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To: Chairpersons, Executive Directors, International Commissioners and members of the National Councils of the Scout Associations of the Interamerican Region.

Panama City, Panama, 20 May 2010.

Convocation of nominations for the Youth of the Americas Award.

Dear friends,

I am pleased to send you information regarding the *Youth of the Americas* Award, which is conferred by the ISC, usually at the meetings of the Interamerican Scout Conference.

Criteria for the conferral of the Youth of the Americas Award

Youth of the Americas is the only award made by the Interamerican Scout Committee and is conferred at the Committee's discretion, in accordance with the following criteria:

- 1. The Award is made for outstanding services to youth.
- 2. The Award is given only to individuals or Scout Leaders who have made an outstanding contribution at the international level, either regionally or subregionally. The Award is not intended for national level leaders, however meritorious, since each association has its own system of recognition for this purpose.
- 3. Leaders nominated for the Award should have had a major impact, in other words have been key players in the achievement of appreciable results for the organization at the regional or subregional level.
- 4. The Award should be conferred at an appropriate stage in the service of the candidates, in order to avoid recognition coming belatedly. On the other hand, it is considered inappropriate to make the Award to individuals who are still engaged in the early years of relevant service at the regional or subregional level.
- 5. The Award is not made to serving members of the Interamerican Scout Committee. They may be candidates only after they have ceased to be instrumental in the placing of the Award.
- 6. The Award is not made to individuals who are candidates for election to the ISC at the same Conference, since the regional body may not be perceived as displaying a preference for any particular candidate.
- 7. Awards are not made posthumously.
- 8. Ideally, no more than ten awards should be made in the period between Interamerican Conferences.
- 9. The Award should be made on a selective basis, avoiding indiscriminate conferrals that could detract from the esteem in which it is held.

10. The Award is made at each Interamerican Scout Conference to individuals upon whom it has been conferred and who are present. Candidates who are unable to receive their Award in person on that occasion may receive it through the national office of their association or, if they prefer, at a subsequent Interamerican Conference.

Submission of candidatures for the Award

The rules that have traditionally governed conferrals are as follows:

- 1. The Committee opens a period for the receipt of nominations in advance of each Interamerican Scout Conference. This period closes 30 days before the start of the Conference.
- 2. At the same time as the submission period is declared to be open, the Award criteria and the rules and date for submission are announced. This information is provided to all the National Scout Organizations of the Interamerican Region, the members of the ISC and the coordinators of the Committee's Networks and Task Forces.
- 3. Nominee presentations must be signed by the Chairperson, the National Chief Scout, the Chief Commissioner, the International Commissioner or the Executive Director of the corresponding Scout Association, by a member of the ISC or by the Coordinator of one of the Regional Networks.
- 4. The nominee presentation form must be sent with all the required data to the World Scout Bureau Interamerican Region, by e-mail <interamerica@scout.org>. Once the deadline for the receipt of candidatures has passed, the WSB-IAR will send all the forms to the ISC for review and decision.

The period for the presentation of candidates closes without possible extension on Wednesday 14 July 2010, at 24:00, Santiago, Chile time.

Yours in Scouting,

Raúl A Sánchez Vaca Executive Secretary, ISC Nombre completo de la persona propuesta / Nominee's full name:

COMITÉ SCOUT INTERAMERICANO INTERAMERICAN SCOUT COMMITTEE

PRESENTACIÓN DE CANDIDATO PARA LA CONDECORACIÓN JUVENTUD DE LAS AMÉRICAS NOMINATION FOR THE YOUTH OF THE AMERICAS AWARD

País / Country:
Fecha de nacimiento / Date of birth:
Fecha en que ingresó al Movimiento Scout / When the nominee first joined Scouting:
Profesión y ocupación / Profession:
Enviar esta ficha completa a la Oficina Scout Mundial – Región Interamericana: These form should be completed and sent to the World Scout Bureau – Interamerican Region:
Av. Ricardo Lyon 1085, Providencia, Santiago, Chile. Fax: (56 2) 225-75-61 — E-mail: interamerica@scout.org
Por favor adjunte una fotografía de la persona propuesta (tamaño pasaporte). Please enclose a photograph of the nominee (passport size).
Utilice hojas adicionales si requiere más espacio. Use additional pages if more space is required.
Responsabilidades actuales en el Movimiento Scout (nacionales, regionales, internacionales): Present scout responsabilities (national, regional & international level):

Servicios a la juventud en el Movimiento Scout (regional, internacional; cargos, actividades destacadas, fechas, etc.): Services to Youth in Scouting (regional, international; positions held, outstanding activities, dates, etc.):
Servicios a la juventud (en qué organizaciones, tipo de servicios, cargos, actividades destacadas, fechas, etc.):
Services to Youth (in which organizations, type of services, positions held, outstanding activities, dates, etc.):
¿Por qué razón esos servicios se consideran importantes como para ser reconocidos mediante la Condecoración Juventud de las Américas?: Why are the nominee's services considered outstanding and worthy of recognition by the Youth of the Americas Award?:
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Presentado por / Nominated by:
Cargo / Position:
Firma / Signature Fecha / Date