

XI CONFERENCE OF DEFENSE MINISTERS OF THE AMERICAS

OPENING MINUTE

The ministerial meeting was held in Arequipa, Arequipa Region, Republic of Peru, on October 14, 2014, in the Conventions Room of el Libertador Hotel, in the following orders:

The President of the Republic of Peru, Ollanta Humala Tasso, entered the room.

His Excellency President of the Republic of Peru took the floor and started the opening session of the ministerial meeting.

The meeting was briefly adjourned for the departure of the President of the Republic of Peru, Ollanta Humala Tasso.

The Minister of Defense of the Republic of Peru, Mr. Pedro Cateriano Bellido, took the floor and gave the opening remarks of the Conference.

The meeting was briefly adjourned for the official picture.

The authorities of the Head Table were presented to the Conference:

Pro Tempore President, Minister of Defense of the Republic of Peru, Mr. Pedro Cateriano Bellido,

Secretary General, Deputy Minister for Defense Policy, Mr. Ivan Vega Loncharich, Executive Secretary, Director General of International Relations (a) DS Minister Librado Orozco Zapata,

The Host Country of the XII Conference of Defense Ministers of the Americas was elected by voting, appointing unanimously Trinidad and Tobago

The Pro Tempore Vice Presidency of the Head Table was assumed by the Minister of Gender, Youth and Child Development of Trinidad and Tobago, Mr. Clifton De Coteau.

The Minister of Gender, Youth and Child Development of Trinidad and Tobago, Mr. Clifton De Coteau, took the floor.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Regulations, Ministers of Defense and representing Authorities of Delegations took the floor in the following registration order: Commonwealth of Jamaica, Republic of Argentina, United States of Americas, Republic of Colombia, Canada, Republic of Chile, Republic of Guatemala, Oriental Republic of Uruguay, United States of Mexico, Federative Republic of Brazil, Republic of El Salvador, Republic of Paraguay, Republic of Haiti, Plurinational State of Bolivia, Republic of Honduras, Commonwealth of Bahamas, Republic of Nicaragua, Republic of Ecuador, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

Based on the criteria of flexibility, the Head Table gave the floor to the Minister of Defense of the Kingdom of Spain and the Minister of Defense of Portugal, observers in this Conference of Ministers.

The Minister of Defense of the Republic of Peru, Mr. Pedro Cateriano Bellido, closed the opening session.

Pedro Cateriano Bellido
PRESIDENT OF THE XI CONFERENCE OF DEFENSE MINISTERS OF THE
AMERICAS, MINISTER OF DEFENSE OF THE REPUBLIC OF PERU