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EUROPEAN COMMISSION FOR DEMOCRACY THROUGH LAW
(VENICE COMMISSION)

SUB-COMMISSION ON LATIN AMERICA

Santiago, Chile,

5 December 2015 – (16:00-18:00)

ANNOTATED AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. Follow-up to earlier Venice Commission opinions and activities concerning Latin American countries

- Report on The method of nomination of candidates within political parties ([CDL-AD\(2015\)020](#)), adopted in June 2015.
- Report on the exclusion of offenders from Parliament, [CDL-AD\(2015\)036](#)), adopted in October 2015.
- Joint Guidelines on the use of administrative resources.
- Follow up to former opinions and work with the Bolivian authorities and on the implementation of the constitutional reforms in Bolivia.
- The Sub-Commission will also be informed about the request sent by the Inter-American Court on freedom of association and judges.

3. Communication by the President of the Venice Commission

The President of the Venice Commission will inform the Sub-Commission on the work of the Venice Commission with Latin American countries and on recent and future activities of interest for the Sub-Commission, mainly concerning:

- The meeting with a representative of the Ministry of Justice of Peru and discussion on the national programme on the implementation of human rights in Peru (Strasbourg, October 2014).
- The participation of the President of the Commission as a key note speaker in an international Conference on Constitutional Courts and the rule of law (Mexico, October 2014).
- The participation in the IX Inter-American meeting of Electoral Management Bodies (Peru, November 2014).
- The participation in an international conference on Human Rights and electoral standards organised by the Carter Center (Atlanta, February 2015).
- The participation in a global conference on "Money and Politics" co-organised by the Federal Electoral Tribunal of Mexico and International IDEA (Mexico, September 2015).
- The participation in the X Inter-American meeting of the Electoral Management Bodies (Brazil, November 2015).
- The withdrawal of the request of an opinion by the Ministry of Justice of Peru on anti-discrimination legislation, 2015.

4. Communication by the Secretariat of the Sub-Commission on Latin America

Mr Fernando Cavalcanti will present a progress report on the implementations of the decisions taken during the meeting in Ouro Preto, Brazil, in May 2014.

5. Road-map for the activities with Latin America countries in 2016

Item 1. The possible topics and venue for the next regional conference will be discussed, including, *inter alia*, the future of international human rights protection bodies and mechanisms, setting in place transitional justice mechanisms and shared experiences in constitutional design mechanisms.

Item 2. Possible road-map for future activities of the Sub-Commission, such as:

- Creation of a specific forum of judges and national authorities, as well as and international experts on the use of comparative law and examples concerning the implementation and the impact of decisions of international bodies in the field of human rights.
- Creation of a working group on constitutional design
- Creation of a working group on electoral matters and case-law.

Item 3. Nomination of representatives from Latin American States, which are not members of the Venice Commission, invited to participate in the Sub-Commission meetings.

6. Date and place of the next meeting of the Sub-Commission