



General Conference

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Resolution

Internship Programmes at the OPANAL Secretariat

The General Conference,

Underlining the imperative need to continue contributing to the training of specialized cadres in the region, in the field of nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation, as well as in the work and functioning of international organizations;

Recognizing the increasing academic training and professional experience of the candidates who apply biannually to the Internship Programmes;

Highlighting the aspiration to maintain gender equality in the OPANAL Secretariat;

Highlighting the important work of young professionals who support the work of the Agency, and the need for these activities to continue to be remunerated;

Recalling with appreciation the unanimous adoption of Resolution CG/Res.03/2021, through which for the first time it was decided to “*support the interns with monthly amount of MXN 1000 as incentive and recognition of their constant work during their period at OPANAL*”;

Considering that since 2023 the Internship Programme for OPANAL Member States which are also members of the Caribbean Community – CARICOM has reduced its scope and impact due to the interruption of extrabudgetary funds allocated for this purpose;

Resolves:

1. **To thank** the Member States that have submitted nominations to participate in the two modalities of the Internship Programme.
2. **To continue** supporting the interns with MXN 1000 per month as encouragement and recognition of their constant work during their period at OPANAL.

3. **To instruct** the Secretary-General to carry out negotiations with potential donors with the objective of obtaining sources of financing to guarantee the permanence of the Internship Programme for OPANAL Member States which are also members of the Caribbean Community – CARICOM, and to keep Member States informed about the implementation of this resolution.

4. **To invite** again Member States to promote and support the Internship Programme of the Agency and to submit nominations.