

INTER-AMERICAN DEFENSE BOARD

*Resolution adopted by the Third Meeting of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the American Republics at Rio de Janeiro January 28, 1942*¹

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WHEREAS:

1. In accordance with the action taken at the Conference for the Maintenance of Peace² and in conformity with the Declaration of Lima,³ a system of coordination exists between the American Republics which fortunately responds to the spirit of sincere collaboration animating the peoples of our Continent; and

2. This system, the results of which have heretofore been satisfactory, is, from every point of view, the most effective means on the part of the Western Hemisphere for meeting the present grave emergency in a coordinated and solidary manner,

The Third meeting of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the American Republics

RECOMMENDS:

The immediate meeting in Washington of a commission composed of military and naval technicians appointed by each of the Governments to study and to recommend to them the measures necessary for the defense of the Continent.

¹ For an announcement of the first meeting of the Inter-American Defense Board at Washington Mar. 30, 1942, see *Department of State Bulletin*, Mar. 28, 1942, p. 260.

² For text of a declaration adopted by the Inter-American Conference for the Maintenance of Peace at Buenos Aires Dec. 21, 1936, see *ante*, p. 300.

³ For text of a declaration adopted by the Eighth International Conference of American States at Lima Dec. 24, 1938, see *ante*, p. 534.