**MEETING OF THE REGIONAL CONSULTATION GROUP ON MIGRATION (RCGM) OF THE REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON MIGRATION (RCM)**

**Guatemala City, Guatemala**

**25-26 June 2019**

The Regional Consultation Group on Migration (RCGM) held a meeting on 25-26 June 2019 in Guatemala City, Guatemala with participation of representatives from Belize, Canada, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama and the United States and formulated the following:

# CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. In regard to the relaunch of the RCM:
   1. To thank the Member Countries for their input on the Charter and their commitment and interest in the process of the RCM relaunch.
   2. Accept the substantive changes to the RCM Charter presented to the Presidency Pro-Témpore and to distribute the final version to the Member Countries.
   3. To ask the RCM Member Countries to submit their final comments on the Charter by 31 July, at the latest. In the event that comments are not submitted by 31 July, it shall be understood that the Charter will be ready for recommendation for approval by the Member Countries.
   4. To communicate the endorsement of the structure and methodology of the RCM Strategic Plan 2019-2022 by July 31st, at the latest.
   5. To accept the establishment of the following Working Groups for the development of the RCM Strategic Plan 2019-2022:
2. Protection
3. Irregular and mass migration
4. Labour migration
5. Border management
   1. To submit to the Presidency Pro-Tempore a proposal of expected results/outcomes for each Work Group and each country’s proposed top 2-3 thematic priorities for each Work Group by 31 July, at the latest.
   2. To ask the Presidency Pro-Témpore and the RCM Technical Secretariat, with the support of the Consultant, to present a matrix of proposed activities for the recommended Work Groups and to schedule a teleconference in the month of August.
6. To accept and thank the RCM Technical Secretariat (TS) for the Financial and Activity report of the TS. In addition, to urge the RCM Member Countries that have not already done this to pay their pending contributions.
7. To accept and thank the International Organization for Migration (IOM) for the Report on the Reserve Fund for assistance to intraregional migrants in highly vulnerable situations. In addition, to urge the relevant RCM Member Countries that have not already done this to pay their pending contributions.
   1. To thank IOM for its offer to elaborate an information sheet to disseminate the Fund.
8. Following up on the document entitled “Lines of Action for the Mainstreaming of Migration in the 2030 Agenda”, to thank IOM for incorporating the most recent comments submitted by the RCM Member Countries and to thank Panama for promoting the development of this topic.
   1. To request Member Countries to submit in writing their approval of the document by 15 July, at the latest.
9. To recommend granting the Observer Status before the RCM to the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States.
10. To thank IOM for the presentation on the Regional Hub for the Management of Knowledge on Migration and for updating the strategy on mechanisms for the collection of data on migration. In this regard, to urge Member Countries to use and take advantage of the Regional Migration Information Platform (PRIMI).
11. To thank Mexico for its presentation on the Comprehensive Regional Protection and Solutions Framework (MIRPS). In this regard, to congratulate Mexico as Presidency Pro-Témpore of MIRPS and invite other countries that have not yet done so to join the initiative.
12. To thank UNHCR for its presentation on the Global Refugee Forum. In this regard, to urge the RCM Member Countries to actively participate in that event to be held in Geneva on 17-18 December, 2019.
13. To thank the Observer Organizations of the RCM for their reports, recommendations and analyses, especially UNHCR, ICRC, IOM, ILO, UNODC and UNICEF, and to recognize their cooperation in the region.
    1. Take note of the request of Canada so that, at the beginning of every meeting of the RCGM and RCM, the Observer Organizations provide a report on the state of migration flows in the region.
14. To thank the Regional Network for Civil Organizations on Migration (RNCOM) for the reflections, recommendations and input concerning the role of civil society and the importance of establishing alliances in support of migrant populations.
    1. To thank RNCOM for their offer to support the implementation and monitoring of the RCM Strategic Plan.
15. To update the schedule of the RCM as follows:
16. Workshop entitled “Incorporating migrants in emergency situations: the key role of knowledge management”, to be held on 21-22 August 2019 in Guatemala, with support from IOM and CEPREDENAC.
17. Regional Workshop on Labour Migration, to be held on 3-5 September 2019 in Guatemala, with support from ILO and IOM.
18. Workshop to homologate the best practices of consulates and ministries of foreign affairs in the search for missing migrants within the framework of the Regional Conference on Migration, to be held on 22-23 October 2019 in Guatemala, with support from ICRC.
19. Workshop on Migrant Boys, Girls and Adolescents to be tentatively held in October 2019, in Honduras, with the support from UNICEF, UNHCR, ILO and IOM.
20. RCM-SACM Plenary Session:
    1. To thank Canada for providing support to enable the RCM Member Countries to participate in the event.
    2. To circulate the proposed agenda.
    3. To conduct a videoconference of the Troikas of the RCM and the South American Conference on Migration (SACM) in July 2019, to define date of event, tentatively to be held in October 2019.
21. Meeting of the Regional Consultation Group on Migration, to be held on 13 November 2019 in Guatemala City.
22. XXIV Vice-Ministerial Meeting, to be held on 14-15 November 2019 in Guatemala City.
23. To thank Canada for the report about the Workshop on Migration and Health, the Workshop on Passport Integrity and the Workshop on Visa Operations.
24. To thank Costa Rica for the information about the Global Conference of the International Association of Judges and to ask the RCM Member Countries to disseminate information about the event to the relevant authorities.
25. To thank the Government and the people of Guatemala for the hospitality and for hosting this meeting of the Regional Consultation Group on Migration (RCGM).