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[Asociación de Diplomados Españoles en Seguridad y Defensa (ADESyD)]

ANALYSIS OF ELEMENTS FOR PARTICIPATION BY ASOCIACIÓN DE DIPLOMADOS ESPAÑÓLES EN SEGURIDAD Y DEFENSA (ADESyD) IN THE FRAMEWORK OF REGISTRATION BY CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN OAS ACTIVITIES

This document was prepared by the Department of International Affairs/Secretariat for External Relations to provide information to the member states of the Organization of American States (OAS) on the civil society organization *Asociación de Diplomados Españoles en Seguridad y Defensa (ADESyD)* [Association of Spanish Graduates in Security and Defense Issues].

The information contained in this report is in response to resolution CP/RES. 759 (1217/99), "Guidelines for the Participation of Civil Society Organizations in OAS Activities." This document includes a summary and a list of documentation presented by *Asociación de Diplomados Españoles en Seguridad y Defensa (ADESyD)* in accordance with the aforementioned Guidelines.

1. Background

Asociación de Diplomados Españoles en Seguridad y Defensa (ADESyD) is a nongovernmental organization established on September 20, 2011 in Madrid, Spain, to promote civic participation in security and defense issues from a comprehensive, multidisciplinary standpoint, incorporating a gender perspective into those issues.

ADESyD is a network comprising some one hundred members from the academic, diplomatic, and political sectors as well as government authorities and representatives, the media, and nongovernmental organizations.

ADESyD promotes security and defense culture by disseminating to its members and other interested persons information on those topics, through bimonthly newsletters featuring news on hemispheric security in the Americas, Europe, Africa, and Asia.

ADESyD participates in academic activities with other institutions, civilian and military centers, and associations in the region to strengthen the exchange of experiences and knowledge on security and defense in the Hemisphere and Spain's role in those issues. In 2012, it organized a summer course in collaboration with the *Colegio de Doctores y Licenciados en Ciencias Políticas y Sociología* to discuss "Security and Defense Policy in Times of Economic Crisis."

Spanish Women in International Security (SWIIS), created under the auspices of *ADESyD*, is an affiliate of Women in International Security (WIIS), a network of more than 7,000 organizations and women from 47 countries with a mission to advance women's leadership in peace and security issues. It has cooperated with WIIS to promote a gender perspective in those issues by participating in and organizing events and seminars. The organization recently collaborated with the International Studies Society (SEI) on the issue of "Sexual violence as a weapon of war," offering an analysis of international challenges.

ADESyD finances its activities through contributions from its board of directors and membership fees.

ADESyD applied for registration with the OAS on October 30, 2012.

2. Name, address, and date of establishment

Name of Organization: Asociación de Diplomados Españoles en Seguridad y Defensa (ADESyD)

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Date established: September 20, 2011

3. Primary areas of activity and contributions that could be of interest to the OAS

ADESyD wants to offer recommendations on the issue of security and defense by encouraging civic participation, exchange of experiences, and promotion of these issues in international bodies and networks that contribute to that end. The organization's primary areas of activity and contributions that might be of interest to the OAS include:

- Exchange of experience and information on security in the region through monthly newsletters to its members and participation in national and international academic conferences and activities on these topics; and
- Promoting women's leadership and the inclusion of a gender perspective in peace- and security-building through collaboration with other civil society organizations, think tanks, and academic institutions.

4. Identification of potential areas of collaboration with the OAS

ADESyD proposes to collaborate with the OAS in the following areas:

- Supporting the work and providing the Permanent Council's Committee on Hemispheric Security (CSH) with information on trends in security and defense in the region;
- Providing the Meeting of Ministers Responsible for Public Security with recommendations on implementing the Commitment to Public Security in the Americas;

- Sharing information about the security situation in the Americas with the Department of Public Security (DPS) of the Secretariat for Multidimensional Security (SMS), and in particular with the OAS Observatory on Hemispheric Security; and
- Supporting the Inter-American Commission of Women (CIM) to promote a gender perspective and full participation of women in economic, political, social, and cultural development for citizens.

5. Documents submitted by the CSO to the OAS

- Letter addressed to the Secretary General, dated October 30, 2012
- Articles of incorporation
- Statutes
- Mission statement
- 2011-2012 Activities Report
- 2011 Financial Statements (signed by Treasurer D. Héctor Sanchís Merino)