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COMMITTEE ON JURIDICAL AND POLITICAL AFFAIRS

Working Group to Prepare

<u>a Draft Inter-American Convention against</u>

Racism and All Forms of Discrimination and Intolerance

Summary of the meeting of March 8, 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-194/12.

The following delegations participated in this meeting: Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Belize, Bolivia, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay, and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

- 1. Consideration of the following documents:
 - <u>Draft Inter-American Convention against Racism, Racial Discrimination, and Related Forms of Intolerance (CAJP/GT/RDI-179/11 rev. 3)</u>
 - <u>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) rev. 1)</u>

The Working Group approved Article 1.5 of Chapter I and Article 2 of Chapter II ad referendum of the delegation of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

In addition, 2 paragraphs of the Chair's proposal for paragraphs 1.4 of Chapter II were approved. They are included in the document entitled "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 rev. 2). The delegations discussed Articles 3 and 4 of Chapter II, the proposals for which are included in the aforementioned table.

- <u>Draft of a Legally-Binding "Instrument" against All Forms of Discrimination and</u> Intolerance" (CAJP/GT/RDI-180/11 rev. 3)
- <u>Table Incorporating the Proposals of Member States on the Draft of a Legally Binding 'Instrument' against All Forms of Discrimination and Intolerance (CAJP/GT/RDI188/12) rev. 1)</u>

Article 1.1 was agreed on, with the words "cultural identity" *ad referendum* of the Delegation of Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela. Article 2 of Chapter II was agreed on *ad referendum* of the delegation of Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

2. Other business

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.