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Report on the activities of the Council to the XXVIII Session of the General Conference

The OPANAL Council, in accordance with Article 10, paragraph 6 of the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (Treaty of Tlatelolco), presents to the General Conference the report of its activities for the period between the XXVII Special Session (November 17, 2022) and the XXVIII Session of the General Conference (November 3, 2023).

I. Composition of the Council and sessions held

The Member States of the Council in 2022 and 2023 were: Belize, Honduras, Nicaragua (elected for the period 2020-2023) and Brazil and Guatemala (elected for the period 2022-2025). The activities conducted throughout 2022 and 2023 took into account, to the extent possible, the provisions stipulated in the *"Council Work Plan 2023 (Thematic and chronological)"* (document C/01/2023Rev.2). In addition, the work of the Council during this period was conducted, to the extent possible, in accordance with resolution *"Working methods for OPANAL meetings in 2023"* (CG/E/Res.10/2022), adopted by the XXVII Special Session of the General Conference.

Since the XXVII Special Session, the Council has met seven times, alternating the Presidency according to Article 9 of the Rules of Procedure of the Council¹. The dates, present delegations and number of minutes are listed as an annex (Annex i).

II. Communiqués, declarations and other statements issued by OPANAL

 <u>Communiqué of the Member States of the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in</u> <u>Latin America and the Caribbean (OPANAL) on the 56th Anniversary of the Treaty of Tlatelolco</u> (<u>Inf.01/2023Rev.4</u>). The Council took note of the preliminary draft of the communiqué prepared

¹ The Council shall submit to the General Conference an annual report on its activities, as well as such special reports as it deems appropriate or which the General Conference may request from it.

by the Secretariat circulated on November 30, 2022 and decided to establish a technical working group for discussion under the coordination of Brazil.

- The group met twice: January 12 and February 2, 2023.
- The final version of the communiqué (Inf.01/2023Rev.4) was circulated on February 9, 2023, among OPANAL coordinators in Geneva, New York and Vienna for widespread dissemination.
- Declaration by the Member States of the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (OPANAL) International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons (26 September 2023) (Inf.37/2023Rev.4): The Council took note of the preliminary draft declaration prepared by the Secretariat circulated on August 11 and decided to establish a technical group for its discussion.
 - The group met twice: on August 17 and on September 10.
 - At its 346th meeting, the Council adopted the Declaration of the Member States of OPANAL (Inf.37/2023Rev.4).
 - The final version of the Declaration was sent to the Member States and OPANAL Coordinators in Geneva, New York and Vienna on September 19.
 - On September 26, 2026, OPANAL, through its Coordination, participated in the event commemorating the International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons at the United Nations headquarters in New York.

III. Matters reviewed by the OPANAL Council

- <u>Commemoration of the 56th Anniversary of the opening for signature of the Treaty of Tlatelolco.</u> The Council took note of the efforts made by the Secretariat for the commemoration of the 56th Anniversary of the opening for signature of the Treaty for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean on February 14, 2023, which included:
 - Civic commemoration at the Plaza de las Tres Culturas, located in Tlatelolco, with the support of the Cuauhtémoc Mayor's Office and the presence of the Diplomatic Corps accredited in Mexico, authorities from different levels of government and representatives of different organizations.

- Selection and elaboration of material for the historical photographic exhibition "The Treaty of Tlatelolco and its universalization in Latin America and the Caribbean".
- Contracting of image design services for the event and preparation of dissemination materials (various).
- Elaboration and circulation of the Media Strategy for Member States (Inf.05/2023).
- Coordination with the Soka Gakkai Mexico organization for the presentation of the exhibition *"Everything you treasure; for a nuclear-weapon-free world"*, jointly elaborated with the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN).
- <u>Conference on Disarmament (January 23 to March 31, 2023, Geneva)</u>: The Coordination of OPANAL in Geneva informed the Secretariat that the approval for the participation of observers in the Conference on Disarmament considered this year was particularly difficult, given the international political situation reflected in the aforementioned forum, so the participation of the Secretary-General was not feasible.
- First meeting of the Preparatory Committee for the Eleventh Review Conference of the Non-Proliferation Treaty (July 31 to August 11, Vienna). The Secretary-General informed the Council on his participation in the General Debate, at a side event co-organized by the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN) and the African Nuclear Energy Commission (AFCONE) on the complementarity of TPNWs and NWFZs, as well as on the results of his bilateral meetings held with Australia, France, the United Kingdom and Russia (Inf.42/2023).
- United Nations General Assembly First Committee (New York, September 2023): The Secretary-General informed the Council on his activities within the framework of the First Committee of the United Nations General Assembly, including his participation in the consultation on the draft resolution "Comprehensive study of the question of nuclear-weapon-free zones in all their aspects"; the meeting with His Excellency Ambassador Dennis Francis of Trinidad and Tobago, President of the 78th Session of the United Nations General Assembly (2023-2024); the meeting with H.E. Ambassador Rytis Paulauskis, President of the First Committee of the 78th Session of the United Nations General Assembly; the meeting with Her Excellency, Ms. Carolyn Rodrigues-Birkett, Permanent Representative of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana to the United Nations: meeting with the missions in New York of the States parties to the Treaty of Tlatelolco; sent, with the support of the Coordination in New York, aide

mémoires with country-specific information to Antigua and Barbuda; Bahamas; Barbados; Dominica; Grenade; Guyana; Saint Lucia; Saint Kitts and Nevis; Suriname; Saint Vincent and the Grenadines; and Trinidad and Tobago; the preparation of the Secretary-General's intervention in the General Debate of the First Committee of the 78th Session of the United Nations; and the preparation of the technical elements for the Exchange with high-level officials proposed by the regional groups and UNODA in the framework of the structured discussion on specific items of the work programme of the First Committee. These last two activities were conducted, on behalf of the Secretary-General, by Ambassador Flavio Soares Damico, Special Representative of Brazil to the Conference on Disarmament, also in his capacity as OPANAL's Coordinator in New York.

- Resolution on the comprehensive study of the matter of nuclear-weapon-free zones in all their aspects. The Coordination of OPANAL in New York informed the Secretariat of the presentation of the draft resolution to the First Committee of the 78th session of the United Nations General Assembly, as well as the results of the informal consultations and the decision to postpone its presentation until next year. OPANAL Member States believe that a second comprehensive study will go a long way towards promoting the full implementation of the principles and objectives of existing treaties establishing nuclear-weapon-free zones, as well as supporting the establishment of other zones in regions where they do not exist. Therefore, in 2022, the Council decided to establish a Working Group, under the coordination of Brazil, to prepare a draft resolution to request the Secretary-General of the United Nations to prepare a comprehensive study on the issue of nuclear-weapon-free zones. After several sessions of the Working Group during 2023 and 2023, the content of the draft resolution was agreed upon by all Member States and transmitted to the OPANAL Coordination in New York for presentation at the 78th United Nations General Assembly. However, after the relevant consultations during the First Committee, it was considered that the best course of action was to work on the draft resolution with the technical assistance of the Office for Disarmament Affairs and to defer its submission to the 79th General Assembly.
- <u>UNODA Yearbook</u> Contribution of the OPANAL Secretariat to the update of the United Nations Disarmament Yearbook: The Council took note of document Inf.04/2022.
- OPANAL's contribution to the report of the United Nations Secretary-General on oceans and the Law of the Sea: The Council took note of document Inf.20/2023.

- <u>67th Session of the General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency (September</u>
 <u>25 September 29, 2023, Vienna)</u>: The Council took note of the statement made during the general debate by the Coordination of OPANAL in Vienna, (Mexico), on behalf of the Secretary-General at this meeting (Inf.41/2023).
- <u>Relations with the Central Asian Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone</u>: The Council continued its efforts to reach the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding with the Asian NWFZ.
- Relations with the African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone: OPANAL held a meeting with the Executive Secretary of AFCONE within the framework of the Preparatory Committee for the Eleventh Review Conference of the Non-Proliferation Treaty in Vienna, in which the possibility of carrying out, within the framework of the Memorandum of Understanding signed in 2021, of some joint activities, particularly in the field of education and outreach.
- <u>Relations with the Southeast Asia Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone</u>: The Council approved a series of joint activities with ASEAN to be carried out in early 2024, which will eventually conclude in the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding.
- <u>Relations with the South Pacific Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone</u>: OPANAL maintained contact with the Pacific Islands Forum within the framework of the 2003 Memorandum of Understanding.
- Control System and Obligations. In accordance with the obligations defined in the Treaty of Tlatelolco and the Control System established by the Treaty and in accordance with the resolution "Control System of the Treaty of Tlatelolco", adopted by the XXVII Special Session of the General Conference (CG/E/Res.12/2022), the Secretariat transmitted to all Member States the optional format for the submission of semi-annual reports under Article 14 of the Treaty of Tlatelolco and the Secretary-General informed the Council at all its meetings on the status of compliance with Articles 14 and 24 of the Treaty of Tlatelolco.
- Interpretative declarations made by States Parties to Additional Protocols I and II to the Treaty of Tlatelolco: The Council informed on the efforts conducted in accordance with the mandate contained in resolution CG/E/Res.03/2022, adopted by the XXVII Special General Conference, which instructed the Council "to take the necessary measures to engage in a constructive dialogue with the States Party to Additional Protocols I and II to the Treaty of Tlatelolco, so that they may positively consider the proposed adjustments to the Interpretative Declarations prepared by the Council itself." It also held bilateral meetings with the four States Parties to Additional Protocols

I and II to the Treaty of Tlatelolco and established respective dialogue mechanisms. During the period covered by this report, the Council included the issue of Interpretative Declarations as part of its agenda on seven occasions (341st – 347th sessions of the Council). At these meetings, the Council sought to prioritize three key aspects: (i) restarting negotiations with the United States, France, the United Kingdom and Russia; ii) request virtual and/or in-person bilateral meetings; and (iii) define strategies prior to the meeting with each of the States Parties to Additional Protocols I and II. Having achieved compliance with the mandate of the resolution at an early stage, the Council will aim to examine the relevance of updating the proposed Adjustments to the Interpretative Declarations in order to move forward on the matter.

- Joint request by the Council. Meeting with Foreign Minister Alicia Bárcena Ibarra, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mexico: The Secretary-General reported that at the request of H.E. Mr. Fernando Estellita Lins de Salvo Coimbra, Ambassador of Brazil to Mexico and Permanent Representative to OPANAL, the Member States of the Council issued a Joint Note together with the Secretary-General to Ms. Alicia Bárcena Ibarra, Secretary for Foreign Affairs, to request a courtesy meeting with the five members of the Council and the Secretary-General to present their compliments and discuss the work of the Agency. The Council noted that communication S-507/2023 was sent on August 29, 2023 and no response has yet been received.
- XXVIII Session of the General Conference: The Council, at its 344th session on May 18, 2023, took note of the Secretary-General's proposal to hold the XXVIII Session of the General Conference during the month of November. It also took note of the need to define the date, modality, venue, participation and other matters at its 345th meeting held on July 6, 2023. At its 346th meeting on September 8, 2023, the Council recalled that on August 29, 2023, the Secretariat circulated, through Notes S-523/2023 and S-524/2023, Note No. 1101/EMX/N3/2023, dated August 28, on the intention of the Government of Guatemala to host the XXVIII Session of the General Conference at the premises of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Guatemala in Guatemala City on November 3, 2023 and that, through Notes S-527/2023 and S-528/2023, dated September 1, 2023, a draft preliminary agenda and a revised draft preliminary agenda were circulated on September 14, 2023 through Notes S-565/2023 and S-566/2023.

The Council decided to establish a working group to examine the 19 draft resolutions prepared by the Secretariat to be submitted to the XXVIII Session of the General Conference of OPANAL for consideration. In this regard, the Working Group met twice, on October 6 and 13, 2013, under the coordination of the Representation of Guatemala.

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<u>Education and outreach activities</u>

- Internship Programme at the Secretariat. In 2023, Océane Van Geluwe (France), Brandon Young Durán (Mexico), Juliany Aime Alcocer Ángeles (Mexico), Ursula Patricia Caturla Rodríguez (Peru/Spain) and José Joaquín Eguía Vélez (Mexico) were accepted.
- Financially supported internship programme for OPANAL Member States that are also members of CARICOM. Ms. Ongel Williams, Foreign Service Officer, nominated by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana, was accepted in this modality.
- IX edition of the Summer School on Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation for diplomats from Latin America and the Caribbean: The ninth edition of the Summer School on Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation for diplomats from Latin America and the Caribbean, organized annually by OPANAL, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mexico (SRE), the Matías Romero Institute (IMR) and the James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies (CNS) of the Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey, took place from July 10 to July 15 in Mexico City.
- OPANAL Course on Disarmament and Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons. From July 24 to 26, 2023, the OPANAL Course on Disarmament and Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons was held at the "Antonio José de Irisarri" Diplomatic Academy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Guatemala, with the participation of officials from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of the Interior, Ministry of National Defense, Rafael Landívar University and National Institute of Studies Strategic Security Officers, and Diplomatic Academy. Likewise, the Course is scheduled to be held in Quito, Ecuador for December 5-7, 2023, and in Mexico City, Mexico, in January 15-26, 2024. (Inf.36/2023).

- Other meetings and activities. The Council took note of the following activities:

- Participation of the Secretary-General in the webinar Alfonso García Robles & Alva Myrdal: 40th Anniversary of receiving the Nobel Peace Prize (December 14, 2022).
- Meeting of the Secretary-General of OPANAL with Ingeborg Denissen, Director of the New Technologies and Arms Control area, Department of Security Policies of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands (January 16, 2023).

- Meeting of the Secretary-General with Alexandra Bell, Deputy Assistant to the Office of Strategic Stability and Deterrence of the Directorate of Arms Control, Verification and Compliance of the United States Department of State (January 24, 2023).
- Visit of His Excellency Amb. Mario Adolfo Búcaro Flores, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Guatemala, at the headquarters of OPANAL (February 15, 2023).
- Meeting of the Secretary-General with Dr. Laura Beatriz Moreno Rodríguez, Director General of the Diplomatic Historical Collection of the S.R.E. (February 23, 2023).
- Meeting of the Secretary-General with Mr. Antonio Campuzano Rosales, Secretary-General of the Pan American Institute of Geography and History (IPGH) (February 24, 2023).
- Session on Nuclear Disarmament given by the OPANAL Secretariat for students of the Specialization in Diplomatic Studies at Tecnológico de Monterrey (March 3, 2023).
 Presentation of the Secretariat in virtual mode.
- Second meeting of the Working Committee of the Conference on the Establishment of a Zone Free of Nuclear Weapons and Other Weapons of Mass Destruction in the Middle East (March 15-17, 2023, at the United Nations Headquarters in New York). In-person participation, International Relations Officer Martha Mariana Mendoza Basulto.
- In-person workshop "The Future of Nuclear Weapons, Statecraft, and Deterrence after Ukraine" (April 4, 2023, at the University of Pennsylvania's Perry World House), Inperson participation, Research and Communication Officer Alain Ponce Blancas.
- Meeting of the Secretary-General with H.E. Mr. Mauro Vieira, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Brazil (April 27, 2023).
- Third Boot Camp: Fellowship "Arms Control Negotiation Academy" Harvard University (May 8-12, 2023 in Reykjavik, Iceland). In-person participation, Research and Communication Officer Alain Ponce Blancas.
- Course "International Nuclear Safeguards Policy" organized by the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL) and the James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies

(CNS) of the Middlebury Institute of International Studies. In-person participation, International Relations Officer Martha Mariana Mendoza Basulto.

- 2023 meeting of the European Leadership Network's (ELN) Younger Generation Leaders Network on euro-Atlantic Security (YGLN), (26-29 June, 2023, Vienna). Inperson participation, Research and Education Officer Natalia Zhurina.
- Meeting of the Secretary-General with H.E. Dr. Paul Byam, Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Ambassador and Director of the Bilateral Relations Division of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and CARICOM of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago (May 15, 2023).
- Secretariat meeting with the regional delegation of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) (27 April 2023).
- Participation of the Secretary-General in the Seminar "The Crisis of the Nuclear Disarmament and Arms Control Regimes and the Role of the New Agenda Coalition", organized by the Government of Brazil, the Alexandre de Gusmão Foundation (FUNAG) and the NGO Pugwash Conference on Science and World Affairs, chaired by Ambassador Sergio Duarte, former United Nations High Representative for Disarmament Affairs (June 20, 2023, Brasilia).
- Symposium "Nuclear Non-Proliferation and Security for Women in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) in Latin America and the Caribbean", organized by the James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies (CNS) of the Middlebury Institute of International Studies in Monterey and the Institute of Energy and Nuclear Research in Brazil (June 19-23, 2023, São Paulo). In-person participation, International Relations Officer Martha Mariana Mendoza Basulto.
- Meeting of the Secretary-General with Ms. Oksana Dramaretska, Ambassador of Ukraine to Mexico (June 1, 2023).
- Meeting of the Secretariat with the Diplomatic Historical Heritage. Proposal for collaboration between the two institutions (June 20, 2023).

- Regional Workshop in Bishkek on Strengthening the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Regime (September 6-9, 2023 in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan). In-person participation, Research and Education Officer Natalia Zhurina.
- Meeting of the Secretary-General with Ambassador Tatjana Conić, Ambassador of Serbia to Mexico (July 7, 2023).
- Meeting of the Secretary-General with Ambassador Huh Tae-wan, Ambassador of the Republic of Korea to Mexico (August 9, 2023).
- Meeting of the Secretary-General with Ambassador María Teresa Mercado Pérez, Director General of the Matías Romero Institute (August 14, 2023).
- Meeting of the Secretary-General with Ambassador Joel Hernández García, Undersecretary for Multilateral Affairs and Human Rights, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mexico (August 14, 2023).
- Participation of the Secretary-General in the opening of the exhibition "All You Treasure; for a World Free of Nuclear Weapons" Soka Gakkai of Mexico at the Mora Institute (July 11, 2023).
- Inauguration of the photographic exhibition "The Treaty of Tlatelolco and its universalization in Latin America and the Caribbean" and academic presentation of the Secretariat at the Autonomous University of Xochimilco (August 28, 2023).
- Participation of the Secretary-General in the opening of the exhibition "All You Treasure; for a world free of nuclear weapons" Soka Gakkai of Mexico in Guadalajara and discussion group with students of the International Relations career of the University of Guadalajara (September 8, 2023).
- Academic presentation and discussion group with students of the International Relations career of the National Autonomous University of Mexico and guided tour of the OPANAL headquarters (September 14, 2023).

IV. Administrative and Financial Affairs

a. Status of Collection of Contributions

During each of its meetings, the Council was informed of the state of the financial situation as well as the collection of assessed contributions through the reports of the Committee on Contributions and Administrative and Budgetary Matters (CCAAP). The relevant information was updated as the payment of contributions was recorded in the Agency's bank accounts (Inf.02/2023).

It is important to underline that, as a result of the contributions made by Member States during the 2023 fiscal year, the sustained support of the Government of Mexico to the payment of the rent and savings of the Secretariat, the financial resources to cover the budgetary expenses of the Agency for one year are already guaranteed.

b. Draft resolutions on budget and administrative matters

- At the XXVII Special Session of the General Conference, the Secretariat submitted five draft resolutions of administrative nature; one corresponding to the Budget and scale of contributions for the fiscal year 2023, another relating to the annual renewal of the Appointment of the External Auditor, the third relating to the Financial Statements and opinion of the External Auditor as of December 31, 2021, another on the Measures to support compliance with the financial obligations established by the Treaty of Tlatelolco and the last one relating to financial obligations, collection of contributions. These resolutions were adopted by Member States.
- Financial Statements and Opinion of the External Auditor's Report as of December 31, 2021, document CG/E/Res.09/2022.
- Budget and Scale of Contributions for the Financial Year 2023, document CG/E/Res.07/2022.
- Appointment of the External Auditor, document CG/E/Res.04/2022.
- Measures to support compliance with the financial obligations established by the Treaty of Tlatelolco CG/E/Res.06/2022.
- Financial obligations of Member States Status of Collection of Contributions CG/E/Res.05/2022.

c. OPANAL Headquarters

According to Resolution CG/E/Res.08/2022 - Headquarters of OPANAL, adopted at the last session of the General Conference, the Council was instructed to continue with the analysis and discussion for the need of permanent headquarters of the Agency.

It is worth noting that, thanks to the relevant special contributions of the Government of Mexico, which has regularly deposited additional amounts of MXN 1 million in the Agency's account, with which it has been possible to meet the rental payment of the property from July 2020 until now and are also sufficient to face the rental payment until April 2024. The host country is also thanked for its continued efforts to provide options for a permanent headquarters for the Agency.

d. Challenges associated with information and communication technologies.

At its 160th meeting, the CCAAP instructed the Secretariat to: (i) enter into contact with the company providing the server and email service and carry out a diagnosis of the identified failures; (ii) to officially consult the delegations of the Member States regarding the contact e-mail addresses that should be included in the directory of its database; (iii) explore alternatives for the circulation of documentation that do not overload emails – such as, for example, availability on the website or in the cloud for download.

For its part, the Secretariat requested all Member States to update their emails.

At its 161st Session, the Commission resolved to instruct the Secretariat to (i) contract as soon as possible a professional computer advisory service; (ii) change the server, in order to fix as soon as possible the problems related to the sending of emails, allow backup in the cloud of the relevant documentation of the Agency and create an opportunity for reformulation of the website; (iii) evaluate the Internet service contract, taking into account the needs derived from the new reality of meetings with remote connection; (iv) change the computer equipment, after carrying out a costbenefit analysis between purchase and lease (leasing).

The Agency's Secretariat received proposals from three different companies offering Information Technology (IT) services, namely: Grupo Serviintegti, AVANTIKA and Frixer.

The Secretariat contracted the company AVANTIKA for its implementation plan as mandated by the Commission at its meetings.

As of today, the Secretariat already has 5 new Lenovo computers and a Lenovo V15 laptop in operation, with the respective Microsoft 365 Business Licenses and the necessary antiviruses for all the computer equipment at the headquarters.

The Hosting Service - 100gb of Disk Space, Email - WordPress - SQL Database, SSL Certificate, Backup & Security Package and Migration of all existing information.

With a technical support system, which includes more than 25 hours per month for any matter related to:

o Access

- Email solutions (account creation, password change, setup, etc.)
- o Office Operational Questions
- Windows Error (User)
- o Error or inquiries of standard applications
- o Printer Issues
- User-level network, access, or internet issues.

On the other hand, a system of antennas and cabling was installed at OPANAL's headquarters in order to optimize internet speed.

In the current situation and thanks to the donation of the Government of Brazil, it was decided to maintain some of the equipment that has a useful life of approximately two years, in order to generate savings for the purchase of more equipment and allocate them to a new website of the Agency which would comply, in addition to informing and communicating, with a safe place where Member States can consult the documents issued by OPANAL.

e. Composition of the OPANAL Secretariat

The Council noted, in accordance with the Standards to Govern the Operations of the Secretariat Rules Governing the Functioning of the Secretariat (Doc.CG/E/666) – Article 37 "Register of Staff Members ", that during the year there were no changes in the composition of the OPANAL

Secretariat. This information is reflected in the document "Personnel Register" (CCAAP/02/2023) as follows:

- Ambassador Flávio Roberto Bonzanini, Secretary-General (international official elected by the General Conference for the period from January 1, 2020, to December 31, 2021, pursuant to Resolution CG/Res.13/2019) and re-elected for the period from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2025, pursuant to Resolution CG/Res.14/2021. Date of entry January 1, 2020 and of Brazilian nationality.
- Natalia Chreties Ceriani (local employee). Date of entry March 15, 2018, and of Uruguayan nationality.
- Martha Mariana Mendoza Basulto (local employee). Date of entry August 27, 2018, and of Mexican nationality.
- Alain Ponce Blancas (local employee). Date of entry May 2, 2019, and of Mexican nationality.
- Natalia Zhurina (local employee). Date of entry: July 15, 2019, and of Russian nationality.
- Israel David Ramirez Flores, General Services (local employee). Date of entry of October 18, 2010, and of Mexican nationality.

Anexo

Council meetings since its last report presented at the XXVII Extraordinary Session

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Meeting	Date	Participating Council Members	Participating Observer Delegations	Summary
341ª	07/12/22	Belize (<i>President</i>), Brazil, Guatemala and Nicaragua	Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Haiti, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Dominican Repúblic, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay and Venezuela	C/15/2022Rev.
342ª	07/02/23	Belize, Brazil (<i>President</i>), Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua	Argentina, Chile, Cuba, Dominica, Ecuador, Haiti, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Pera, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay and Venezuela	C/07/2023Rev.
343ª	09/03/23	Belize, Brazil, Guatemala (<i>President</i>) and Nicaragua	Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Cuba, Ecuador, Haiti, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Trinidad and Tobago y Dominican Republic	C/09/2023
344ª	18/05/23	Belize, Brazil, Guatemala, Honduras (<i>President</i>) and Nicaragua	Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Guyana, Jamaica, Mexico, Paraguay, Peru, Dominican Republic, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay and Venezuela	C/11/2023
345ª	06/07/23	Belize, Brazil, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua (President)	Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Haití, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Per, Dominican Republic, Trinidad y Tobago y Venezuela	C/13/2023
346 ^a	18/09/23	Belize (<i>President</i>), Brazil, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua	Argentina, Barbados, Bolivia, Chile, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guyana, Haití, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Dominican Republic, Uruguay y Venezuela	C/15/2023
347ª	18/10/23	Belize (<i>President</i>), Brazil, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua	Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, República Dominicana, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay and Venezuela	C/17/2023