FINANCIAL SITUATION OF THE INTER-AMERICAN CHILDREN’S INSTITUTE

(Adopted at the Fourth Plenary Session, held on September 20, 2017)

THE DIRECTING COUNCIL,

RECALLING:

The concern of the Directing Council of the Inter-American Children’s institute (IIN), expressed in resolution CD/RES. 04 (91-R/16) on the financial crisis affecting the OAS, that the IIN could in the future find itself in a situation in which it could no longer count on sufficient resources from the Regular Fund to allow it to maintain its management ability and the support it offers to states of the region through implementation of programs approved in its action plan, and the mandates entrusted to it by the OAS General Assembly;

That the Regular Fund of the IIN’s budget for 2017, was for the amount of USD 713,000 suffering a reduction close to 33% compared to the budget for 2016 that was for the amount of USD 1,069,000;

That this reduction comes on top of the gradual budgetary reduction which through different channels have affected the operational capacity of the IIN in the past few years;

CONSIDERING:

Resolution AG/RES. 2912 (XLVII-O/17) “Financing of the program-budget of the Organization 2018”, approved by the General Assembly of the Organization of American States at its XLVII Regular Period of Sessions held in Cancun, Mexico in June 2017, resolution paragraph 3 of which mandates the General Secretariat to present for consideration of the General Assembly at its extraordinary period of sessions in October 2017, the Organization’s draft program for 2018 including an increase of 49% on the program budget authorized for the Inter-American Children’s Institute.

BEARING IN MIND:

The management report presented by the Director General of the IIN in (CD/doc. 03/17), which covers the period from November of 2016 to August 2017, and includes a financial report;
RESOLVES:

1. To note with satisfaction the resolution of the General Assembly of the OAS, which included in the 2018 program budget of the Organization, an increase of 49% of the IIN’s budget with respect to that approved in 2017, which will allow for recovery of the IINs budgetary capacity and hence which will permit it to recover the level of management capacity which it had in 2016 for the implementation of actions and programs in its plan of action and the mandates recommended by the General Assembly of the OAS.

2. To express appreciation to the Permanent Missions of the member states for the support received for this resolution of the General Assembly, and to express the wish that in the future as the general financial situation of the OAS permits, the IIN’s budget continue to receive increases, which will be translated into greater management capacity and which will support technical assistance to the member states for the integral protection of children and adolescents of the region.

3. To support the actions carried out by the IIN Director General’s office to minimize the negative impact of the budgetary reduction on the execution of the activities to which it is committed for 2017.

4. To instruct the Director General to continue to carry out fundraising activities complementary to the Regular Fund allocation to the IIN and to optimize the use of those resources, and to seek effective participation of the member states, combining efforts as far as possible, to continue obtaining the necessary resources to carry out the 2015-2019 Plan of Action.

5. To request the Director General to transmit this resolution to the General Secretariat and the Permanent Council of the Organization of American States.