

Chapter XIV

THE INTER-AMERICAN COUNCIL FOR
EDUCATION, SCIENCE, AND CULTURE

Article 98

The Inter-American Council for Education, Science, and Culture is composed of one principal representative, of the highest rank, of each Member State, especially appointed by the respective Government.

Article 99

The purpose of the Inter-American Council for Education, Science, and Culture is to promote friendly relations and mutual understanding between the peoples of the Americas through educational, scientific, and cultural cooperation and exchange between Member States, in order to raise the cultural level of the peoples, reaffirm their dignity as individuals, prepare them fully for the tasks of progress, and strengthen the devotion to peace, democracy, and social justice that has characterized their evolution.

Article 100

To accomplish its purpose the Inter-American Council for Education, Science, and Culture shall:

- a) Promote and coordinate the educational, scientific, and cultural activities of the Organization;
- b) Adopt or recommend pertinent measures to give effect to the standards contained in Chapter VII of the Charter;
- c) Support individual or collective efforts of the Member States to improve and extend education at all levels, giving special attention to efforts directed toward community development;
- d) Recommend and encourage the adoption of special educational programs directed toward integrating all sectors of the population into their respective national cultures;
- e) Stimulate and support scientific and technological education and research, especially when these relate to national development plans;
- f) Foster the exchange of professors, research workers, technicians, and students, as well as of study materials; and encourage the conclusion of bilateral or multilateral agreements on the progressive coordination of curricula at all educational levels and on the validity and equivalence of certificates and degrees;
- g) Promote the education of the American peoples with a view to harmonious international relations and a better understanding of the historical and cultural origins of the Americas, in order to stress and preserve their common values and destiny;