

POLITICAL LEADERSHIP OF WOMEN Group of Women Parliamentarians of FIPA

Santo Domingo, June 30th and July 1st, 2011

MANIFESTO

Today, July 1st 2011, we, the women parliamentarians of all the delegations representing our countries through women senators, deputies, and assembly members of the member countries of the Inter-Parliamentary Forum of the Americas (FIPA), meeting in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, at the workshop "The Political Leadership of Women: Action Plan for the Americas, after listening to the speeches of all the Haitian women parliamentarians (1 senator and 5 deputies) in full exercise of their duties, declare that:

- 1. We fully sympathise with the Haitian women parliamentarians and their work.
- 2. We denounce and condemn all political, physical, and psychological violence against our Haitian women parliamentary colleagues.
- 3. We request that, at each of the parliaments present here today, this violence should become visibilized and that a draft agreement or resolution should be prepared in repudiation of such acts.
- 4. We suggest that our parliaments should oversee the actions and resources sent to Haiti by some of our countries, so as to ensure their destination and proper use. In the understanding that such resources are aimed at contributing to the physical and institutional reconstruction of the Haitian people and State.