

UNITED NATIONS LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN MEETING IN SUPPORT OF ISRAELI-PALESTINIAN PEACE

The urgency of realizing a two-State solution

Montevideo, 29 and 30 March 2011

Provisional programme

Tuesday, 29 March 10.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.

OPENING SESSION

Statements by:

H.E. Mr. Luis Almagro

Minister for Foreign Affairs Representative of the Host Government

Mr. Oscar Fernandez-Taranco

Assistant Secretary-General for Political Affairs Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations

H.E. Mr. Abdou Salam Diallo

Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

H.E. Mr. Saeb Erakat

Member of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization Representative of Palestine

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Statements by Governments, intergovernmental organizations and United Nations system entities

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Keynote presentation:

H.E. Mr. Saeb Erakat

Member of the Executive Committee of the Palestine Liberation Organization Ramallah

3.00 p.m. - 6.00 p.m.

PLENARY I

Advancing peace between Israelis and Palestinians – Obstacles and opportunities

The impact of settlement expansion on prospects for achieving a two-State solution

The question of Jerusalem – A key to Israeli-Palestinian peace

Bridging gaps and building trust: International efforts at resuming direct peace negotiations between the parties

Presentations by experts:

Mr. Yariv Oppenheimer

Director General, Peace Now Tel Aviv

Ms. Hind Khoury

Former Minister for Jerusalem Affairs Palestinian Authority Jerusalem

Mr. Eduardo Matarazzo Suplicy

Senator, Federal Senate of Brazil Brasilia

Mr. Marcelo Díaz

Member of the Chilean Parliament Valparaiso

Mr. Meir Margalit

Member, Municipal Council of the City of Jerusalem Jerusalem

Discussion

Wednesday, 30 March 10.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.

PLENARY II

Support by Latin American and Caribbean countries for a comprehensive, just and lasting settlement of the question of Palestine

Diplomatic recognition of Palestinian statehood by Governments of the region

The applicability of the Montevideo Convention on the Rights and Duties of States to the creation of the State of Palestine

Action by Latin American and Caribbean States within the United Nations, the Non-Aligned Movement, and other intergovernmental mechanisms

Presentations by experts:

Mr. Walid Muaqqat

Ambassador, Palestinian Embassy in Argentina Buenos Aires

Mr. John V. Whitbeck

International lawyer Paris

Mr. Bruno Stagno Ugarte

Managing Consultant, Stagno Ugarte Consultores y Asociados-Inteliaxis Former Minister for Foreign Affairs of Costa Rica Former Permanent Representative of Costa Rica to the United Nations San José

Discussion

3.00 p.m. - 5.30 p.m.

PLENARY III

The role of non-governmental actors in Latin America and the Caribbean in promoting a permanent settlement of the conflict

The role of parliamentarians

Civil society initiatives and media engagement in the region

The voice of Arab and Jewish communities in Latin America and the Caribbean

Presentations by experts:

Ms. Paula Cecilia Merchán

Member of the Argentine Parliament Buenos Aires

Ms. Arlene Elizabeth Clemesha

Professor of Arab Culture, University of São Paulo Director of International Relations, Institute for Arab Culture São Paulo

Ms. Tilda Rabi

President, Federación de Entidades Argentino-Palestinas Buenos Aires

Mr. Edward (Edy) Kaufman

Professor, International School University of Haifa Haifa

Discussion

5.30 p.m. – 6.00 p.m. **CLOSING SESSION**

Statements by:

Rapporteur of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People presenting the Concluding Statement by the Organizers

Representative of the Host Government

H.E. Mr. Riyad Mansour

Permanent Observer of Palestine to the United Nations Representative of Palestine

Chairman of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

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