

**"C.I.S.S. RESOLUTION" NO. 28**  
**CHARTER OF BUENOS AIRES**

Considering:

That liberty and dignity, essential and inalienable attributes of the human personality, are inescapable principles of Social Security;

That Social Security programs, in the countries of the American Continent, have as their primary objective the raising of the living standards of their inhabitants, through economic development, the improvement of sanitary conditions and the progress of culture, that requires the necessary coordination of economic and health policy;

That the provision of work underpins the right to enjoy certain social benefits that exceed the minimum requirements of the states of necessity, since every worker, by contributing to the creation of national wealth, obtains the right to integrate their remuneration with a fair participation in the fruits of social and economic progress;

That Social Security, Welfare and Social Assistance regimes are of particular importance to obtain the different objectives that the modern concept of Social Security presents;

That in the implementation of Social Security programmes both the collaboration of all interested parties in the national field, and the cooperation between the different States in the international order are necessary.

Declares:

- 1.** That for the American peoples nothing should have greater primacy than seeking the well-being of man, safeguarding his liberty and dignity.
- 2.** That Social Security must be organised by a set of legal norms that guarantee, as an unescapable function of the State, the coordination of social, economic and health policy, in order to seek for:
  - a)** The balance between the principles of freedom and solidarity through the integration -in a *justicialist* sense, Argentinian expression used as this is the Charter of Buenos Aires- of individual rights with social rights, as well as the formation and root of a collective consciousness of social justice;
  - b)** The elevation of the economic living standards through the full employment and fair remuneration, for which natural resources must be used and production increased aiming for a greater technical improvement and better professional training;
  - c)** The elevation of the sanitary level by means of the comprehensive biological protection oriented to keep the population in the best health conditions and ability to work.
- 3.** That the action of the State, regarding Social Security, must be based on the right man has to be protected by society in the face of necessity, as well as on the right to well-being that is recognized for all workers as a consequence of their participation in the creation of national wealth.

- 4.** That the unity and plurality of means to achieve the objective of Social Security must be decided by each country, in accordance with the national reality, in line with internationally recognised principles.
  
- 5.** That it is necessary to ensure a determined participation and collaboration of the interested parties in relation to the elaboration, organisation and implementation of Social Security regimes, as well as protection of their rights through procedures and guarantees that ensure their rapid and effective recognition.
  
- 6.** That the broadest cooperation among the nations of the American Continent should be encouraged, in order to enable the solution of those Social Security problems that exceed their national possibilities.