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Forty-fifth meeting of the Presiding Officers
of the Regional Conference on Women
in Latin America and the Caribbean

Santiago, 6-7 December 2010

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

I. BACKGROUND

The Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean is a subsidiary body of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) that brings together Government representatives to examine compliance with international and regional agreements on gender equality.

In consultation with the Government of Brazil, in its capacity as Chair of the Presiding Officers elected at the eleventh session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean, held in Brasilia in July 2010, it was agreed to hold the forty-fifth meeting of the Presiding Officers from 6 to 7 December 2010 in Santiago.

At their forty-fifth meeting, the Presiding Officers will consider the implications of the eleventh session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean and the Brasilia Consensus and plan their activities for the coming three-year period. They will also examine the process of implementation of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women) and receive presentations on progress in the implementation of the Gender Equality Observatory for Latin America and the Caribbean and of the projects being carried out by the Division for Gender Affairs of ECLAC.

II. ANNOTATED AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda

Delegations will have the following provisional agenda before them for adoption or amendment:

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Evaluation of the outcomes of the eleventh session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean
3. Report on the activities of the secretariat
4. Strategic planning of the main activities of the Presiding Officers for the coming three-year period
5. Analysis of the implementation of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women)
6. Adoption of agreements
7. Other matters

2. Evaluation of the outcomes of the eleventh session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean

The member countries whose representatives serve as Presiding Officers will report briefly on outcomes at the national level of the eleventh session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean.

The delegations will also report on the reception afforded to the Brasilia Consensus in each country and on the impact it has had among civil society organizations. The agencies of the United Nations system will then comment on those matters.

3. Report on the activities of the secretariat

The secretariat will report on the activities undertaken to begin implementation of the Brasilia Consensus and on its dissemination.

Reports will also be given on the progress of the Gender Equality Observatory for Latin America and the Caribbean and on the projects “Enhancing capacities to eradicate violence against women through networking of local knowledge communities”, “Improving quantification of women’s unpaid work in support of poverty eradication policies” and the project of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of ECLAC on the classification of time-use activities for Latin America and the Caribbean (CAUTAL) and national accounts. Member States will be invited to assess the feasibility of participating in those initiatives.

4. Strategic planning of the main activities of the Presiding Officers for the coming three-year period

The Chair of the Presiding Officers will present the guidelines for future activities and the member countries whose representatives serve as Presiding Officers will discuss the priorities that will steer those activities for the coming three-year period. The agencies of the United Nations system will report on activities they propose to undertake in follow-up to the Brasilia Consensus.

The member countries whose representatives serve as Presiding Officers will present the activities they are considering in order to ensure the implementation of the Brasilia Consensus.

The delegations will identify and agree upon the main activities to be carried out by the Presiding Officers in the coming three-year period with a view to the fulfilment of the Brasilia Consensus.

5. Analysis of the implementation of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women)

The secretariat will report on the progress made as regards the implementation of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women).

The implementation of UN Women will be discussed and recommendations will be formulated for the regional architecture.

6. Adoption of agreements

The member countries whose representatives serve as Presiding Officers will consider and adopt the agreements of the forty-fifth session.

7. Other matters

Any other matters raised by the delegations will be considered under this item.