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## CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURES BETWEEN BELIZE AND GUATEMALA

- ✓ Until the territorial dispute between Belize and Guatemala is resolved, the governments of both countries and all its inhabitants must respect the ADJACENCY LINE, which runs from south to north from the reference marker at Gracias a Dios in the south to the reference marker at Garbutt's Falls and from there to the reference marker at Aguas Turbias in the north.
- ✓ All persons residing to the west of the Adjacency Line must abide by the laws and respect the authorities of Guatemala, and all persons residing to the east of the Adjacency Line must abide by the laws and respect the authorities of Belize.
- ✓ Any Guatemalan or Belizean settler that carries out illegal activities in the Adjacency Zone or enters the Adjacency Zone illegally will be subject to a public trial to determine whether s/he is innocent or guilty of the criminal charges against him/her.
- ✓ All military and police patrols within the Adjacency Zone will be coordinated by both countries.
- ✓ Guatemalan citizens cannot settle illegally to the East of the Adjacency Line and Belizean citizens cannot settle illegally to the West of the Adjacency Line.
- ✓ The authorities of Belize and Guatemala shall, on their respective side of the Adjacency Line, destroy any goods or dwellings, once these have been determined to be illegal by the competent authorities. Illegal cultivations shall also be destroyed.
- ✓ The Organization of American States (OAS), through its Office in the Adjacency Zone, will assist the governments of Belize and Guatemala in monitoring the implementation of the confidence-building measures and, at the request of either government, will carry out verifications of incidents in the Adjacency Zone and report the findings to the respective Foreign Ministries.
- ✓ The OAS Office in the Adjacency Zone shall develop an information campaign on the Confidence Building Measures and promote projects and activities aimed at fostering good bilateral relations.