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

[Asociación Nacional de Redes y Organizaciones Sociales (ANROS) (National Association of Social
Networks and Organizations)]

ANALYSIS OF FACTORS RELATED TO THE APPLICATION BY THE
ASOCIACIÓN NACIONAL DE REDES Y ORGANIZACIONES SOCIALES (ANROS)
(NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SOCIAL NETWORKS AND ORGANIZATIONS)
DE VENEZUELA
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) *Asociación Nacional de Redes y Organizaciones Sociales* (ANROS) (National Association of Social Networks and Organizations) of Venezuela.

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 *ANROS*, in accordance with the aforementioned Guidelines.

1. Background

ANROS is a civil society organization founded on March 29, 2001, in Venezuela, whose purpose is to build a social network to help educate communities and thereby build a democratic, participatory, and proactive society with the Constitution of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela at its foundation.

ANROS focuses on planning, coordinating, and executing activities aimed at social development through projects directed toward communities, encouraging citizen participation by creating schools and learning programs. *ANROS's* assets are derived from income from the association's own activities and from donations and contributions by institutions, individuals, and legal entities.

ANROS filed its application with the OAS on April 2, 2005.

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

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Director General: Germán Ferrer
Date established: March 29, 2001

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

ANROS promotes democracy-building and the democratization of social networks and organizations in Venezuela through ideas, production of information, and execution of projects designed to facilitate citizen access to and participation in all types of activities in the communities. *ANROS* focuses on:

- Strengthening participatory democracy by building a social network
- Promoting activities based on the Constitution of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela to strengthen a democratic society by promoting justice, sustainable development, the prevention of violence, and human rights in the local community
- Supporting actions that strengthen the rule of law and streamline public administration
- Promoting activities to protect, preserve, and defend the environment

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

ANROS promotes the formation of social networks in Venezuela and believes it can contribute its experience in conducting programs such as:

- Forming networks of social organizations
- Offering forums for reconciliation and legal advisory services to local communities
- Establishing centers for preventing and addressing household and family violence; and
- Forming networks for the defense of human rights and the environment

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

ANROS offers to work with the OAS in strengthening participatory democracy, social development, and the democratization of society. To that end, it undertakes to make recommendations and support the work of the OAS in the following areas:

- Promoting the sustainable development programs of the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development Department of Sustainable Development of the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development (SEDI)

- Strengthening and promoting the defense of human rights and the tasks carried out by the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights
- Supporting peace-building and democracy-building with the Department for the Promotion of Democracy of the Secretariat for Political Affairs
- Strengthening freedom of thought and expression in conjunction with the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights
- Promoting civil society participation in decision-making through the activities of the Summits Secretariat
- Supporting SEDI in facilitating discussions on education, justice, and security

6. Documents submitted by the CSO to the OAS

- Application sent to the OAS General Secretariat on April 2, 2005
- Articles of incorporation and statutes
- Annual report for 2004
- 2004 financial report
- Mission statement of ANROS