

## SAINT LUCIA - General Elections November 21, 2011

## OAS and the Government of Saint Lucia Sign Agreement for Electoral Observation Mission

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The General Secretariat of the Organization of American States (OAS) and the Government of Saint Lucia today signed the Agreement of Immunities and Privileges for the OAS Electoral Observation Mission for the General Elections that will take place in the Caribbean nation on November 28.

At the ceremony, which took place in the office of the Organizations' Representation in Saint Lucia, the Representative, Anne-Marie Blackman, highlighted the importance for the Organization to join this nation in the electoral process. Representing the national government, was the Permanent Representative of Saint Lucia to the OAS, Ambassador Michael Louis; the Chief of Staff, Mr. Cosmos Richardson, and the President of the Electoral Commission of Saint Lucia, Mr. Kenneth Monplaisir.

The OAS Secretary General, Jose Miguel Insulza, appointed Dr. Rosina Wiltshire, a citizen of Barbados, as the head of this mission who will be accompanied by seven international observers from seven OAS Member States. Dr. Wiltshire is the First Caribbean Community Advocate for Gender Justice in the Caribbean Community; she has a doctorate in Political Science from Michigan-Ann Arbor University and is the author of several international relations publications.

At the end of the electoral process, the Mission will present a report to the Permanent Council of the Organization.