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**XIII Meeting of Negotiations in the Quest for Points of Consensus of the Working Group to
Prepare the Draft American Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples**

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**MEETING OF THE SELECTION BOARD OF THE SPECIAL FUND TO SUPPORT THE ELABORATION OF
THE AMERICAN DECLARATION OF THE RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLE**

The Selection Board of the Specific Fund to Support the Elaboration of the American Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous People met on November 1st, 2010, to review and approve the list of Indigenous Representatives and leaders who are beneficiaries of the Specific Fund to take part at the XIII Meeting of Negotiations in the Quest for Points of Consensus. The Meeting of Negotiations will take place at OAS Headquarters (Simón Bolívar Room, 17th and Constitution Ave, Washington, DC) from January 18 to 20, 2011. It will be preceded by the meeting of the Indigenous Peoples' Caucus, to be held on January 15 to 17, 2011.

The Board was composed of Ambassador Guillermo Cochez, Permanent Representative of Panama to the OAS and Chair of the Working Group; and four regional representatives: Jaime Enrique Arias, Representative for South America; Carlos Chex, Representative for Central America; Charles Williams, representative for the Caribbean and Rex Lee Jim, representative for North America. There was also the Vicepresident and the Secretary of the Working Group. Furthermore, members of the staff of the Department of International Law were acting as technical secretariat of the Selection Board.

The Board adopted its decisions in accordance with the OAS Permanent Council resolution CP/RES. 951 (1691/09) which regulates the Specific Fund to Support the Elaboration of the American Declaration of Rights for Indigenous People. After considering all the nominations submitted by the indigenous organizations of the OAS member states, and from a total of 96 postulations received, the Board selected the following 79 candidates who sent their applications complete and within the deadline:

Argentina: Natalia Silvina Sarapura, among three candidates

Barbados: Damon Gerard Corrie, only applicant

Belize: Anita Felicia Tzec, among two candidates

Bolivia: Alejandro Nestor Chipana Yahuita, among five candidates

Bolivia: Julia Damiana Ramos Sánchez, among five candidates

Brazil: Domilto Inaruri Karajá, only applicant

Canada: Ronald Joseph Lameman, among six candidates

Costa Rica: Alancay Morales Garro, among three candidates

Chile: Magdalena Choque Blanco, among four candidates

Colombia: Emilio Conda Cruz, among two candidates

Ecuador: Raúl Clemente Ilaquiche Licta, among seven candidates

Ecuador: Teresa Jimbicti Pandama, among seven candidates

El Salvador: Jesús Amadeo Martínez Guzmán, among two candidates

United States: Liselote Naniki Reyes Ocasio, among three candidates

United States: June Lorenzo, among three candidates

Guatemala: Rigoberto Antonio García Maldonado, among six candidates

Guatemala: Norma Isabel Sactic Suque, among six candidates

Guyana: George Aubrey Norton, only applicant

Honduras: Miriam Miranda, among six candidates

Mexico: Adelfo Regino Montes, among three candidates

Nicaragua: Maria Hazel Law Blanco, among five candidates

Panama: Héctor Huertas González, among three candidates

Paraguay: Vidal Servin García, among two candidates

Peru: Heraclio Hugo Tacuri Huamani, among nine candidates

Peru: Antolin Huascar Flores, among nine candidates

Dominican Republic: Clenis Tavárez María, only applicant

Saint Vincent and the Granadines: Zoila Maria Ellis, only applicant

Suriname: Eveline Moesijem Monsanto, only applicant

Trinidad & Tobago: Marissa Mohamed, only applicant

Uruguay: Mónica Michelena, only applicant

Venezuela: Nelson Ismael Pérez Rendón, only applicant

The Selection Board also decided that the Specific Fund will cover the participation costs of the four regional representatives: Carlos Chex, representative of the Central America; Charles Williams, representative of the Caribbean; Rex Lee Jim, representative of North America and Jaime Enrique Arias Arias, representative of South America.

The selected representatives will be required to confirm their participation to the XIII Meeting of Negotiations in the Quest for Points of Consensus in writing, by Friday, November 5th, 2010. In case we do not receive written confirmation, the application will be rejected and a different candidate will be selected.

Absence at the event without justified reason will obligate participants to make up for the costs incurred in the purchase of their airline tickets and hotel reservations.

Selected representatives will be contacted directly by the Department of International Law of the OAS to facilitate their travel arrangements.

Finally, we call your attention on the fact that the sessions are open to the general public. Thus, we respectfully request to the representatives financing their own participation to be registered with Veronica Alonso (valonso@oas.org) in order to be able to gain access to the meeting rooms.

Sincerely,

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