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ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION OF WOMEN

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE CIM

VOTE

Under Article 10 of the Statute of the Commission, only principal or alternate delegates to the Inter-American Commission of Women shall be entitled to vote in the Assemblies. Article 18 of the Rules of Procedure of the CIM provides, "Members of the delegations shall be accredited by their respective governments by written communication to the Secretary General of the Organization of American States."

REQUEST FOR NOMINATIONS

As the principal delegates are aware, pursuant to existing statutory and regulatory provisions, the President of the Inter-American Commission of Women (CIM), Wanda Jones, wrote to the ambassadors, permanent representatives to the Organization of American States to notify governments of their eligibility for the posts of President, Vice President, and member countries of the Executive Committee of the CIM for the period 2010-2012 (Note No. 090-07/10 of July 7, 2010.

As of the date of preparation of this document, several nominations were received, which are listed below

NOMINATIONS RECEIVED

FOR PRESIDENT

Articles 14, 15, and 18 of the Statute of the Commission and the corresponding article of its Rules of Procedure, Article 22, establish that the Commission shall elect its President from among the principal delegates of the member states that are members of the Commission, taking into consideration the principle of equitable geographic distribution and that the President shall be elected by an absolute majority of the delegates that are members of the Commission.

It is also established that the election shall be held at the regular Assembly held in the year in which the President's term of office expires or at a special Assembly convoked for that purpose.

By note OEA00276 of February 12, 2010, the government of **Mexico** announced that it would nominate its Principal Delegate, María del Rocío García Gaitán, for the post of President of the Inter-American Commission of Women for the period 2010-2012.

On March 17, 2010, the Executive Secretary forwarded that information to the ambassadors, permanent representatives to the Organization of American States and all the principal delegates to the CIM. María del Rocío García Gaitán's curriculum vitae may be found in Appendix I

FOR VICE PRESIDENT

Article 18 of the Statute provides that the Vice President shall be elected at the same Assembly at which the President of the Commission is elected, in the same manner, and for the same term of office.

On March 16, 2010, by note OEA-45 the Government of **Argentina** nominated the Principal Delegate of that country to the CIM, Ambassador Magdalena Faillace, for the post of Vice President of the CIM for the period 2010-2012.

On March 23, 2010, by note 041/2010, the Government of **Barbados** nominated its Principal Delegate, The Honourable Irene Sandiford-Garner, for the post of Vice President of the CIM.

By note M12-OEA-6/295-10 of May 7, 2010, the Government of **Guatemala** announced that it would put forward its Principal Delegate, Minister Sonia Escobedo, for the post of Vice President of the Inter-American Commission of Women for the period 2010-2012.

On March 18, March 24, and May 14, 2010, respectively, the Executive Secretary forwarded that information to the ambassadors, permanent representatives to the Organization of American States and all the principal delegates to the CIM. The curricula vitae of the nominees may be found in Appendices II, III, and IV respectively.

FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

By note DM-DGPE-258-10 sent by the honorable Minister of Foreign Affairs and Worship of the **Republic of Costa Rica**, that country announced its intention to nominate its Principal Delegate to the CIM, Maureen Clarke Clarke, for membership of the Executive Committee of the CIM for the period 2010-2012.

On September 14 the Executive Secretary forwarded that information to the ambassadors, permanent representatives to the Organization of American States and all the principal delegates to the CIM.

http://scm.oas.org/pdfs/2010/CIM02836-1.pdf CV Irene Sandifor

http://scm.oas.org/pdfs/2010/CIM02836E.pdf CV Maria Del Rocío García Gaytan

http://scm.oas.org/pdfs/2010/CIM02836E1.pdf CV Sonia Escobedo