GENERAL SECRETARIAT

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 16-05

SUBJECT: MAINSTREAMING THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS WITHIN THE OAS GENERAL SECRETARIAT

THE SECRETARY GENERAL,

By the authority granted to him under Articles 109 and 113 of the Charter of the Organization of American States (OAS) and Articles 4, 8, 12, and 14 of the General Standards to Govern the Operations of the General Secretariat of the OAS,

CONSIDERING:

That the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are now the focus of all Governments and non-State actors in the development process at the national, regional, and international levels;

That the Declaration of Santo Domingo, AG/DEC. 81 (XLVI-O/16), on "Institutional Strengthening for Sustainable Development in the Americas" adopted at the 46th Regular Session of the OAS General Assembly instructs the General Secretariat of the OAS to "work on coordinating efforts with the member states and regional and international organizations for the implementation of commitments undertaken with respect to sustainable development and climate change" and to "promote, within the framework of its mandates and in coordination with other international and regional entities and organizations the mobilization of resources and facilitate technical assistance as requested by states to advance the effective implementation [of the Declaration]";

That the Declaration of Santo Domingo recognize the need to promote the strengthening and creation of transparent, effective, responsible and inclusive institutions at all levels of government that facilitate the goals and targets of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development;

That to facilitate effective Secretariat-wide analysis, dialogue and results-based implementation of the aforementioned SDGs, it is necessary to mainstream their cross-cutting principles, policies and strategies within the programs, projects and activities of the General Secretariat; and

That it is important to establish a Committee to oversee the operationalization of such mainstreaming within each Secretariat,

RESOLVES:

- 1. To establish a Committee for mainstreaming the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The Committee shall be chaired by the Secretary General and coordinated by the Chief of Staff of the Secretary General. The Committee will be composed of the Chief of Staff of the Assistant Secretary General, the Secretaries and the Executive Secretaries.
- 2. To instruct the competent areas of the General Secretariat to establish task forces charged with the development and execution of each of the relevant SDGs.

Luis Almagre Secretary General

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