OPANAL

Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean

General Conference

Appointment of the External Auditor

In accordance with Article 46 of the Financial Regulations[1], the Office Vieyra Mota y Asociados S.C., was appointed by Resolution CG/E/Res.08/2018 of the XXVI Special Session of the General Conference as External Auditor of the Agency for the period of the year 2019, renewable. The Secretariat, after consulting the Committee on Contributions and Administrative and Budgetary Matters – CCAAP, at its 141° Meeting on 25 June 2019, proposes to hire the Office Vieyra Mota y Asociados S.C., as External Auditor of OPANAL for the period from 1st January 2020 to 31 December 2020.

The Secretariat considers that the Office Vieyra Mota y Asociados S.C., office of public accountants, based in Mexico City, that has extensive experience in auditing companies in Mexico, in addition to having experience in auditing International Organizations, such as the Pan American Institute of Geography and History – IPGH, will be able to review, with authority and freedom, the accounts of OPANAL in order to certificate them, in accordance with the Financial Regulations.

It is understood that extra-budgetary resources should not be subject to external audit. They currently comprise the amounts granted by the Government of the Netherlands for the Agency's internship program earmarked for Caribbean countries and the resources transferred by the Government of Mexico for specific activities and projects. These resources were subject of specific agreements with the aforementioned States to which the OPANAL Secretariat reports directly, informing the Committee on Contributions and Administrative and Budgetary Matters – CCAAP and Council.

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[1] Inf.01/2019

The Office Vieyra Mota y Asociados S.C. has confirmed, by letter of proposal of audit services, that its work will be in accordance with the provisions stablished in the Financial Regulations as well as the Rules that Regulate the Secretariat Functioning[2].

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[2] CG/E/666