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INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION OF WOMEN

CIM/DEC. 6 (XXXV-O/10)

**DEATH OF THE FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE ARGENTINE REPUBLIC,
MR. NÉSTOR CARLOS KIRCHNER**

(Adopted at the third plenary session, held on November 3, 2010)

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES OF THE INTER-AMERICAN
COMMISSION OF WOMEN,

MOVED by the death, on October 27, 2010, of Mr. Néstor Carlos Kirchner, President of the
Argentine Republic between 2003 and 2007; and

RECOGNIZING the key role played by former President Kirchner in the restoration and
consolidation of democracy in his country, as well as his undeniable influence in the Hemisphere as a
tireless defender of women's rights, democratic values, integration, peace in the Americas, and human
rights,

CONVEYS its condolences to the people and Government of the Argentine Republic, as well as
to President Cristina Fernández de Kirchner, at this difficult moment for her as Head of State and wife of
former President Kirchner, with the solidarity of the women of the Hemisphere with her, the first woman
in Argentina to be elected to the office of President by popular vote, and

EXPRESSES its deep sorrow at the irreparable loss, for both his country and the Hemisphere, of
Mr. Néstor Carlos Kirchner.



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CIM/DEC. 7 (XXXV-O/10)

CONGRATULATIONS TO BRAZIL ON ITS ELECTORAL PROCESS

(Adopted at the third plenary session, held on November 3, 2010)

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION OF WOMEN,

CONGRATULATES the people and Government of Brazil on the electoral process conducted in accordance with their democratic institutions,

CONVEYS its most sincere congratulations to the President-elect, Dilma Rousseff, the first woman ever to be elected President of Brazil, on her election for 2010-2014, and

RECOGNIZES that her election signifies a major step forward in women's political representation in the Hemisphere and is convinced that her policies and programs for advancing the rights of women will set an example for the Americas.



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CIM/DEC. 8 (XXXV-O/10)

CONGRATULATIONS TO COSTA RICA ON ITS ELECTORAL PROCESS

(Adopted at the third plenary session, held on November 3, 2010)

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION OF WOMEN,

CONGRATULATES the people and Government of Costa Rica on the electoral process conducted in accordance with their democratic institutions,

CONVEYS its most sincere congratulations to President Laura Chinchilla Miranda, the first woman to be elected President of the Republic of Costa Rica, who took office on May 8, 2010, and

RECOGNIZES that her election constitutes a major step forward in women's political representation in the Hemisphere and is convinced that her policies and programs will strengthen women's human rights in the Americas.



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CIM/DEC. 9 (XXXV-O/10)

CONGRATULATIONS TO TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO ON ITS ELECTORAL PROCESS

(Adopted at the third plenary session, held on November 3, 2010)

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION OF WOMEN,

CONGRATULATES the people and Government of Trinidad and Tobago on the electoral process conducted in accordance with their democratic institutions,

CONVEYS its most sincere congratulations to Prime Minister Kamla Persad-Bissessar, the first woman to be elected to that position in Trinidad and Tobago on May 24th 2010, and

RECOGNIZES that her election constitutes a major step forward in women's political representation in the Hemisphere and is convinced that her policies and programs for advancing the rights of women will set an example for the Americas.



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CIM/DEC. 11 (XXXV-O/10)

**DEATH OF THE HONOURABLE DAVID JOHN HOWARD THOMPSON
PRIME MINISTER OF BARBADOS**

(Adopted at the fifth plenary session, held on November 4, 2010)

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES OF THE INTER-AMERICAN
COMMISSION OF WOMEN,

DEEPLY SADDENED by the recent passing of the Honorable David John Howard Thompson,
Prime Minister of Barbados from January 2008 to October 2010, on October 23rd 2010,

RECOGNIZING the fundamental role that the Prime Minister played as a leader and a statesman,
as well as his tireless commitment to development, human rights and democracy in Barbados and the
wider Caribbean;

RECOGNIZING ALSO the late Prime Minister's active commitment to the protection of
women's rights and well-being and the promotion of their full participation in the political process;

CONVEYS its condolences to the family and friends of Prime Minister Thompson and to the
Government and people of Barbados, and the Caribbean Community (CARICOM), and

EXPRESSES its deep sorrow at the passing of Prime Minister Thompson, which represents a
great loss to his country, the wider Caribbean and the Hemisphere.



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CIM/DEC. 12 (XXXV-O/10)

SOLIDARITY OVER THE INCIDENTS CAUSED BY THE PASSAGE OF TROPICAL STORMS RICHARD AND TOMAS THROUGH THE CARIBBEAN AND CENTRAL AMERICA

(Adopted at the closing session, held on November 5, 2010)

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES OF THE INTER-AMERICAN
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RECOGNIZING that at times of natural disasters, women and children are more likely to face situations of vulnerability, marginalization, and physical, economic, and sexual violence; and underscoring the importance for gender mainstreaming to be incorporated into all disaster mitigation policies, plans and programs,

DECLARES:

1. Its solidarity with the Government and People in the Caribbean particularly Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Haiti, Jamaica, Saint Lucia and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines; and with Central America, particularly Costa Rica, which were directly affected by the passage of these tropical storms.
2. Its deepest sympathy to the Governments and people of all the countries of the Caribbean and Central America affected by the tragic loss of human life and the environmental and infrastructural devastation.
3. Its commitment to encourage the Member States of the Organization of American States (OAS) to coordinate regional and international efforts to provide urgent humanitarian assistance and to participate in recovery and reconstruction so that affected member states can receive immediate necessary support.



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CIM/DEC. 13 (XXXV-O/10)

**CONGRATULATIONS TO DR. ROSINA WILTSHIRE ON HER APPOINTMENT AS
CARICOM SPECIAL ADVOCATE FOR GENDER JUSTICE**

(Adopted at the closing session, held on November 5, 2010)

**THE THIRTY-FIFTH ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES OF THE INTER-AMERICAN
COMMISSION OF WOMEN,**

AWARE of the appointment of Dr. Rosina Wiltshire as the first Special Advocate for Gender Justice of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM), on the occasion of the International Women's Day, March 8th, 2010,

NOTING WITH SATISFACTION the pioneering contributions made by Dr. Wiltshire to gender equality and women's empowerment at the regional and international levels in her professional capacity as Member of the Sir Arthur Lewis Institute of Social and Economic Research of the University of the West Indies, the Resident Representative of the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) and the Resident Coordinator of the United Nations for Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean; and

RECOGNIZING that this historic appointment emphasizes the firm commitment of CARICOM to gender equality in legal and judicial processes and the elimination of violence against women;

DECLARES its heartfelt congratulations to Dr. Rosina Wiltshire on her appointment as the first Special Advocate for Gender Justice of the Caribbean Community and its commitment to support her in this significant role for women in the Americas.