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Fifty-eighth meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean

Santiago, 22 and 23 January 2019

AGREEMENTS

At their fifty-eighth meeting, Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean agreed to:

1. *Thank* the secretariat for the report on activities carried out since the fifty-seventh meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean, held in Santiago on 30 and 31 July 2018;

2. *Also thank* the working group on the regional fund in support of women's and feminist organizations and movements for its report concerning the operational rules of the fund, with a view to receiving comments from the countries by 28 February 2019 at the latest;

3. *Request* the working group on the regional fund in support of women's and feminist organizations and movements to intensify exchanges with the member countries of the working group and with all the delegations of this Conference;

4. *Note* that Argentina and Antigua and Barbuda have joined the board of the regional fund in support of women's and feminist organizations and movements for the current period and reaffirm the participation of Ecuador and Panama as members of the board under the leadership of the Chair of the Conference;

5. *Commend* the efforts made by the countries of the region to apply the Montevideo Strategy for the Implementation of the Regional Gender Agenda within the Sustainable Development Framework by 2030 and congratulate the countries that have presented voluntary national reports;

6. *Request* the secretariat to convey the guide for the drafting of national reports on progress in the application of the Montevideo Strategy for the Implementation of the Regional Gender Agenda within the Sustainable Development Framework by 2030, and urge the countries to prepare and convey those reports, in written form, to the secretariat by 30 May 2019;

7. *Commend* the secretariat on the preparation of the annotated index of the position document for the fourteenth session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean;¹

¹ LC/MDM.58/3.

8. *Intensify* efforts to achieve gender equality and women's autonomy in Latin America and the Caribbean in the framework of the Sustainable Development Goals, particularly in the face of new challenges arising from changing economic scenarios;

9. *Incorporate* into the position document for the fourteenth session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean all the conceptual and thematic contributions raised at the present meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Conference, in order to avoid any backwards steps and strengthen the content of the document;

10. *Endorse* the annotated index of the position document for the fourteenth session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean and request the secretariat to include the contributions conveyed by the countries and the international agencies by 30 April 2019;

11. *Hold* three subregional preparatory meetings for the fourteenth session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean during the period from May to July 2019, for the Caribbean in the subregional headquarters of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean in Port of Spain and, in online format, for South America and for Central America and Mexico;

12. *Acknowledge* the work of the Division for Gender Affairs of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean and continue to strengthen it;

13. *Convene* the fifty-ninth meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean at the headquarters of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean in Santiago, prior to the commencement of the fourteenth session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean.