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II REGIONAL FORUM OF CHAMPION COUNTRIES IN THE AMERICAS: GOOD PRACTICES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GLOBAL COMPACT FOR MIGRATION (GCM)

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JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ

Following up on the results and recommendations of the I Forum held in Panama City in 2023, the Regional Conference on Migration (RCM) held the “II Regional Forum of Champion Countries of the Americas: Good Practices for the Implementation of the Global Compact for Migration” in San Salvador, El Salvador, on September 25 and 26, 2024.

The objectives of the II Forum were:

- to contribute to the Second Regional Review of the Global Compact for Migration (GCM) in Latin America and the Caribbean;
- to enhance mechanisms for information sharing and best practices on migration governance; and
- to improve international cooperation on migration governance in line with regional and global frameworks.

The Forum was attended by representatives of the Governments of Belize, Canada, Costa Rica, Colombia, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Panama, Peru, United States and the Dominican Republic¹, as well as RCM observer organizations, members of the United Nations Regional Network on Migration and the Regional Network of Civil Society Organizations for Migration (RNCOM).

Implementing countries reiterated their commitment to the Global Compact for Migration as a collective framework for cooperation on migration, and its implementation to address the challenges and leverage the opportunities of migration.

In the same line, the countries recognize that the 10 guiding principles and the 23 objectives of the Global Compact for Migration are key elements for a respectful management of human rights and the strengthening of the contributions of migration to the development of countries, as well as contributing to improve the lives of migrants, their families and communities.

¹ The Dominican Republic did not participate in the vote of the Global Compact for Migration (Resolution A/RES/73/195), but attended this forum as a member country of the RCM and as a listener.



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The countries recognize the key role of the Champion Countries in promoting the implementation of the Global Compact for Migration, establishing a productive process for the Second Regional Review, and strengthening regional and inter-regional dialogue.

Furthermore, the countries agreed to strengthen the exchange of information related to the implementation of the Global Compact for Migration with the purpose of identifying lessons learned, avoiding duplication of efforts, and identifying opportunities for collaboration, based on the Capacity Building Mechanism of the Global Compact for Migration.

Through participatory sessions, the countries developed roadmaps to move forward in a concrete and collaborative manner on priority RCM issues identified at the I Forum of Champion Countries in the Americas in 2023 and the International Migration Review Forum (IMRF) in 2022.

The creation of roadmaps demonstrates the political will of the countries in the region to collaborate effectively on common migration issues. This strategic approach highlights the importance of coordinated actions, strengthening regional cooperation and promoting safe, orderly and regular migration that promotes sustainable development and stability.

The participating countries thank IOM, UNDP, ILO, OHCHR, UNODC, ECLAC, UNICEF and UNHCR, as well as members of the United Nations Regional Network on Migration, and civil society, through RNCOM, for their valuable support to this event.

In addition, participating countries thank the People and Government of El Salvador for their hospitality in hosting this II Forum of Champion Countries of the Americas, as well as the Government of Canada, IOM, the United Nations Regional Network on Migration for Latin America and the Caribbean and the Network Secretariat.