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## **INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION OF WOMEN**

CIM/RES. 257 (XXXV-O/10)

### **PLACE AND DATE OF THE THIRTY-SIXTH ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION OF WOMEN**

(Adopted at the second plenary session, held on November 3, 2010)

**THE THIRTY-FIFTH ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES OF THE INTER-AMERICAN  
COMMISSION OF WOMEN,**

**CONSIDERING:**

That the Government of Costa Rica, through its Principal Delegate, has offered to host the Thirty-sixth Assembly of Delegates of the Inter-American Commission of Women (CIM) in 2012;

**RESOLVES:**

1. To express its thanks to the Government of Costa Rica for its kind offer,
2. To hold the Thirty-sixth Assembly of Delegates of the Inter-American Commission of Women in Costa Rica, in November 2012,
3. To entrust the Executive Committee to follow up on this offer, in accordance with the provisions of Article 12 of the CIM Regulations, and
4. To entrust the Executive Committee of the CIM to take the necessary steps during preparations for the Thirty-sixth Assembly of Delegates so that the Assembly will take place over three days and will, to the extent possible, follow the same format and structure as the Thirty-fifth Assembly of Delegates.



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## **INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION OF WOMEN**

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### **MODIFICATION OF THE LEGAL INSTRUMENTS OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION OF WOMEN**

(Adopted at the second plenary session, held on November 3, 2010)

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION OF WOMEN;

CONSIDERING that the Executive Committee of the Inter-American Commission of Women (CIM) for the period 2008-2010, during its third regular session, agreed to initiate a process of modification of the legal instruments of the CIM in order to elevate them for the consideration of this Assembly of Delegates,

RESOLVES:

1. To adopt the amendments to articles 17, 18, 20 and 22 of the Statute of the Inter-American Commission of Women, as set forth in document CIM/GT/doc.9/10 rev.2 which is appended hereto, and which will come into effect as of this date.
2. To request the Department of Legal Services of the Organization of American States to prepare a draft of the Regulations of the CIM and the Regulations of the Assembly of Delegates in accordance with the modifications adopted to the CIM Statute and present them to the Executive Committee 2010-2012.
3. To entrust the Permanent Secretariat with the publication and distribution of the legal instruments in accordance with the decisions adopted by this Assembly.

## MODIFICATION OF THE LEGAL INSTRUMENTS OF THE CIM

Article 17

The Executive Committee shall include a maximum of three Vice-Presidents, determined by the number of candidacies, who shall be elected at the same Assembly at which the President of the Commission is elected, in the same manner, and for the same term of office, and taking into consideration the principle of geographic rotation. The Vice-Presidencies shall be filled by delegates from different geographic regions and shall have the same status within the Executive Committee. In the event that one of the Vice-Presidents assumes the office of President, she shall assume all the rights and duties of that office and shall serve until the end of the term.

Article 18

If the President should for any reason be unable to serve in her post, one of the Vice-Presidents shall replace her in the performance of her duties. The Executive Committee shall elect, within 90 days and by an absolute majority, a President from among the Vice-Presidents.

Article 20

In the event the offices of the President and the Vice-Presidents fall vacant simultaneously, the Executive Committee shall appoint by an absolute majority one of its members as Acting President, to serve until a new election is held. Within ninety days after the appointment of an Acting President, the Executive Committee shall convene a special Assembly to elect officers for both positions.

Article 22

The Executive Committee shall be composed of the President, a maximum of three Vice-Presidents and the Principal or Alternate Delegates of the five countries elected. The Executive Committee shall meet at the Headquarters of the Commission or in any member state of the Organization of American States at least twice a year.



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## **INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION OF WOMEN**

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**FOLLOW-UP MECHANISM TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INTER-AMERICAN CONVENTION TO PREVENT, PUNISH AND ERADICATE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, “CONVENTION OF BELEM DO PARA” (MESECVI)**

(Adopted at the fifth plenary session, held on November 4, 2010)

THE THIRTY-FIFTH ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION OF WOMEN,

GIVEN document CIM/doc.8/10, containing the report of the MESECVI, which states that the first Multi-lateral Evaluation Round was successfully concluded and that the second Multi-lateral Evaluation Round has been initiated, with the receipt of 28 responses from the States Party;

CONSIDERING:

The commitment of States Party to the adoption of the Follow-up Mechanism to the Implementation of the Inter-American Convention to Prevent, Punish and Eradicate Violence against Women, “Convention of Belem do Para” (MESECVI) in order to follow up and promote the implementation of the Convention, as well as to establish a system of technical cooperation;

Resolution AG/RES. 2544 (XL-O/10) of the General Assembly of the Organization of American States (OAS) “Follow-up Mechanism to the Implementation of the Inter-American Convention to Prevent, Punish and Eradicate Violence against Women, “Convention of Belem do Para” (MESECVI),” which takes note of the report of the Permanent Council of the OAS on the activities of the Mechanism (CP/CG-1812/10) and reiterates its invitation to the States Party and to those States that are not party to the Convention, to Permanent Observers, international financial institutions, civil society and the private sector to make voluntary contributions to the fund created specifically to finance the operation of the MESECVI;

RECALLING the commitment of States Party to continue strengthening the MESECVI in order to meet the new challenges and needs of countries in terms of violence against women in the hemisphere, and to continue implementing its recommendations; and

REAFFIRMING the commitment of States Party to the MESECVI as an instrument for measurement of the progress made by States Party in terms of the problem of violence, as well identification of the areas that need to be implemented by governments in order to improve and strengthen policies in the hemisphere,

RESOLVES:

1. To recognize the advances achieved by the countries of the hemisphere in the implementation of the recommendations formulated by the MESECVI and encourage countries to implement any pending recommendations, as well as to continue with efforts to publicize the work of the Mechanism.
2. To request Delegates to include in their national reports any actions and results obtained for the strengthening and diffusion of the MESECVI.
3. To take note of the results of the VI Meeting of the Committee of Experts (CEVI) and of the activity report prepared by the Technical Secretariat of the MESECVI.
4. To encourage the participation of States Party in the evaluation process of the CEVI through the support to their Principal and Alternate Experts.
5. To encourage the joint work of the national mechanisms of women, competent national authorities, national experts and civil society in the diffusion of the objectives, advances and results obtained by the MESECVI through its Multi-lateral Evaluation Rounds.
6. To thank the States Party and Permanent Observers for their support of the meetings and activities of the MESECVI (Conference of States Party, CEVI and Technical Secretariat) and for their financial and human resources contributions.
7. To thank the people and Government of Costa Rica for their support in the celebration of the VI Meeting of the CEVI, held in Santo Domingo de Heredia, Costa Rica, from August 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> 2010.
8. To thank the Government of Guatemala for their offer to host the III Conference of States Party to MESECVI, to be held in Antigua, Guatemala, during 2011.
9. To ask the Secretary General of the OAS, in accordance with the available financial resources and with the agreement of the Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Affairs (CAAP), to assign the human, technical, and financial resources needed for Inter-American Commission of Women (CIM) to continue supporting the implementation of the MESECVI.



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## **INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION OF WOMEN**

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### **VOTE OF APPRECIATION TO THE PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO**

(Adopted at the second plenary session, held on November 3, 2010)

THE ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMISSION OF WOMEN;

CONSIDERING:

That the Government of Mexico, reaffirming its commitment to the promotion of women's rights in the Hemisphere, offered to host for the Thirty-fifth Assembly of Delegates of the Inter-American Commission of Women (CIM) from November 3 to 5, 2010; and

That during the Assembly the support and the hospitality of the people and Government of Mexico have been constant,

RESOLVES:

- 1) To express its appreciation to the people and Government of Mexico for their generous hospitality and valuable collaboration to the success of the Thirty-fifth Assembly of Delegates of the Inter-American Commission of Women.
- 2) To offer its support to the full success of the management that Mexico will initiate with its Presidency during the period 2010-2012