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Fourth meeting of the negotiating committee of the regional agreement on access to information, participation and justice in environmental matters in Latin America and the Caribbean

Santo Domingo, 9-12 August 2016

## **AGREEMENTS**

The representatives of the countries participating in the fourth meeting of the negotiating committee of the regional agreement on access to information, participation and justice in environmental matters in Latin America and the Caribbean, held in Santo Domingo from 9 to 12 August 2016,

- 1. *Acknowledge* the significant progress made in the negotiations on articles 6 and 7 of the text compiled by the Presiding Officers, which shall be presented in a fourth version of the document;
- 2. Agree to resume negotiations on articles 7 to 10 at the fifth meeting of the negotiating committee, using the fourth version of the compiled text, and review outstanding issues from the preamble to article 10;
  - 3. Agree also to discuss the way forward for the negotiations;
- 4. Welcome Saint Kitts and Nevis as a signatory country of the Declaration on the application of Principle 10 of the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development<sup>1</sup> and recall that the invitation to join this regional process is open to all the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean;
- 5. Thank the Government of Chile for the invitation to hold the fifth meeting of the negotiating committee of the regional agreement on access to information, participation and justice in environmental matters in Latin America and the Caribbean at the headquarters of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean in Santiago from 22 to 25 November 2016;
- 6. Thank also the people and the Government of the Dominican Republic for their hospitality and the effort devoted to the organization of the fourth meeting of the negotiating committee of the regional agreement on access to information, participation and justice in environmental matters in Latin America and the Caribbean.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A/CONF.216/13.