



## PARLIAMENTARY CONFEDERATION OF THE AMERICAS 14<sup>th</sup> GENERAL ASSEMBLY GUANAJUATO, MEXICO SEPTEMBER 9-11, 2015

## Recommendation on the dispatch of an electoral observation mission to Peru

WHEREAS the first round of the general elections are to be held in Peru on April 10, 2016;

**WHEREAS** the participation of parliamentarians from COPA in multilateral electoral observation missions is a matter of priority in order to attain the COPA objective of contributing to the strengthening of parliamentary democracy and to the edification of a community of the Americas founded upon respect for human rights and dignity, peace, democracy, solidarity among peoples, social justice, and equity between women and men; and

WHEREAS these elections are particularly significant for the community of the Americas:

WE, the representatives of the congresses and parliamentary assemblies of the unitary, federal, federated and associated states, regional parliaments, and interparliamentary organizations gathered in Guanajuato, Mexico, for the 14<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the Parliamentary Confederation of the Americas,

And acting upon the recommendation of the Committee on Democracy and Peace:

**DECLARE** our support for and our solidarity with Peruvian society and the democratic institutions of that country in organizing the first round of the general elections next April 10;

**PROPOSE** the dispatch of a COPA electoral observation mission to these elections in Peru, with due respect for the national sovereignty of that country;

**PLEDGE OURSELVES** to uphold the principles of regional balance and political pluralism in forming a delegation of parliamentarians from the Americas, and to make sure that the observation mission will carry out its task in an independent and impartial manner as stipulated in the By-laws of COPA Electoral Observation Missions.