AG/RES. 501 (X-0/80)

BELIZE

(Resolution adopted at the sixth plenary session,
held on November 27, 1980)

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

HAVING EXAMINED AG/doc.1260/80 on the status of the nonautonomous
territories in the American hemisphere and other territories in the
Americas having ties with countries outside the hemisphere, and in
particular Section b (i) relating to the status of Belize;

RECALLING the principles established in the Declaration of La Paz,
as contained in AG/RES. 429 (IX-0/79) and in particular paragraph 4, in
which the General Assembly expresses "...its satisfaction with the
progress the nations of this hemisphere have made in achieving
independence, and reaffirms its determination to aid in the continuing
process of decolonization of the region so as not to defer the exercise
of the legitimate right of peoples to forge their own destiny"; and

NOTING that at its XXXV Session the United Nations General Assembly
adopted, without one dissenting vote, Resolution 35/20 on November 11,
1980, in which it reaffirmed the inalienable right of the people of
Belize to self-determination, independence, and territorial integrity,
and declared that Belize should become an independent state before the
conclusion of the XXXVI Session of the United Nations General Assembly;
and

BEARING IN MIND that Article 1 of the Charter of the Organization of
American States provides that the Organization is a regional agency of
the United Nations,

RESOLVES:

1. To endorse United Nations General Assembly Resolution 35/20 of
November 11, 1980, on the question of Belize.

2. To offer its cooperation, in keeping with the principles of
self-determination, to facilitate the constitutional evolution of Belize
as a sovereign, independent state of the Americas, in accordance with
United Nations General Assembly Resolution 35/20 of November 11, 1980,
and thereafter to assist the independent state of Belize to develop
harmonious and friendly relations with its neighbors and other states in
the hemisphere.