

AG/RES. 996 (XIX-O/89)

PERMANENT-OBSERVER STATUS FOR THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES
IN THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES

(Resolution adopted at the ninth plenary session,
held on November 18, 1989)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

CONSIDERING:

That, in resolution AG/RES. 50 (I-O/71), the status of Permanent Observer in the Organization of American States was established and the Permanent Council was entrusted with the task of determining the criteria and timeliness by which to give effect to that decision and to implement it;

That the European Communities have indicated their desire to obtain the benefits deriving from that resolution;

That, through resolutions CP/RES. 52 (61/72) and CP/RES. 407 (573/84), the Permanent Council determined the criteria by which to implement resolution AG/RES. 50 (I-O/71);

That, in light of the nature of the European Communities and their legal and representational capacity at the international level, a number of OAS member states have expressed their interest in granting them the status of Permanent Observer, on an exceptional basis; and

HAVING SEEN resolution CP/RES. 527 (788/89), adopted by the Permanent Council on September 20, 1989,

RESOLVES:

To accord to the European Communities, in view of their special nature internationally and on an exceptional basis, the status of Permanent Observer to the Organization of American States.