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OAS DEPLOYS ELECTORAL OBSERVATION MISSION IN BELIZE

The Organization of American States Electoral Observation Mission (OAS/EOM) headed by Chief of Mission Frank Almaguer will deploy throughout Belize to observe the voting process for the March 7, 2012 General and Municipal Elections.

At the Mission's headquarters at the Best Western Biltmore in Belize City, today 16 electoral observers received training from the Elections and Boundaries Department and were oriented in observation methodology as well as the political context of this electoral process. On Election Day, observers will maintain presence in all six departments of Belize from the opening of the polls through the counting process.

The OAS/EOM in Belize is represented by observers from Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Barbados, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Guyana, Martinique, Mexico, the United States, and Venezuela.

Since its arrival in Belize on March 1st, the OAS/EOM has conducted extensive interviews with electoral authorities, government officials, political party representatives, members of civil society and the media.

The Mission would like to encourage the citizens of Belize to go the polls to exercise their franchise by choosing their representatives, mayors and town and city councilors.
