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SUMMARY OF MINUTES OF THE SECOND PLENARY SESSION

Date: November 10, 2008
Time: 17:15 hours
Place: Pedro Valdivia Room – Sheraton Hotel

President: Laura Albornoz

Present:

Antigua and Barbuda	Jacqui Quinn-Leandro
Argentina	Magdalena Faillace
Bahamas	Loretta Butler-Turner
Barbados	Margot Greene
Belize	Esther Ayuso Ramirez
Bolivia	Miriam Evelyn Agreda Rodríguez
Brazil	Nilcéa Freire
Canada	Clare Beckton
Chile	Laura Albornoz Pollman
Colombia	Martha Lucía Vázquez Zawadzky
Costa Rica	Jeannette Carrillo Madrigal
Ecuador	María Caridad Vázquez Quesada
El Salvador	Carmen Elena Calderón de Escalón
United States	Wanda K. Jones
Grenada	Glynis Roberts
Guatemala	Sonia Escobedo
Guyana	Priya Manickchand
Haiti	Marie Laurence Jocelyn Lassegue
Honduras	Doris García
Jamaica	Faith Webster
Mexico	María del Rocío García Gaitán
Nicaragua	Claudia Fátima Cerda López
Panama	Maria Roquebert León
Paraguay	Gloria Rubín
Peru	Carmen Vildoso Chirinos

Dominican Republic	Alejandrina Germán
Saint Kitts and Nevis	Ingrid Charles Gumbs
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	Miriam Roache
Suriname	Chitrawatie Mohanlan
Trinidad and Tobago	Joan Youille-Williams
Uruguay	Carmen Beramendi
Venezuela	Elida Aponte

Carmen Lomellin — Executive Secretary
Inter-American Commission of Women

I. AGENDA

1. Report of the Committee on Credentials (Item 4 of the Agenda)

2. Election of CIM authorities (Item 3 of the Agenda)

   a. President
   b. Vice President
   c. Five member states of the Executive Committee

The second plenary session of the XXXIV Assembly of Delegates of the Inter-American Commission of Women was called to order by Nilcea Freire, Principal Delegate of Brazil and First Vice-president of the Assembly, due to the fact that the President of the Assembly, Laura Albornoz, had been nominated as a candidate for the Executive Committee for the 2008-2010 biennium.

1. Report of the Committee on Credentials

In accordance with the decision adopted during the First Plenary Session, the Committee on Credentials elected Glynis Roberts, Principal Delegate of Grenada, as its President; Wanda Jones, United States Delegate, as Vice President; and Elida Aponte, Alternate Delegate of Venezuela, as rapporteur. The rapporteur submitted the committee's report.

This Committee pointed out that under the provisions of articles 2 and 58 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly of Delegates; of article 10 of the Commission's Statute; and of Article 17 of the Commission's Regulations, only Principal and Alternate Delegates who have been accredited to the CIM and to the Assembly of Delegates of the CIM are eligible to vote.

2. Election of CIM authorities.

   a. <u>President</u>

In communication No.10 dated January 28, 2008, the government of Chile nominated Ms. Laura Albornoz Pollmann, Principal Delegate of Chile, for President of the Inter-American Commission of Women for the period 2008-2010.

For its part, in communication OAS-45 dated February 1, 2008, the government of Argentina had nominated Magdalena Faillace, Principal Delegate of Argentina, for President of CIM for the period 2008-2010. That nomination was withdrawn in communication OAS-242, dated July 28, 2008.

Since there was only one nomination for President of CIM, the First Vice President of the Assembly proposed the election of Ms. Laura Albornoz who was elected unanimously.

b. Vice President

The government of **Honduras** had nominated Ms. Selma Estrada, Principal Delegate of Honduras, for Vice President. That nomination was withdrawn on September 2, 2008, in communication 311/MPH/OEA.

Costa Rica nominated Ms. Jeannette Carrillo Madrigal, Principal Delegate of Costa Rica, for Vice President in communication No. 139 dated October 9, 2008.

Since there was only one nomination for Vice President of CIM, the Vice President of the Assembly proposed the election of Ms. Jeannette Carrillo Madrigal who was elected unanimously.

c. Five member states of the Executive Committee

Pursuant to article 22 of the Commission's Statute, the delegates selected the members of the Executive Committee for the period 2008-2010.

These governments had announced their candidacy for membership in the Executive Committee in the following order: **Mexico**, **Colombia, Antigua and Barbuda, United States** and **Bahamas**.

Since there were five countries aspiring to the five positions in the Executive Committee for the 2008-2010 period, they were unanimously elected. Thus, the Executive Committee is conformed by the following countries: **Mexico**, **Colombia, Antigua and Barbuda, United States** and **Bahamas**.

The new authorities of CIM expressed their appreciation for the trust the delegates had placed on their ability to carry out their responsibilities. The President of CIM, Jacqui Quinn-Leandro, congratulated the President-elect and wished her success in her new role.

At 18:30 p.m. the session was adjourned.