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First Inter-American Meeting of Ministers and High Level Authorities on Sustainable Development in the Framework of CIDI

December 4 - 5, 2006 Santa Cruz de la Sierra, Bolivia

INFORMATION BULLETIN

1. Venue and Date

The First Inter-American Meeting of Ministers and High Level Authorities on Sustainable Development will take place on December 4 & 5, 2006 in Santa Cruz de la Sierra, Bolivia. The meeting will take place at the "El Conquistador" Convention Center, located at Los Tajibos Hotel.

2. National Coordination Office

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E-mail: santacruz_10@planificacion.gov.bo

3. <u>Hotel Accommodations</u>

LOS TAJIBOS HOTEL ***** (*)

Contact: Helen Rivero Av. San Martín 455

Santa Cruz de la Sierra, Bolivia Phone: (591-3) 342-1000 Fax:. (591-3) 342-6994 Reservations: 1 (800) 10-2211 reservas@lostajiboshotel.com (*) This hotel provides transportation from the airport to the hotel for a fixed rate of US\$ 6.00.

Room Rates

Single room	US\$ 50.00
Double room	US\$ 56.00

CAMINO REAL HOTEL *****

Contact: Adriana Cadore Equipetrol Norte y 4to. Anillo

Santa Cruz, Bolivia Phone: (591-3) 342-3535 ventas@caminoreal.com.bo

Room Rates

Single luxury room	US\$ 50.00
Double luxury room	US\$ 60.00

ROYAL HOTEL ****

Contact: Patricia de Avila

Av. San Martin Nº 200 Equipetrol Norte

Santa Cruz, Bolivia Phone: (591-3) 343-8000 royalhotel@unete.com

Room Rates

<u>Individual</u>	<u>Shared</u>
US\$ 55.00	US\$ 40.00
US\$ 65.00	US\$ 50.00
US\$ 75.00	US\$ 60.00
	US\$ 65.00

CASABLANCA HOTEL ****

Contact: Katty Arauz

Av. Marcelo Terceros Este No. 205 Equipetrol

Santa Cruz, Bolivia Phone: (591-3) 343-4444 Fax: (591-3) 342-9529

hotelcasablanca@cotas.com.bo

Room Rates

Single room	US\$ 65.00
Double room	US\$ 70.00
Suite single	US\$ 80.00
Suite Double	US\$ 85.00

All participants should make their own reservations directly with the Hotel. As these are special rates for the Ministerial Meeting, kindly indicate that you will be participating at the First Inter-American Meeting of Ministers on Sustainable Development. Hotel expenses must be paid directly by each participant and reservations should be posted before the **November 20th** (please see attached form). Participants must take into account that the room rates may vary for any additional dates different from those of the meeting. Expenses for telephone calls and additional services are excluded from the established rates and should be covered by participants.

4. Entry and Departure Requirements

Participants carrying diplomatic or official passports from Central America or Caribbean countries require a visa to enter Bolivia. These participants must contact the Bolivian Consulate in their respective countries or the nearest consular office (see list below) to request for Courtesy Visas. Participants carrying diplomatic or official passports of MERCOSUR, Grupo Andino, Mexico, the USA or Canada do not require visa to enter Bolivia.

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5. Air transportation

It is recommended that delegates and observers reserve their round-trip flights as soon as possible, directly with the airlines or travel agencies. International flights to and from Santa Cruz arrive and depart at the Viru Viru International Airport (code VVI). Delegations are responsible for their own air transportation to and from Santa Cruz de la Sierra.

Departure tax for leaving the country is US\$ 24.00.

6. Transportation from the airport to the hotel

Taxi fares from Airport/Hotel/Airport Bs. 45 - 50 (US\$6.00 - 7.00)

7. Registration of participants

Registration will take place at the "El Conquistador" Convention Center, located at Los Tajibos Hotel, starting at 9:00AM of Sunday December 3rd. Please find attached the Registration Form to be transmitted prior to the meeting to the Department of Sustainable Development by fax: (+1) 202-458-3560 or electronic mail: usdecpr6@oas.org

We kindly request that all delegations, permanent observers and special guests address their letters of credentials to the Secretary General of the OAS, His Excellency Jose Miguel Insulza and additionally send an electronic copy to the Department of Sustainable Development to the following address: usdecpr6@oas.org or via Fax: (+1) 202-458-3560.

8. Languages and working documents

Interpretation in Spanish, English, French, and Portuguese will be available during the First Inter-American Meeting of Ministries and High Level Authorities on Sustainable Development.

9. Communications

Telephone calls and faxes can be made from the hotel and charged to guest's accounts.

10. Currency

The local currency of Bolivia is the "*Boliviano*". The current exchange rate with the US\$ is Bs. 8.09 = US\$1.

Major credit cards (Visa, Master Card, and American Express) are widely accepted throughout the country. ATM machines are available in shopping centers and banks 24 hours a day.

11. Climate

During the month of December, the city of Santa Cruz has a tropical climate with scattered showers. The temperature fluctuates between 30 - 35 degrees Celsius (86 - 95 degrees Fahrenheit).

12. Local time

One additional hour with respect to Washington $\,$ DC (e.g.: 9:00AM Washington $\,$ DC - 10:00AM Santa Cruz de la Sierra)

13. Electric current

The electric current in Santa Cruz de la Sierra is 220 volts. Appliances with different voltage require a transformer and ac adaptor.

14. Social events

The program of social events will be available to all delegates at the accreditation site of the meeting.

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HOTEL RESERVATION

Name:			
Country or organization r	epresented:		
Mailing address:			
City:		Country:	
Telephone:		Fax:	
Date and time of arrival:			
Airline and flight No.:			
Hotel:	Room	single [] double [] Suite []	
Shared with:		Departure date:	
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REGISTRATION FORM

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□ ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE	
□ OBSERVER	
□ OTHER	
NAME:	
POSITION:	
PERMANENT ADDRESS:	
TELEPHONE:FAX:	
E-MAIL:	
LOCAL ADDRESS:	
TELEPHONE:	
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