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Second meeting of the countries signatory to the
Regional Agreement on Access to Information,
Public Participation and Justice in Environmental Matters
in Latin America and the Caribbean

Virtual meeting, 9–10 December 2020

AGREEMENTS

The representatives of the countries participating in the second meeting of the countries signatory to the Regional Agreement on Access to Information, Public Participation and Justice in Environmental Matters in Latin America and the Caribbean, held virtually, under the auspices of the Government of Antigua and Barbuda, on 9 and 10 December 2020 agree to,

1. *Redouble* efforts to bring about the prompt entry into effect of the Regional Agreement on Access to Information, Public Participation and Justice in Environmental Matters in Latin America and the Caribbean (Escazú Agreement) and its implementation;
2. *Invite* all Latin American and Caribbean States to consider ratification, acceptance, approval or accession to the Escazú Agreement, as appropriate, in accordance with its article 21, as soon as possible;
3. *Continue* working to make progress on the topics to be addressed at the first meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Escazú Agreement and necessary for its operation and implementation, such as its rules of procedure, the rules of composition and operation of the Committee to Support Implementation and Compliance, the financial provisions and the Voluntary Fund, using flexible working modalities and information technologies for this purpose, with the support of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean as secretariat and significant participation by the public;
4. *Thank* the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean for its support as secretariat and the progress achieved in the deployment of the Observatory on Principle 10 in Latin America and the Caribbean;
5. *Also thank* the public and its representatives for their meaningful participation participation and their contributions on the occasion of the second meeting of the countries signatory to the Agreement;
6. *Further thank* the experts and the regional and international organizations that have participated in this meeting;
7. *Thank* the people and Government of Antigua and Barbuda for their commitment and the effort devoted to the organization of the second meeting of the countries signatory to the Regional Agreement on Access to Information, Public Participation and Justice in Environmental Matters in Latin America and the Caribbean.