XI CONFERENCE OF DEFENSE MINISTERS OF THE AMERICAS

MINUTE OF THE PLENARY SESSION, OCTOBER 14, 2014

The representative of the President of the XI Conference of Defense Ministers of the Americas, DS Minister Librado Orozco Zapata, opened the Plenary Session of the ministerial meeting, in Arequipa, Arequipa Region, Republic of Peru, on October 14, 2013, in the Conventions Room of Libertador Hotel:

With the participation of the Authorities of the Head Table:

The representative of the President of the XI Conference of Defense Ministers of the Americas, DS Minister Librado Orozco Zapata, invited the moderator of Thematic Axis 3 (Chile): Colonel Frank Mauricio Cabrera Rizek, to read changes made to the conclusions for Thematic Axis 3 "Cooperation in Search and Rescue Capabilities," product of discussion and tentative agreement with Nicaragua the day before.

Peru took the floor to complement the reading of conclusions with some necessary remarks.

Nicaragua's arrival was awaited for the final agreement.

The representative of the President of the XI Conference of Defense Ministers of the Americas, DS Minister Librado Orozco Zapata, took note of the general agreement of the Plenary.

The representative of the President of the XI Conference of Defense Ministers of the Americas, DS Minister Librado Orozco Zapata, invited the moderator of Thematic Axis 4 (Trinidad and Tobago): Lieutenant Commander Aldon Jasper, to read the conclusions for Thematic Axis 4 "Protection and Defense of the Environment."

Lieutenant Commander Aldon Jasper read the conclusions for Thematic Axis 4, as stated in the Minute, for the aforementioned Thematic Axis.

The representative of the President of the XI Conference of Defense Ministers of the Americas, DS Minister Librado Orozco Zapata, asked if any delegate wished to take the floor.

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The representative of the President of the XI Conference of Defense Ministers of the Americas, DS Minister Librado Orozco Zapata, invited the moderator of Thematic Axis 5 (Paraguay): Vice Minister Rubén Carmelo Valdez Cuellar, to read the conclusions for Thematic Axis 5 "Exchange of Experience on the Participation and Effectiveness of the Armed Forces in Security Tasks in the Region and the Hemisphere."

Vice Minister Rubén Carmelo Valdez Cuellar read the conclusions for Thematic Axis 5, as stated in the Minute, for the aforementioned Thematic Axis.

The representative of the President of the XI Conference of Defense Ministers of the Americas, DS Minister Librado Orozco Zapata, asked if any delegate wished to take the floor.

Paraguay thanked the co-rapporteur, Colombia, for the work done.

Colombia took the floor and mentioned the joint work to thank co-rapporteur countries.

It was agreed to include the recommendation by the Working Committee for Thematic Axis 5 in the Declaration of Arequipa.

The representative of the President of the XI Conference of Defense Ministers of the Americas, DS Minister Librado Orozco Zapata, took note of the general agreement of the Plenary.

The Plenary closed the session at 10:45 hrs, and participants were invited to the coffee break.

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