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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 Mi Casa]*

## ANALYSIS OF THE APPLICATION BY *FUNDACIÓN MI CASA* 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 Mi Casa* (My House Foundation).

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 Mi Casa* in accordance with the aforementioned Guidelines.

### **1. Background**

*Fundación Mi Casa* is a nonprofit organization that was established on February 22, 1952 in Santiago, Chile. It became a partner agency with the National Children's Service of Chile (SENAME) on July 17, 1967.

The organization's objective is to contribute to the promotion, protection, and restoration of children's fundamental rights by adjusting and placing them with a new family, in order to provide them a healthy and stable home.

It has provided care and intervention for more than 13,400 children in Chile. The CSO has also executed over 50 direct intervention projects using a variety of care arrangements, and got children back to their daily life.

*Fundación Mi Casa* undertakes a series of programs geared towards reaching out to children in Chile who are, or risk becoming, deprived of parental care. The Foundation provides children with temporary accommodation when they have been removed from their families. It also facilitates adoption, redress in cases of severe child abuse, intervention programs, prevention programs, and outpatient diagnostic evaluations for children whose rights have been violated.

*Fundación Mi Casa* has developed expertise in conducting programs for children deprived of parental care and programs to strengthen families, in order to build their capacity and parenting skills to care for and protect their children.

The Foundation participates in civil society organization networks so it can build partnerships for action on defense and advocacy in public policy on children and young people in Chile. Since July 2009, the CSO has had consultative status with the UN's Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC).

*Fundación Mi Casa* carries out its projects with funds from organizations such as SENAME and the National Women's Service.

*Fundación Mi Casa* submitted its application to the OAS on July 8, 2014.

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

Name of Organization: Fundación Mi Casa

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Chair: Maria Josefina Bilbao M.

Legal Counsel: Delia del Gatto Reyes

Date established: February 22, 1952

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

*Fundación Mi Casa* protects and restores to children and young people their rights that have been violated. The main areas of activity and contributions of the CSO that may be of interest to the OAS include:

- Delivering quality care for children and young people whose rights have been violated by giving them a home and covering their biopsychosocial needs, so they can soon rejoin their own families;
- Resolving rights violations affecting children and young people from certain territories, preventing them from becoming chronic;
- Developing strategic partnerships with national and international entities, so as to promote, carry out, and evaluate family outreach programs;
- Advising national and international public and private institutions on children's and family issues.

**4. Identification of potential areas of collaboration with the OAS**

*Fundación Mi Casa* proposes to collaborate with the OAS in the following areas:

- Promotion and implementation of the Inter-American Children's Institute (IIN) objectives to protect and restore basic children's rights, in conjunction with the OAS member states;
- Collaboration with the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights' (IACHR) Office of the Rapporteur on the Rights of the Child in analyzing and evaluating the human rights situation of children and young people in the Americas.
- Strengthening and promoting inter-American dialogue with the Inter-American Committee on Social Development (CIDES) of the Inter-American Council for Integral Development (CIDI) to support public policy formulation and pursue cooperation activities in the area of social development to fight poverty and discrimination.
- Collaboration with the Inter-American Committee on Education (CIE) to strengthen inter-American dialogue on education, in order to develop quality education and stop children from dropping out of school; and
- Participation in hemispheric debates with civil society on the issue, and sending the OAS member states recommendations to serve as input for such events as the OAS General Assembly, Permanent Council meetings, IACHR sessions, etc.

**5. Documents submitted by the CSO to the OAS**

- Letter to the OAS Secretary General, dated July 8, 2014
- Articles of Incorporation
- Statutes
- Institutional mission and objectives statement
- Annual report for 2013
- 2013 financial statements, audited by Serrano, Perez & Cía Consultants