AGREEMENTS REACHED

Place: Padilha Vidal Room (GSB)  
Date: October 6, 2009  
Time: 8:30 to 14:00

Participants:

CIM Executive Committee 2008-2010:
- Laura Albornoz Pollmann, President (Chile)  
- Wanda K. Jones, Vice-President (United States)  
- Lorettta Butler Turner, Principal Delegate (The Bahamas)  
- Martha Lucia Vásquez Zawadzky, Principal Delegate (Colombia)  
- Patricia Wohlers Erchiga, Alternate Delegate (México)

Principal Delegates:
- Nilcea Freire, Principal Delegate (Brazil)  
- Sonia Escobedo, Principal Delegate (Guatemala)  
- MaYra Díaz Méndez, Principal Delegate (Costa Rica)

Delegations:
- Ann-Marie Layne, Minister Counsel, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Antigua and Barbuda  
- Maria Fabiana Loguzzo, Director of Women’s Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, International Trade, and Worship of Argentina  
- Ana M. Pastorino, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Argentina  
- Monique D. Vanderpool, First Secretary, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of The Bahamas  
- Viviane Rios Balbino, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Brazil  
- Cherie Nisbet, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Belize  
- Gisela Vaca Melgar, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Bolivia  
- Swathi Kappagatula, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Canada  
- Pedro Oyarce, Ambassador, Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Chile  
- Maricel Sauterel, Chief, Department of International Relations and Cooperation of the Women’s Affairs Office of Chile  
- Patricio Reinoso, Chief of Staff of the Minister of Chile
Pamela Albornoz, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Chile
Sandra Mikan, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Colombia
Karen Leiva, Head of International Relations and International Cooperation of INAMU
Maritza Chan Valverde, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Costa Rica
Irene Marr, Office of Global Women’s Issues, United States Department of State
Gianni Paz, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of the United States
Maria Cristina Drouet, Permanent Mission of Ecuador
Carolina Sánchez, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of El Salvador
Ingrid Jackson, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Grenada
Linsleyd Tillit, Director, Promotion and Participation of Women, Presidential Secretariat for Women’s Affairs of Guatemala
Elsa Samayoa de González, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Guatemala
Suze Percy Filippini, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Haití
Héctor Ortega, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Mexico
Julieta Blandón, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Nicaragua
Menitza Mandiche, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Panamá
Claudia Medina, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Paraguay
Giancarlo Galvez, Second Secretary, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Perú
Dayana Ureña, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Dominican Republic
Gil Gilbert, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Suriname
Michael Louis, Ambassador, Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Saint Lucia
Clenie Greer-Lacascade, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Saint Lucia
Frances Seignoret, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Trinidad and Tobago
María del Luján Flores, Ambassador, Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Uruguay
Graziella Reyes, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Uruguay
Tereza Arreaza, Alternate Representative, Permanent Mission of Venezuela

Permanent Observers
Marie-France Pagnier, Ambassador, Permanent Observer, Permanent Observer Mission of France

Invited Speakers
Gina Montiel, Manager, country Department Central America, Mexico, Panama and Dominican Republic, Inter-American Development Bank (IAB)
Cecilia Ramos, Executive Director for Mexico and Dominican Republic, Inter-American Development Bank (IAB)
Nora Gómez, Research FLACSO-Argentina

Other Invited
Marijke Velzeboer-Salcedo, Coordinator, Gender, Ethnicity and Health Team PAHO
Teresa Genta-Fons, Senior Attorney, Legal Vice-president, World Bank
Miosotis Rivas, Technical Secretariat of the Women COMMCA/SICA
Priscila Henríquez, Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA)
CIM Permanent Secretariat:
Carmen Moreno Toscano, Executive Secretary
Mercedes L. Kremenetzky, Senior Specialist

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Agreement No. 1  Approve the Summary Minutes of the First Regular Session of the Executive Committee, contained in document CIM/CD/doc.10/09.

Agreement No. 2  Request the Chair of the CIM to make the necessary arrangements with the General Secretariat to bring about the participation of the Commission’s delegates in the COMMCA Summit on Gender, Integration and Development, to be held in Costa Rica on December 8 and 9, 2009.

Agreement No. 3  Ask the Working Group to prepare the message to be conveyed containing guidelines regarding the Inter-American Year of Women, and ask the Executive Secretariat to prepare a concept paper to serve as a framework for commemoration of the Inter-American Year of Women, and to the countries, gender authorities, and subregional bodies involved in gender issues that define activities to be included in the complete schedule for the year.

Agreement No. 4  Carry out activities to commemorate the Inter-American Year of Women on the following dates in 2010:

a. Launch the celebrations in February 2010, on a date close to the meeting of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) and hold the next regular meeting of the Executive Committee of the CIM on the same dates;

b. As part of the activities scheduled for ECLAC’s “XI Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean,” to be held in Brazil in July;

c. Within the framework of the Meeting of States Parties of the MESECVI to be held in Guatemala, in September; and

d. During the Thirty-fifth Assembly of Delegates of the CIM, to be held in Mexico in November.

Agreement No. 5  Foster a strategy, during the Inter-American Year of Women, vis-à-vis the United Nations, for promoting the importance of combating violence against women, recalling that the Convention of Belém do Pará was the first legal instrument in the region to address violence against women.

Agreement No. 6  Use a modified version of the logo offered by Chile as an emblem for the celebrations; the delegation of Chile is sending a new version on October 13, 2009.

Agreement No. 8  Approve the preliminary draft agenda for the Thirty-fifth Assembly of Delegates of the CIM contained in document CIM/CD/doc.17/09 rev. 1; and request the Executive Secretariat to initiate the process of consultation regarding the agenda for the Thirty-fifth Assembly of delegates of the CIM with the delegates and governments as prescribed in the legal instruments of the CIM.

Agreement No. 9  Request the Executive Secretariat of the CIM to support preparations for the Thirty-fifth Assembly of Delegates of the CIM.

Agreement No. 10  Request the Executive Secretariat of the CIM to prepare a document evaluating implementation of the Inter-American program for the Promotion of Women’s Human Rights and Gender Equity and Equality (PIA).

Agreement No. 11  Request the Executive Secretariat of the MESECVI to prepare, within one month, a Report on the history of the MESECVI and on how it has developed over time, along with a diagnostic assessment of its performance. It should also mention all initiatives undertaken to raise funding.

Agreement No. 12  Hold a special meeting of the Executive Committee of the CIM to evaluate the performance of the MESECVI.

Agreement No. 13  Request the Executive Secretariat of the Inter-American Commission of Women (CIM) to contact the United Nations Statistical Commission, ECLAC, and CEDAW Committee of Experts with a view to enhancing the consistency and comparability of those organizations’ indicators of violence against women with those of the MESECVI.

Agreement No. 14  Request:

a. The Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR) to send the Executive Secretariat of the CIM any pronouncements it has made on cases of marital rape;

b. The Executive Secretariat of the CIM to put together an inventory of Latin American and Caribbean legislation on marital rape and to send it, together with a paper discussing the theoretic basis for its criminalization, to the delegate of The Bahamas in support of the bill on that subject currently being debated in her country’s Parliament. Contact the WHO, IOM, ILO, UNHCR, UNHCHR, and UNIFEM to identify areas of cooperation and funding for the MESECVI.

Agreement No. 15  Approve the budgetary execution through September 30, as shown in document CIM/CD/doc.18/09.