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Innovative Efforts to Address Multidimensional Threats to Democratic Institutions

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Topic No. 1 of the Agenda

Draft Resolution Presented by the Delegation of El Salvador & Belize

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING CONSIDERED:

Article 2 of the Charter of the Organization of American States, which affirms its duty to "promote and consolidate representative democracy";

Chapter II, Article 7 of the Social Charter of the Americas which declares that member states, "will strive, based on respect for human rights and the rule of law, and within the framework of democratic institutions, to make efforts, domestically and internationally, as appropriate, to eliminate obstacles to development with a view to achieving full enjoyment of civil, political, economic, social, and cultural rights";

Chapter VII, Article 32 of the Charter of the Organization of American States which obliges member states to "contribute to inter-American cooperation for integral development in accordance with their resources and capabilities and in conformity with their laws",

BEARING IN MIND

Chapter 4, Article 20 of the Inter-American Democratic Charter which permits "In the event of an unconstitutional alteration of the constitutional regime that seriously impairs the democratic order in a member state, any member state or the Secretary General may request the immediate convocation of the Permanent Council to undertake a collective assessment of the situation and to take such decisions as it deems appropriate";

Article 4 of the Social Charter of the Americas, highlights, "Each Member State has the primary responsibility for its development and, in choosing its economic and social system within a framework of democracy, should further the establishment of a more just economic and social order that will enable and contribute to the fulfillment of the individual."

Resolves:

- 1. To honor the Member States that are dedicated to protecting and promoting democracy across the hemisphere.
- 2. To foster international collaborative efforts to combat domestic crime organizations by:

- a. Including trainings of law enforcement personnel, providing resources and technology, and strengthening judicial systems to effectively combat organized crime.
- b. Harmonizing laws and legal frameworks across countries can facilitate extradition, asset forfeiture, and prosecution of individuals involved in organized crime.
- 3.To establish the creation of a virtual interactive map attached to the OAS website by which users can access information on the electoral systems and judicial systems of each state in the Americas, whereby such a map will:
 - c. Be accessible via the OAS website.
 - d. Provide information on the system each member state has in place to preserve and protect their own democratic institutions.
 - e. Highlight the positive steps each member states have taken to promote democracy in the Americas.
 - f. Promote the continuation of previous steps taken by each member to strengthen democratic institutions.

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