

PARLIAMENTARY CONFEDERATION OF THE AMERICAS 11TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY Quebec City, Quebec, Canada September 6-9, 2011

Workshop of the Committee on Democracy and Peace September 6, 2011, 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

DRAFT AGENDA

1. Welcoming remarks

President of the Committee on Democracy and Peace

2. Reading and adoption of the draft agenda

President of the Committee on Democracy and Peace

- 3. Presentations by experts
 - Ms. Diane Sheinberg, UNDP
 - M. Andrew Mandelbaum, NDI
- 4. Presentation of processes undertaken by different organizations
 - The case of the Chamber of Senators of the province of Buenos Aires, Argentina: Ms. Edda Evangelina Acuña, Senator, former President of COPA
 - The case of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Francophonie: M. Pierre De Bané, Canadian Senator, president of the Committee on Parliamentary Affairs
- 5. Study of the document *The Parliamentary Contribution to Democracy: Draft Criteria* for the Parliaments of the Americas
 - 5.1 Explanation of the procedure and document by the President of Committee
 - 5.2 Study of the first section of the document : Elections and Status of Parliamentarians
 - 5.3 Study of the second section of the document: Parliament's Prerogatives
 - 5.4 Study of the third section of the document : Organization of Parliaments
 - 5.5 Study of the fourth section of the document: The Parliamentary Communication

6. Remarks by invited experts

- Ms. Diane Sheinberg, UNDP
- M. Andrew Mandelbaum, NDI

7. Words of closing

- Ms. María Alejandra Vucasovich, vice-President of Committee on Democracy and Peace
- M. Daniel Ratthé, President of Committee on Democracy and Peace

8. End of workshop