SOUTH AMERICAN INFRASTRUCTURE AND PLANNING COUNCIL – COSIPLAN

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WORKING GROUP ON GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM AND COSIPLAN WEBSITE – “GIS/COSIPLAN WEB WG”

The Ministers of the South American Infrastructure and Planning Council – COSIPLAN:

Based on the Treaty of Brasilia, dated May 23, 2008, which created the Union of South American Nations and on the Decision of the UNASUR Heads of State and Government from August 10, 2009 which gave birth to the COSIPLAN;

Whereas the promotion of regional infrastructure integration is a milestone for COSIPLAN and the countries are willing to foster the integration and complementariness of policies and projects that encourage economic and social development in South America;

Whereas COSIPLAN is committed to the intensive use of Information Technologies, the application of methodologies, and the development of tools that guide the South American Territorial Planning and enable the design, implementation and operation of physical integration projects, as provided for in Article 4.2 and 4.f of the COSIPLAN Statutes.

Whereas Action 5.1 of the COSIPLAN Strategic Action Plan – PAE 2012-2022 provides for building a COSIPLAN website containing the objectives and contents agreed upon by the countries to become a tool ensuring the transparency of the activities undertaken within the framework of COSIPLAN;

Whereas Action 5.1 of COSIPLAN PAE identifies the need to provide COSIPLAN with a georeferencing tool that guide the South American Territorial Planning through the development of a COSIPLAN Geographic Information System, GIS.

Recognizing the advances made to date in these topics and, at the same time, the need to boost them even further by creating a specific working body;

Recalling that Article 6 of the COSIPLAN Statute, dated June 18, 2010, authorizes the creation of Working Groups in these thematic areas to provide support to the COSIPLAN and that the COSIPLAN will express itself through agreements, as laid down in Article 2 of the COSIPLAN Regulations.
Therefore, the COSIPLAN Ministers agree as follows:

Article 1) Create a Working Group on Geographic Information Systems and COSIPLAN Website, (GIS/COSIPLAN WEB WG)

Article 2) The Working Group will facilitate the undertaking of actions provided for in the Strategic Action Plan – PAE 2012-2022, the purposes of which are to build a COSIPLAN website on the Internet and provide the COSIPLAN with a Geographic Information System that should guide the South American Territorial Planning.

Article 3) Instruct the development of a Work Plan to attain the Working Group objectives and request the submission of reports on its activities at the COSIPLAN Meetings of Ministers, as specified in Article 5.c of the COSIPLAN Regulations.

Article 4) In order to fulfill its tasks, the GIS/COSIPLAN WEB WG is to take into account all the specific regulations and the provisions in force concerning these matters within the framework of the Union of South American Nations – UNASUR.
