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Working Group to Prepare
a Draft Inter-American Convention against
Racism and All Forms of Discrimination and Intolerance

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Summary of the meeting of February 9, 2012

The Working Group met under the chairmanship of the Alternate Representative of Antigua and Barbuda to the OAS, Joy-Dee Davis, to consider the matters on the order of business, document CAJP/GT/RDI-192/11.

The following delegations took part in the meeting: Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Belize, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guyana, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Paraguay, Peru, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, and Uruguay.

1. Consideration of the following documents:

- Draft Inter-American Convention against Racism, Racial Discrimination, and Related Forms of Intolerance (CAJP/GT/RDI-179/11 rev. 2)
- Table Incorporating Proposals from Member States on the Draft Inter-American Convention against Racism, Racial Discrimination, and Related Forms of Intolerance (CAJP/GT/RDI-190/12)

The deliberations revolved around the document “Inter-American Convention against Racism, Racial Discrimination, and Related Forms of Intolerance” (CAJP/GT/RDI-179/11 rev. 2) and its corresponding table incorporating the proposals from member states on this document (CAJP/GT/RDI-190/12).

The Working Group approved Articles 1.2 and 1.3 and considered several proposals for Article 1.4, which were reflected in table CAJP/GT/RDI-190/12 rev. 1. The Chair presented a proposal for Article 1.4, which formed the basis for discussions surrounding it.

- Draft of a Legally-Binding “Instrument” against All Forms of Discrimination and Intolerance (CAJP/GT/RDI-180/11 rev. 2)
- Table Incorporating the Proposals of Member States on the Draft of a Legally Binding ‘Instrument’ against All Forms of Discrimination and Intolerance (CAJP/GT/RDI-188/12 rev. 1)

Argentina removed its *ad referendum* in paragraph 1.3 of the “Draft of a Legally-Binding Instrument' against All Forms of Discrimination and Intolerance” (CAJP/GT/RDI-180/11 rev. 2).

2. Other business

The Chair announced that the next meeting would be held on February 28, 2012. The delegation of Argentina requested that this date be changed as it coincided with a meeting of the Joint Working Group of the Permanent Council and CEPCIDI on Existing Mechanisms for Disaster Prevention and Response and Humanitarian Assistance. The next meeting was set for March 1, 2012.

The Working Group bade farewell to Minister Counselor Danilo González, Alternate Representative of Costa Rica.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.