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OAS efforts eventually proved successful. Secretary Mora had taken over the role of the Special OAS Committee after mid-May and of the Bundy mission after May 25. He was succeeded in June by a 3-member Ad Hoc Committee, established by an OAS resolution of June 2 and charged with continuing the task of providing good offices to all parties for the purposes of achieving the establishment of a climate of peace and reconciliation that would permit the functioning of democratic institutions in the Dominican Republic.

The work of the Committee was to take three months of patient, sometimes painful, negotiations. The three members, Ambassadors Ilmar Penna Marinho of Brazil, Ramon de Clairmont Duenas of El Salvador and Ellsworth Bunker of the United States, first submitted a "Declaration to the Dominican People" on June 18, appealing for popular support for their proposal for a peaceful solution to the crisis through free elections, general amnesty, and a provisional government. On August 8,

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