

**RESOLUTIONS OF THE XXXVII SESSION OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
JUSTICE STUDIES CENTER OF THE AMERICAS**

The Meeting of the Board of Directors was held on 21 June 2019 in Buenos Aires, Argentina and attended by Board members Daniel Petrone (President), Margarita de Hegeus, Jenny Murphy, Patricia Perez and Leonidas Rosa. By virtue of Article 13 of its Statutes and Articles 18 and 19 of its Regulations, the Board hereby resolves:

1. To officially welcome new Board members Jenny Murphy of the United States and Patricia Perez of Chile.
2. The Executive Director reports on the situation of Board member Alexis Mera of Ecuador, matter about which he has kept the President verbally informed, based on public information from open sources (Internet) which emerged regarding criminal investigations involving Board member Alexis Mera in Ecuador. On June 1st, 2019, Mr. Alexis Mera has been charged by the Public Prosecutor's Office of Ecuador. This means that he has been informed before a court that a criminal investigation has been undertaken against him for the crime of bribery by allegedly abusing his office as public servant (former legal counsel to the Presidency during the administration of President Rafael Correa) and that the court with jurisdiction in this matter has been asked to hold him in pretrial detention, which was ordered and then appealed by Mr. Mera's attorney.

The Board takes note of the situation and charges the Executive Director to submit a report to the consideration of the Office of the Secretary General of OAS, regarding the situation of Mr. Mera.

3. To take note of the Report on Activities and Financial Report for the first half of 2019 (January-June) presented and submitted to the Board members in their folders by Executive Director Jaime Arellano. Resolution on the Report will take place during the end of the year session, together with the consideration of the 2nd semester report.
4. To approve the audit of the institution's financial statements for 2018, which are contained in the report submitted by the external auditing firm. The Board agrees that the report on the audit of financial statements will be submitted to the Board members in digital format along with the text of the Resolutions of the Board of Directors.
5. To ratify the agreements signed by the Executive Director during the first half of 2019 ("Agreements" annex).
6. To thank Minister of Justice and Human Rights of Argentina, Dr. Germán Garavano, for facilitating the process of holding the meeting of the Board of Directors in Buenos Aires.



7. To hold the XXXVIII session of the Board of Directors at JSCA's headquarters in Santiago de Chile in November or early December 2019. The Executive Director is asked to work with the President and Vice President to identify the best dates for the meeting and to submit the corresponding reports for review in advance.

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