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**HAITI: COPA urges political actors to opt for dialogue and pursue
commitment to democracy**

Québec City, December 1, 2010 – The president of the Parliamentary Confederation of the Americas (COPA) today expressed his concern with regard to the first round of presidential and legislative elections held in Haiti on November 28, 2010.

In view of the incidents reported by the major media and by national and international observers, COPA urges the political actors to opt for dialogue and take the appropriate steps to promote democracy in Haiti.

COPA's president evoked the solidarity of the parliamentarians of the Americas with the people of Haiti and their support for them, and invited all his colleagues to join forces in supporting the reconstruction effort in Haiti in the wake of the January 12 earthquake.