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EFFECTIVE PUBLIC MANAGEMENT STRENGTHENING AND INNOVATION INITIATIVE IN THE AMERICAS

(Adopted at the second plenary session, held on June 5, 2013)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

CONSIDERING that resolution AG/RES. 2705 (XLII-O/12), "Promotion and Strengthening of Democracy: Follow-up to the Inter-American Democratic Charter," resolves "[t]o recommend to the General Secretariat that it support the modernization and strengthening of democratic institutions in the member states that so request, and promote cooperation and dialogue among these institutions as a means to build capacity and share experiences, including in the fields of civil registry; cooperation and legislative and electoral-technology modernization; decentralization and local governments; public administration and transparency; community participation; capacity-building for youth and children on democratic values and practices; information and communications technologies (ICTs); and e-government"; and

BEARING IN MIND the "Proposal for an Inter-American Cooperation Mechanism for Effective Public Management (MECIGEP)" (CP/CAJP/INF.174/12) and considering that the development of this initiative in no way affects the Regular Fund of the Organization of American States,

RESOLVES:

1. To amalgamate the current initiatives and activities of the Department for Effective Public Management into a hemispheric cooperation mechanism on governance aimed at bolstering public administration in member states through dialogue, mutual learning, and technical cooperation by which to enable efficient, transparent, and participatory public management. To that end, the development and implementation of this mechanism shall be done in permanent consultation with the public administration supervision entities in OAS member states.

2. To entrust the Secretariat for Political Affairs, through the Department of Effective Public Management, with the development of initiatives aimed at strengthening government institutions—in particular, at the local and regional government level—in order to enable networks of authorities and experts to operate; create training and capacity-building opportunities through forums for exchange of experiences and mutual learning; and facilitate strategic partnerships among universities and educational institutions—both public and private—for the purposes of research, training, and capacity-building for public-sector leaders and managers in the region; among other similar initiatives, in keeping with their capacities and current areas of action.