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ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

A. BACKGROUND

The Regional Conference on Population and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean is a permanent subsidiary body of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC), and is convened on a regular basis. One of the functions of the Presiding Officers of the Conference is to serve as a link between member Governments and the ECLAC secretariat, in their efforts to provide regional follow-up on matters relating to population and development.

The Presiding Officers elected at the first session of the Regional Conference, held in Montevideo in August 2013, are representatives of the following countries: Uruguay (Chair), Argentina, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guyana, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico and Peru (Vice-Chairs).

At their first meeting, held at ECLAC headquarters in Santiago from 12 to 14 November 2014, the Presiding Officers agreed to hold their second meeting in mid-2015. By virtue of that agreement, ECLAC will host the second meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Population and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean from 24 to 26 June 2015, with a view to advancing in the implementation and follow-up of the Montevideo Consensus on Population and Development, and in preparations for the second session of the Regional Conference, to be held in Mexico from 6 to 9 October 2015.

1. Place and date

The second meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Population and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean will be held at ECLAC headquarters in Santiago, from 24 to 26 June 2015.

2. Objective

The purpose of the second meeting is to make progress in the preparation of an operational guide for the implementation and follow-up of the Montevideo Consensus on Population and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean, which will be presented at the second session of the Regional Conference, to be held in Mexico from 6 to 9 October 2015. Reports will also be given on preparations for the second session of the Regional Conference, on the activities conducted by the secretariat to support the Presiding Officers, and on the outcomes of the global process on the post-2015 development agenda and follow-up to the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) beyond 2014.

3. Organization of work

The first day will begin with the adoption of the agenda for the meeting. Next, the reports of the Chair of the Presiding Officers, the ECLAC secretariat and the Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA-LACRO) will be presented.

The following session, devoted to the review of the draft prepared by the ad hoc working group established to prepare the operational guide for the implementation and follow-up of the Montevideo Consensus on Population and Development, will begin with a general overview of the document prepared, including background on the preparation process, an introduction to the contents and specific points in relation to the frameworks for the implementation and follow-up of the Consensus, followed by an opportunity for questions and comments. Next on the agenda will be discussions on the operationalization of the priority measures of the Montevideo Consensus, on the following topics: full integration of population dynamics into sustainable development with equality and respect for human rights; rights, needs, responsibilities and requirements of girls, boys, adolescents and youth; ageing, social protection and socioeconomic challenges; and universal access to sexual and reproductive health services.

On the second day, discussions will continue on operationalization of the priority measures under the Montevideo Consensus, on the themes of: gender equality; international migration and protection of the human rights of all migrants; territorial inequality, spatial mobility and vulnerability; indigenous peoples: interculturalism and rights; and Afro-descendants: rights and combating racial discrimination.

The discussions will consider progress made since the start of the preparation of the guide and will focus on suggestions and comments that will serve as inputs for preparing the final version.

On the third day, the participants will consider preparations for the second session of the Regional Conference on Population and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean, with the presentation of a preliminary proposal for the agenda and organization of work. After this, the delegations will have an opportunity to raise any issues they wish to examine. The meeting will conclude with the consideration and adoption of agreements.

B. PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda.
2. Report by the Chair on preparations for the second session of the Regional Conference on Population and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean (Mexico, 6-9 October 2015).
3. Report by the secretariat on activities carried out in support of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Population and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean.
4. Report by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) on the outcomes of the global process on the post-2015 development agenda and follow-up to the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) beyond 2014.
5. Review of the draft operational guide for implementation and follow-up of the Montevideo Consensus on Population and Development prepared by the ad hoc working group.
6. Presentation of the proposed agenda and organization of work of the second session of the Regional Conference on Population and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean.
7. Other matters.
8. Consideration and adoption of agreements.

C. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. **Adoption of the agenda**

The delegations will have the provisional agenda (LC/L.4004(MDP.2/1)) before them for consideration and adoption. Member countries may make such observations or suggest such amendments as they deem appropriate under the ECLAC rules of procedure.

2. **Report by the Chair on preparations for the second session of the Regional Conference on Population and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean (Mexico, 6-9 October 2015)**

The Chair will report on the preparations for the second session of the Regional Conference on Population and Development.

3. **Report by the secretariat on activities carried out in support of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Population and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean**

The ECLAC secretariat, in its capacity as technical secretariat of the Regional Conference, will report on the activities conducted to support the Presiding Officers of the Conference since their first meeting.

4. **Report by the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) on the outcomes of the global process on the post-2015 development agenda and follow-up to the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) beyond 2014**

A representative of the UNFPA Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean will report on the global process on the post-2015 development agenda and follow-up to the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development beyond 2014.

5. **Review of the draft operational guide for implementation and follow-up of the Montevideo Consensus on Population and Development prepared by the ad hoc working group**

The secretariat will give a presentation on the operational guide, including background on the preparation process, a general introduction to the contents of the chapters and some points regarding frameworks for implementing and monitoring the Montevideo Consensus. This will be followed by nine discussion sessions on the operationalization of the priority measures under the respective thematic areas of the Consensus. The starting point for the discussions will be the second draft of the operational guide, which will be available on 8 June on the ECLAC webpage (www.cepal.org/celade) and was prepared considering comments provided by the member countries of the Conference on the first draft circulated on 30 April. On the basis of these discussions, the Chair of the Regional Conference, with the support of the secretariat, will prepare the final version of the operating guide for presentation to the Regional Conference on Population and Development at its second session in October 2015.

Working document:

- Draft operational guide for implementation and follow-up of the Montevideo Consensus on Population and Development (second draft) (LC/L.4016(MDP.2/3))

Reference document:

- Montevideo Consensus on Population and Development (LC/L.3697)

6. Presentation of the proposed agenda and organization of work of the second session of the Regional Conference on Population and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean

The Government of Mexico, host country of the second session of the Regional Conference on Population and Development, and the secretariat will report on preparations for the second session of the Regional Conference on Population and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean, including a proposed provisional agenda and organization of work.

7. Other matters

Under this agenda item, the delegations will examine any other matters they may wish to raise.

8. Consideration and adoption of agreements

Delegations will have before them the agreements of the second meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Population and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean, for consideration and adoption in accordance with the rules of procedure of ECLAC.