STATEMENT AGAINST BULLYING

We, representatives of the National Scout Organizations of the Interamerican Scout Region, are aware of the existence of the phenomenon of bullying as a complex problem, which has a huge impact on human and social talent. Therefore, we commit to take as many actions are necessary in order to combat it in all its categories.

Every child and young person has the right to be respected and develop in a safe environment. Bullying is a violation of this basic human right.

We define bullying as any deliberate and consistent abuse, whether physical, verbal or psychological, including the use of technologies, among members of a group, without any type of exclusion, caused to a person with less power, led by another person with an increased power.

With support in the Scout Law and Promise, we are committed to safeguarding the physical and mental health of all members of our organization. We assert the right of every human being to develop in a safe environment in which to learn, teach or work facilitates the creation of ties of friendship and contributes in the realization of every youngster, boy and girl.

The cooperation of all members, young and adults, will help to overcome bullying. Tolerance, respect and courtesy will be important elements for everyone to understand the viewpoint and feelings of others, thinking before acting, achieving among others, promote the healthy development and active citizenship.

We, representatives of the National Scout Organizations, are committed to make efforts for early prevention of bullying through national actions and to promote these within the units in which children and young people who are part of our National Scout Organization are involved, address the complaints, confront the known risks and promote protective factors, thus ensuring healthy relationships and the rights of our childhood and youth.

