

AG/RES. 334 (VIII-0/78)

GRANTING TO THE HOLY SEE THE STATUS OF PERMANENT OBSERVER
TO THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES

(Resolution adopted at the fifth plenary
session, held on July 1, 1978)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

CONSIDERING:

That resolution AG/RES. 50 (I-0/71) established the status of Permanent Observer to the Organization of American States and entrusted the Permanent Council with the task of determining the criteria and timeliness to give effect to and implement that provision;

That the Holy See has indicated its desire to obtain the benefits deriving from that resolution; and

That a number of OAS member states have expressed their interest, in light of the nature of the Holy See as a subject of international law, in granting it the status of Permanent Observer, on an exceptional basis; and

HAVING SEEN resolution CP/RES. 239 (324/78) approved by the Permanent Council on May 4, 1978,

RESOLVES:

To accord the Holy See, by virtue of its specific nature on the international scene, the status of Permanent Observer to the Organization of American States, on an exceptional basis.