Inter-American Committee on Education (CIE) of the Inter-American Council for Integral Development (CIDI) in its effort to develop quality education and prevent school dropout;
- Supporting the Inter-American Committee on Social Development (CIDS) of the Inter-American Council for Integral Development (CIDI) in its promotion of education as a vehicle for integral development for children and for poverty eradication; and
- Collaborating with the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights' Special Rapporteurship on the Rights of the Child in strengthening respect for the human rights of children and young people in the Americas.

5. Documents submitted by the CSO to the OAS

- Letter to the OAS Secretary General, dated February 5, 2014
- Mission statement
- Articles of Incorporation
- Record of Adoption of bylaws
- Annual report 2012
- Financial Statements for 2012 and 2011