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Forty-ninth meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean

Santo Domingo, 14 October 2013

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

A. BACKGROUND

The Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean is a subsidiary body of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) that brings together Government representatives to monitor fulfilment of international and regional agreements on gender equality.

In consultation with the Government of Brazil, in its capacity as Chair of the Presiding Officers elected at the eleventh session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean, held in Brasilia in July 2010, the Presiding Officers agreed to hold their forty-ninth meeting the day before the opening of the twelfth session of the Regional Conference, which will be held in Santo Domingo from 15 to 18 October 2013.

At their forty-ninth meeting, the Presiding Officers will consider the report of the Chair on the activities undertaken since their election in Brasilia, and will examine the organization of work during the twelfth session of the Regional Conference.

B. ANNOTATIONS TO THE AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda

The delegations will have before them the following provisional agenda for their consideration and adoption (LC/L.3652(MDM.49/1)):

- 1. Adoption of the agenda.
- 2. Report of the Chair of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean.
- 3. Review of the documentation to be presented at the twelfth session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean.
- 4. Organization of work during the twelfth session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean.
- 5. Preliminary information on the composition of the incoming Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean.
- 6. Additional information on the twelfth session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean.
- 7. Other matters.

2. Report of the Chair of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean

The Chair of the Presiding Officers will report on the main achievements of the member countries of the Regional Conference since the adoption of the Brasilia Consensus and will provide an overview of the activities carried out in support of the preparatory tasks for the twelfth session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean. The Chair will also comment on the preparation of the reports that will be presented at the Conference and which will represent a regional input for the report on the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action (1995) 20 years after its adoption and the outcomes of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly (2000). The national reports of all the countries are available online at http://www.cepal.org/12conferenciamujer.

3. Review of the documentation to be presented at the twelfth session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean

The ECLAC secretariat will present the documentation that is to be sent to delegations for consideration at the twelfth session of the Conference.

4. Organization of work during the twelfth session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean

The ECLAC secretariat will report on the preparatory activities for the twelfth session of the Regional Conference, on the contributions of other United Nations agencies to the organization of side events and on the participation of non-governmental organizations and representatives of civil society as observers.

The secretariat will then examine the programme of work of the Conference as well as the composition of the panel of experts invited by ECLAC to lead the discussions, scheduled for 16 and 17 October, of the topics selected for in-depth analysis during the session. The plenary meetings will be held on 15 and 18 October.

5. Preliminary information on the composition of the incoming Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean

The secretariat will report on the expressions of interest that ECLAC has received from countries regarding participation in the next bureau of Presiding Officers.

6. Additional information on the twelfth session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean

The secretariat will report on matters related to the organization of the twelfth session of the Conference.

7. Other matters

Other matters that delegations wish to address will be discussed under this item.