The Delegation of the European Union to the United States of America presents its compliments to the Organization of American States, Secretary General, Jose Miguel Insulza, and respectfully requests that the Permanent Observer Mission of the European Union join the Group of Friends of Belize and Guatemala.

As a long-time supporter of OAS adjacency zone activities, the European Union’s participation in the Group of Friends would further promote the objective for a peaceful resolution to the Belize-Guatemala territorial dispute.

The Delegation of the European Union to the United States of America avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Organization of American States, Secretary General, the assurances of its highest consideration.

Washington, 8 December 2014

Organization of American States
Washington, D.C.
The General Secretariat of the Organization of American States (OAS) presents its compliments to the Permanent Observer Mission of the European Union to the OAS and has the honor to acknowledge receipt of its note dated December 8, 2014, through which it requests to join the Group of Friends of Belize and Guatemala.

The Group of Friends of Belize and Guatemala was created in 2003 to provide political and operational support for the implementation of various activities contemplated in the Agreement to Establish a Transition Process and Confidence Building Measures between Belize and Guatemala, which was amended on September 7, 2005 and is still in force today.

The General Secretariat of the Organization of American States welcomes with great satisfaction the decision of the European Union to become a member of the Group of Friends at this critical time in the process, which requires more than ever the close support of the international community to find a peaceful and permanent solution to the long-standing territorial dispute between two sister nations.

The General Secretariat of the OAS avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Observer Mission of the European Union the assurances of its highest consideration and esteem.

Washington, D.C., December 8, 2014