

**WORKING COMMITTEE I**

**THEMATIC AXIS I:**

**SECURITY AND DEFENCE OF THE AMERICAS IN A CHANGING  
INTERNATIONAL ENVIRONMENT: THE EVOLVING ROLE OF THE ARMED  
FORCES**

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**RELATED PARAGRAPHS FROM DRAFT DECLARATION OF PORT OF SPAIN (Rev 2)**

**Preambular Paragraph 8**

**RECOGNISING:**

The aims and aspirations of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UNSDGs) which call on all states and relevant actors to contribute to national development in a manner that would ensure long-term sustainability, their applicability to the principles and purpose of the CDMA, and the evolving role of military and defence institutions in this regard;

**Operative Paragraph 3**

That the evolving role of the military and defence institutions is pivotal in confronting current transnational and multidimensional threats and calls for new and creative approaches to strengthen hemispheric security and defence cooperation.

**Operative Paragraph 7**

Their commitment to strengthening collaboration among CDMA Member States in accordance with cooperation policy and strategy that guides civil-military coordination and in respect for the principles of sovereignty and national legislations, in confronting multidimensional threats, already conceptualised in the Declaration on Security in the Americas of the Special Conference on Security held on October 27-28, 2003.

**Operative Paragraph 10**

Their commitment to implement the Organization of American States strategy on cyber security to increase transparency, foster trust, and application of good practices in this domain to preserve a free and open cyberspace

**Operative Paragraph 13**

That they recognise that the specific problems and challenges of small island and other developing states in the Caribbean region and their need to utilise the military in support of civil authorities in an effort to counter the growing incidents of transnational organised crime including the illicit trade in small arms, drugs, human and all other forms of trafficking. Similarly, they recognise the need for the military of the aforementioned states to assist in areas of man-made and natural disaster, border control, cyber security and cyber defence, major events security, critical infrastructure protection, environmental protection and resilience and climate change adaptation.

**Operative Paragraph 14**

Their commitment to strengthen the mechanisms for the provision of Humanitarian Emergency Assistance with a focus on civil-military collaboration for the use of foreign military and civil defence assets in disaster relief (Oslo Guidelines), in accordance with the principles of sovereignty, territorial integrity, international humanitarian law and domestic legislation.

**Operative Paragraph 17**

Their renewed determination that Member States should prevent, combat and eradicate illicit trafficking in, the illegal use of, and the proliferation of small arms and light weapons consistent with the aims of the Inter-American Convention Against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Ammunitions, Explosives, and Other Related Materials (CIFTA), the United Nations Program of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects, likewise their reaffirmation of the importance of promoting universal participation in the Inter-American Convention on Transparency in Conventional Weapons Acquisitions (CITAAC) and in the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT).

**Operative Paragraph 19**

Their commitment to support national authorities in actions to increase energy and water security, including investments in areas such as energy efficiency, new technologies, and renewable energy sources which will increase the resiliency of military installations and help mitigate and adapt to the effects of climate change.