

DECISION ADOPTED BY THE HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT OF THE COMMUNITY OF LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN STATES (CELAC) ON ENLARGEMENT OF THE TROIKA

Considering that in the Caracas Declaration, the Heads of State and Government, on 3 December 2011, acknowledged the historic role of the countries of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) in the process of liberalisation, development and integration in Latin America and the Caribbean, and emphasised the permanent commitment of CARICOM and the Caribbean peoples to contribute to the integral and sustainable development of the Region.

Bearing in mind what was agreed by the Heads of State and Government of the Latin American and Caribbean countries in the Caracas Declaration, *“In the Bicentenary of the Struggle for Independence - Towards the Path of Our Liberators”*.

Resolve:

1. To incorporate CARICOM, represented by its Presidency Pro Tempore, as a full member of the Extended Troika of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC).

2. To replace the *“Procedures for the Organic Operation of CELAC”*, paragraph 1, number 6, which states *“The Presidency Pro Tempore shall be assisted by a Troika comprised by the State holding the Presidency Pro Tempore, the State that previously held this responsibility and the one that will succeed as Presidency Pro Tempore”*, for a paragraph 1, number 6 that reads as follows:

“The Presidency Pro Tempore shall be assisted by an Extended Troika comprised by the State holding the Presidency Pro Tempore, the State that previously held this responsibility and the one that will succeed as Presidency Pro Tempore, plus a member State of CARICOM represented by the country exercising its Presidency Pro Tempore.”

3. To replace the text *“Procedures for the Organic Operation of CELAC”*, the word *“Troika”* with *“Extended Troika”*, except for the paragraph in Title IX *“Transitional Provisions”*, number 2.

4. To implement this enlargement of the Troika effective from this date.

Santiago, Chile, 28 January 2013