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I HEREBY CERTIFY that this volume contains the official texts of the declarations and resolutions adopted by the General Assembly of the Organization of American States at its fifty-first regular session, held virtually, in Guatemala City, Guatemala, from November 10 to 12, 2021.

Luis Almagro Secretary General Organization of American States

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## AG/RES. 2975 (LI-O/21)

### STRENGTHENING DEMOCRACY 1/2/3/4/

(Adopted at the second plenary session, held on November 11, 2021)

### THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

REAFFIRMING the norms and general principles of international law and those contained in the Charter of the Organization of American States (OAS);

MINDFUL that the Charter of the OAS provides in its preamble "that representative democracy is an indispensable condition for the stability, peace and development of the region" and proclaims that one of the essential purposes of the Organization is "to promote and consolidate representative democracy, with due respect for the principle of nonintervention";

RECALLING resolution AG/RES. 2958 (L-O/20) and all previous resolutions adopted on this subject;

HAVING SEEN the "Annual Report of the Permanent Council to the General Assembly, November 2020-November 2021" (AG/doc.5726/21 add. 1), in particular the section on the activities of the Committee on Juridical and Political Affairs (CAJP); and

CONSIDERING that the programs, activities, and tasks set out in the resolutions under the purview of the CAJP help further the essential purposes of the Organization enshrined in the Charter of the OAS.

v. <u>Strengthening cadastre and property registry in the Americas amid the COVID-19 pandemic (2021)</u>

CONSIDERING the sections "Strengthening cadastre and property registry in the Americas" in resolutions AG/RES. 2927 (XLVIII-O/18) and AG/RES. 2931 (XLIX-O/19), "Strengthening Democracy," which recommend that the General Secretariat, through the Department for Effective Public Management, continue supporting efforts by member states that so request to strengthen their cadastre and property registry management and to share experiences and good practices that will advance the regional agenda on this matter;

<sup>1.</sup> Mexico once more notes with concern inconsistencies and irregularities in the report of the Secretary General on the presentation of credentials of the delegations taking part in the fifty-first regular ...

<sup>2.</sup> Nicaragua endorses the statements made by the delegations of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, the United Mexican States, and the Plurinational State of Bolivia rejecting the improper accreditation of ...

<sup>3.</sup> Antigua and Barbuda considers that the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela is not a member state of the Organization of American States since, on 27 April 2017, the Government of the Bolivarian Republic ...

<sup>4.</sup> Saint Vincent and the Grenadines places on record its non-recognition and non-acceptance of the credentials of the purported delegation of the National Assembly of the Bolivarian Republic ...

MINDFUL of the multidimensional effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and of the need to address its impacts, among others, on weakened local economies and to provide public services to citizens, including cadastre and property registry;

TAKING NOTE of the 2019 activity report of the Inter-American Network on Cadastre and Property Registry (RICRP) delivered at its Sixth Conference and Assembly held virtually on December 4, 2021, and at the virtual meeting of the CAJP on February 25, 2021; and

THANKING the Government of Peru for its organization of the Sixth Conference and Assembly of the RICRP in 2020, in collaboration with the World Bank and the General Secretariat, as well as the Dominican Republic —as Chair— and Colombia, Honduras, Jamaica, México and Paraguay, as representatives on the Executive Committee of the RICRP for 2021,

### **RESOLVES:**

- 1. To instruct the General Secretariat, through the Department for Effective Public Management, to continue its support as Technical Secretariat of the Inter-American Network on Cadastre and Property Registry (RICRP), by promoting activities, programs, and projects to strengthen cadastre and property registry in the Americas amid the COVID-19 pandemic, disseminating their contribution to the process of economic and social recovery in the region, building partnerships, and engaging in cooperation for their implementation, including training for cadastre and property registry agencies in the region, sharing experience and knowledge among them, and exchanges of experience in remote attention to citizens and the virtualization of cadastres and registries.
- 2. To reaffirm the importance of intensifying efforts and promotion of experience sharing among national cadastre and registry agencies with a view to advancing cadastre and registry management, as well as their collaboration with other public and private-sector institutions and civil society. Together with the effort to improve territorial cadastre-registry databases, to consider ongoing maintenance and updating of cadastres and registries in the region; and to urge member states to contribute to the creation of a basic regional guide of best practices in the digitalization of the procedures and services of the cadastres and registries with users, and the Department for Effective Public Management to support the development of those guidelines.
- 3. To urge cadastre and registry institutions in member states to participate in the development of initiatives to meet the objectives set forth in this resolution, through the sharing of experience to strengthen not only cadastre and registry management amid the COVID-19 pandemic, but also digital transformation, through the use of traditional and, in particular, emerging systems, databases, and technological models; and to instruct the Department for Effective Public Management to conduct the biannual survey of cadastre and property registry and to report its findings to the Committee on Juridical and Political Affairs (CAJP).
- 4. To reiterate the invitation for all member states to attend the Seventh Annual Conference and Assembly of the RICRP, to be held in person and virtually in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic from November 1 to 4, 2021, with the support of the Real Estate Registry of the Dominican Republic as RICRP Chair.