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SPECIAL WORKING MEETING ON
STRENGTHENING COOPERATION WITH THE
INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT

March 15, 2018

Simón Bolívar Room
Organization of American States
Washington, D.C.

Pursuant to the resolution entitled “Promotion of International Law [AG/RES. 2909 (XLVII-O/17)], the General Assembly established the mandate to hold a working meeting which should include a high-level dialogue session to discuss, *“among other matters, measures that could strengthen cooperation with the International Criminal Court.”*

In the aforementioned resolution, operative paragraph 4 of section iii, on the International Criminal Court, reads:

“4. To express satisfaction at the cooperation in the area of international criminal law between the Organization of American States and the International Criminal Court; to urge the General Secretariat to continue to strengthen that cooperation and to mark the twentieth anniversary of the adoption of the Rome Statute in 2018; and to request the Permanent Council to hold, prior to the forty-ninth regular session of the General Assembly, a working meeting that should include a high-level dialogue session among the permanent representatives of all member states to discuss, among other matters, measures that could strengthen cooperation with the International Criminal Court. The International Criminal Court, international organizations and institutions, and civil society will be invited to cooperate and participate in this working meeting.”

ORDER OF BUSINESS

2:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. Remarks by the Chair of the Committee on Juridical and Political Affairs,
Ambassador Hugo Cayrús, Permanent Representative of Uruguay to the
OAS

Remarks by the Director of the OAS Department of International Law,
Dante Negro

- 2:15 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. High-level dialogue on the issue of measures to strengthen cooperation with the International Criminal Court and commemoration of the twentieth anniversary of the adoption of the Rome Statute:
- 2:15 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Presentation by the Deputy Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court, James Stewart
- 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Interventions by member states
- 4:00 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. Presentations by representatives of other bodies of the International Criminal Court, international and civil society organizations:
- Felipe Michelini
Member of the Board of Directors of the International Criminal Court's Trust Fund for the Benefit of Victims – videoconference
 - Antônia Pereira de Sousa
External Relations and Cooperation Officer
Registry of the International Criminal Court
 - Jorge Luis Cálix Espinal
Deputy of the National Congress of Honduras
Parliamentarians for Global Action
 - Michelle E. Reyes Milk
Regional Coordinator for the Americas
Coalition for the International Criminal Court
 - Christopher Harland
Legal Advisor
International Committee of the Red Cross
Regional Delegation for the United States and Canada
- 5:15 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Interventions by member states