

**GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH 2018
ARCHIVES' RESEARCH REPORT**

RESOLUTION NO.: 2018-D098
TITLE: Increase Focus and Engagement in Latin America and the Caribbean
PROPOSER: Mr. Adam Lees
TOPIC: Strategy

Directly Related: (Attached)

(None)

Indirectly Related: (Available in the [Acts of Convention](#) database, searchable by resolution number)

2015-A020	Urge Episcopalians Be Informed of the Church's UN Consultative Status
2015-D033	Support Human Rights and Refugee Relief in Central America
2015-D058	Support Dominicans of Haitian Descent
2012-A020	Advocate Ending Travel Restrictions, Isolation, and Embargo Against Cuba
2009-A036	Commend and Encourage Efforts in Support of Haiti
2009-B031	Call for Reconciliation in Honduras
1985-D065	Encourage Relationships With the Churches in Central America

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RESOLUTION TEXT

- 1 *Resolved*, the House of _____ concurring, That the 79th General Convention of The Episcopal Church rejoice in the shared ministry and fellowship of the dioceses in Latin America and the Caribbean as well as our sister churches throughout Latin America and the Caribbean; and be it further
- 2 *Resolved*, That concerned that the Church's international policy and social justice work shows disproportionate focus on the Holy Land and larger Middle East region, the 79th General Convention of The Episcopal Church instruct the Executive Council and through the Council other such commissions, offices, and agencies of The Episcopal Church, particularly those that represent the church at the United Nations, to seek ways to build on the Church's official status at the United Nations to engage the Organization of American States, a regional sub-group of the United Nations and one of the oldest extant multi-lateral organizations, and its specialized organs such as the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and Pan American Health Organization and to find opportunities for partnership to advance mutual goals and mission; and be it further
- 3 *Resolved*, That a report on such engagement be included in the appropriate report(s) regarding The Episcopal Church's activities at the United Nations; and be it further
- 4 *Resolved*, That the 79th General Convention commend the work and generosity of all Episcopalians and Episcopal organizations supporting, ministering with, and empowering our brothers and sisters in Christ in Latin American and the Caribbean.

EXPLANATION

No explanation.