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The 55th OAS Assembly is taking place in Saint John, capital of Antigua and Barbuda, from June 25 to 27, under the theme "Building Resilient and Inclusive Economies in the Americas." It will be attended by Secretary General Albert Ramdin, the Assistant Secretary General, and the President of the Executive Council. The member states analyzed the proposals from the host country, Antigua and Barbuda, with the intention of creating economies that address current problems such as health emergencies, mental health in countries across the Americas, financial crises, regional energy shortages, and natural disasters. They also addressed the serious institutional, economic, and security crisis facing Haiti. In addition to high unemployment, this last situation was analyzed with the urgency that it presents, requiring swift and effective action due to the serious crisis that Haitians are experiencing.

Resolving to develop an urgent program on the need to offer the Caribbean population a unified solution and response for a resilient society in Haiti.

This resolution imperatively requests the Secretary-General to submit a work plan within 45 days at the most for the recomp osition of institutions and order, as well as support for the incumbent authorities, in addition to health aid and a political consensus that will allow for the convening of democratic and preserved elections in the short term. In the work entrusted to the Secretary General, he is required to provide a report on unemployment data and the country's economic and productive activities by sector.

On the topic of "addressing the serious mental health crisis afflicting the peoples of the Americas," a formal commitment was obtained from the member states to strengthen investment in health, whether through material and/or in-kind contributions, as well as through the allocation of budget allocations.

To this end, commitments were obtained to work with PAHO, the Pan American Health Organization, to address these conditions and the current scourge of suicide at an alarming rate.

And a fund was created with the Development Bank of Latin America and the Caribbean (CAF), PAHO, and the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB).

Finally, regarding this resolution on health protection, the second week of October was established as INTER-AMERICAN HEALTH WEEK.

A satisfactory DECLARATION was finally approved, reflecting the Argentine government's decision to resume dialogue. Regarding the claim to the Falkland Islands.

It should be noted, and this is the opinion of this committee and in my case as an Argentine, that although no reference is made to the right to self-determination of peoples as a pillar of international law, it is not relevant in this case because the Falkland Islanders are not indigenous peoples, but were usurped in 1833, and therefore now hold British citizenship, which is not their right.

Regarding the 2026 elections, the following were elected:

IACHR representatives from the Bahamas and the United States for 4 years CJI Inter-American Juridical Committee for 4 years and, by acclamation, representatives from Uruguay, Panama, and Haiti

For the Administrative Tribunal, representative from Uruguay for 6 years The Assembly also adopted the following resolutions:

- Commemoration of the Bicentennial of the Amphictyonic Congress of Panama
- Hemispheric Commemoration of the 250th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence of the United States of America
- Commemoration of the Bicentennial of the Independence of Bolivia
- Commemoration of the Bicentennial of the Independence of the Eastern Republic of Uruguay: Liberating Crusade and Declaration of Independence of the Eastern Province
- Celebration of Spanish Language Week at the OAS
- Recognition of Pope Francis' contributions to inter-American values
- Promoting hemispheric initiatives in the area of integral development
- Establishment of a Credentials Committee for the Organization of American States
- Reaffirmation of Mandates and Establishment of a Mandate Management Mechanism
- Financing of the Program-Budget of the Organization for 2026 and Convening of a Special Session of the General Assembly to Consider and Approve the Program-Budget for 2026
- Amendment to Article 32.1 of the Statute of the Inter-American Defense Board Regarding the Headquarters of That Body