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National Councils of the National Scout
Organizations of the Interamerican Region.

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Proposal of reform of the Constitution of the Interamerican Scout Region

Dear sisters and brothers scouts:

The Interamerican Scout Committee (ISC) in use of the powers granted by the Constitution of the Interamerican Scout Region, has decided to undertake the procedure to reform the current Regional Constitution to update and adapt it to the present and future needs of our Region.

Therefore, as provided for the Article 43 of the current Regional Constitution, the Regional Conference in its meeting in Panama City, in November 2018, will have the power to approve, or not, the proposed reform of the Regional Constitution presented by the ISC and which is annexed to this circular.

This draft constitutional reform has been submitted to the review and approval of the ISC in the first ordinary session of the year 2018, held in the month of March, according to the process was sent to the Constitutions Committee of the World Scout Committee for review and final validation. This is within the extensive application of the Article VII, paragraph 3, literal d), of the Constitution of the World Organization of the Scout Movement.

This version, reviewed by the Constitutions Committee, is the annexed version now submitted for consideration of the NSOs members of the Interamerican Scout Region within 120 days prior to the execution of the 27th. Interamerican Scout Conference.

In accordance with the provisions of the multi-referred article 43 of the Regional Constitution, point b, the National Scout Organizations members of the Interamerican Region have a period of 60 days before the meeting of the Regional Conference in Panama, to formulate their contrapositions or amendments to the proposed text. This period will expire at 24 hours on Friday September 28, 2018, local time in Panama City, formal address of the ISC.

Counterclaims or amendments must be made in writing way and signed on behalf of the NSO member of the Region that makes, for some of their national authorities competent to perform such an act and shall be sent to the following e-mail: interamerica@scout.org . The ISC will contact organizations that provide response to clarify or gain a better understanding of the observations that may arise.

The final version with the counterclaims or amendments will be subsequently sent to each National Scout Organization in the Region. According to Article 43 of the current Constitution, the reform of the Constitution must be approved by a two-thirds majority of the votes cast. Although during the conference there will be an agenda item referred to the proposed changes in the Constitution, it is the intention of the ISC use the space to expand and more widely especially inform the process and the general aspects of the final version put to the vote, but no new amendment may be filed. We consider the 120 days determined for review is an important and necessary space for review time.

We warmly invite each of our National Scout Organizations in our Region to review the proposed constitutional reform, the purpose is to maintain our Regional Constitution in perfect alignment with the World Constitution.

Yours in Scouting



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Constitutional Changes Annex

Article 1

The purpose of the Interamerican Scout Region is to assist the World Organization of the Scout Movement in fostering the Scout Movement in the Interamerican Scout Region in accordance with the purpose, principles and method of the Scout Movement as defined by the Constitution of the World Organization.

Article 7

k) In appropriate circumstances determined by the Regional Scout Committee there may be a referendum by post or electronic communication to Member Organizations between meetings of the Regional Scout Conference when the same rules as voting, majority and in the event of a tie shall apply.

Article 21

The Regional Committee shall hold ordinary meetings at least twice per year at a venue decided by its members. Such meetings may be held using electronic communication technology. Virtual attendance of individuals is permitted.