



RESOLUTIONS
XIII MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
JUSTICE STUDIES CENTER OF THE AMERICAS

The JSCA Board of Directors met in Santiago de Chile on December 16, 2005. In attendance were Board members **George M. Thomson, Jaime Arellano, Lloyd Ellis, Douglass Cassel, Germán Garavano** and member-elect **Hebe Martinez**. By virtue of Article 13 of its Statutes and Articles 18 and 19 of its Regulations, the Board resolves:

1. To congratulate the Executive Director on the joint meeting that was held with the Editorial Committee of *Judicial Systems Journal* on December 15 of this year and to thank that body's members for attending and for the voluntary contribution made towards the institution's development.
2. To approve the Resolutions of the XII Meeting of the Board of Directors held in Jamaica on June 16 of this year.
3. To congratulate Dr. Hebe Martinez and Dr. Carlos Eduardo Caputo for their recent election to the Board during the XXXV OAS General Assembly and to welcome them.
4. To approve the Annual Report presented by the Executive Director, congratulating him for his work and highlighting the presentation made by Training Coordinator Mauricio Duce on the project "Strategies for and Perspectives on the Criminal Justice Sector in Latin America." The presentation focused on pilot projects implemented in Mar del Plata, Argentina and Cuenca, Ecuador and the *Report on Judicial Systems in the Americas 2004-2005*, which JSCA published this year.
5. To establish that in order to secure final approval for the 2005 Financial Report and 2006 Budget, the Executive Director must email the Board members a document containing disaggregated data that complements the original documents and presents a balanced budget for coming year based on the resources that the organization can reasonably expect to receive. The Executive Director is to send the information during the week of December 19-23 and the Board members are to submit their decision by Friday, December 31 of this year.
6. To state that in order to meet the objectives that were set at JSCA's inception and to allow the institution to continue to function, the Center must receive direct contributions from its member states that at least cover its basic operating costs and the generation of regional public goods. This will not limit the institution's efforts to capture funding from other sources in order to finance its plans and activities.
7. To request that Board members Thomson, Cassel and Arellano work to the best of their abilities to facilitate the process of obtaining contributions from the governments of the United States and Canada and to request that the remaining

Board members work with their respective governments to secure voluntary contributions.

8. To approve the agreements reached by the Executive Director with the following agencies and institutions:
 - University of Florida
 - Magistrate's Council of the Autonomous City of Buenos Aires
 - Fundación Carolina (Argentina)
 - Vice-Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Bolivia
 - Attorney General's Office of the Republic of Bolivia
 - Superior Court of the State of Zacatecas
 - Public Prosecutor's Office of Peru
 - Government, Superior Court of Justice and Public Prosecutor's Office of the Province of Córdoba (with INECIP)
9. To discuss the location and date of the XIV Meeting of the Board of Directors during the first quarter of the coming year. The members will consider meeting at the VI Meeting of Ministers of Justice and Ministers or Attorneys General of the Americas (REMJA), which will be held April 24-26, 2006 in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.