MEETING OF THE GROUP OF WOMEN PARLIAMENTARIANS OF THE AMERICAS
INTER-PARLIAMENTARY FORUM OF THE AMERICAS

“WOMEN IN POWER: CHALLENGES FOR THE 21ST CENTURY”

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF ECUADOR
QUITO, ECUADOR
AUGUST 11-12, 2010

AGENDA

TUESDAY, AUGUST 10

Afternoon & Evening Transfer of delegates from the Quito Mariscal Sucre International Airport to Hotel Swissôtel

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11

8:20am Meeting in the lobby of Hotel Swissôtel and transfer to the Headquarters of the National Assembly

9:00am 10:30am Opening Ceremony
Plenary Chamber of the National Assembly of Ecuador

- Rafael Correa Delgado
  Constitutional President of the Republic of Ecuador
- Fernando Cordero Cueva
  President of the National Assembly of Ecuador
- Céline Hervieux-Payette
  Senator of Canada and Member of the Executive Committee of the Inter-Parliamentary Forum of the Americas (FIPA)
- Silvia Vega
  National Program Coordinator, United Nations Development Funds for Women (UNIFEM) – Andean Region
- Linda Machuca Moscoso
  Member of the National Assembly of Ecuador and Chair of the Group of Women Parliamentarians of the Americas

10:30am 11am Registration of participants and distribution of documents
11am  11:30am  Presentation of the methodology for the event and establishment of the Committee in charge of drafting the Final Declaration  
Salón de los Presidentes  
(Coffee break)

11:30am  12:30pm  **Session 1: Presentation – The Situation of Women’s Rights in the Hemisphere: A Critical Look at National Legislations**  
Salón de los Presidentes  
*Moderator: Gladys Sofia Azcona, Member of the Chamber of Deputies (Dominican Republic)*
- Dr. Roxana Arroyo, Researcher at the United Nations Latin American Institute for the Prevention of Crime and Treatment of Offenders (ILANUD) & Associate Professor, Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences (FLASCO)  
- Question and answer period

12:30pm  1pm  Discussion

1pm  2:15pm  Lunch  
Dining room, second floor

2:15pm  3:30pm  **Session 2: Panel – Women, Politics and Diversity**  
Salón de los Presidentes  
*Moderator: Nivea Velez, Member of the National Assembly (Ecuador)*
- Aluki Rojas, Deputy Minister for Inter-Governmental Affairs, Government of the Territory of Nunavut (Canada)  
- Angela Guimaraes, Counselor, National Youth Council (Brazil)  
- Otilia Lux, Member of the Chamber of Deputies (Guatemala)  
- Question and answer period

3:30pm  4pm  Discussion

4pm  4:45pm  **Session 3: Sharing Best Practices – Assessing the Application of Positive Actions to Improve Women’s Participation: The Cases of Ecuador and Bolivia**  
Salón de los Presidentes  
*Moderator: Rosana Alvarado, Member of the National Assembly (Ecuador)*
- Anunziatta Valdez, President of the Foundation Equity and Development and Regional Sub-Director of Participación Ciudadana (Ecuador)  
- Gina Godoy, Member of the National Assembly (Ecuador)  
- Marianela Paco Durán, Member of the Chamber of Deputies (Bolivia)  
- Question and answer period

4:45pm  5:30pm  Discussion  
(Coffee break)

5:30pm  Transfer of delegates from the National Assembly of Ecuador to the *Museo de la Ciudad*
THURSDAY, AUGUST 12

8:20am  
Meeting in the lobby of Hotel Swissôtel and transfer to the Headquarters of the National Assembly

9am  9:45am  
Session 4: Sharing Experiences – Exercising Power: The Experience of a Woman Politician
Salón del ex Senado
**Moderator: María Paula Romo, Member of the National Assembly (Ecuador)**
- Enoé Uranga, Member of the Chamber of Deputies (Mexico)
- Question and answer period

9:45am  10:30am  
Discussion

10:30am  10:45am  
Coffee break

10:45am  12:00pm  
Salón de los Presidentes
**Moderator: Hon. Rosemary Mathurin, Speaker of the House of Assembly (Saint Lucia)**
- Introduction – Cecilia Medina, Professor, Faculty of Social Communication, Universidad Central del Ecuador
- Panel – Constructing the Image of Women (speakers TBC)
- Question and answer period

12:00pm  12:45pm  
Discussion

12:45pm  1:45pm  
Reading and signature of the Final Declaration
**Challenges of the Group of Women Parliamentarians & Next Steps**
**Closing**
- Linda Machuca Moscoso, President of the Group of Women Parliamentarians of the Americas

1:45pm  3:15pm  
Lunch
Dining room, Second floor

3:30pm  6:30pm  
Tour of the Historical Downtown
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