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Eighth meeting of the negotiating committee  
of the regional agreement on access to information,  
participation and justice in environmental matters  
in Latin America and the Caribbean

Santiago, 27 November–1 December 2017

### AGREEMENTS

*The representatives of the countries participating in the eighth meeting of the negotiating committee of the regional agreement on access to information, participation and justice in environmental matters in Latin America and the Caribbean, held in Santiago from 27 November to 1 December 2017,*

1. *Acknowledge* the significant progress made in the negotiations on the basis of the text compiled by the Presiding Officers, which will be presented in an eighth version of that document;
2. *Agree to make every effort* to conclude the negotiations at the ninth meeting of the negotiating committee on the basis of the eighth version of the text compiled by the Presiding Officers, and reiterate the request made to the Presiding Officers to continue using flexible working modalities for the review of outstanding issues, with the support of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean as technical secretariat;
3. *Decide* to hold the ninth meeting of the negotiating committee of the regional agreement on access to information, participation and justice in environmental matters in Latin America and the Caribbean in San José, tentatively in the first quarter of 2018;
4. *Thank* the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean and its staff for its support as technical secretariat;
5. *Also thank* the public and its representatives for their meaningful participation in the eighth meeting of the negotiating committee and for their contributions;
6. *Express their gratitude* to Chile and Costa Rica, as well as the co-facilitators of the contact groups, for their hospitality and the effort devoted to the organization of the eighth meeting of the negotiating committee of the regional agreement on access to information, participation and justice in environmental matters in Latin America and the Caribbean.