REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON MIGRATION (RCM)

MEETING OF THE REGIONAL CONSULTATION GROUP ON MIGRATION (RCGM)

**Holiday Inn & Convention Center**

**Managua, Nicaragua**

# November, 24th – 25th, 2014

**AGENDA**

**sunday, november 23rd**

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| All Day All Day | Arrival of delegations to the hotel Bilateral Meetings |
| 17:00 – 18:30 | Registration and delivery of nametags for participants **Venue: Holiday Inn Hotel, Cocibolca Room** |

**monday, november 24th**

**MEETINGS OF THE LIAISON OFFICERS NETWORKS**

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| 07:30 – 08:30 | Registration and delivery of nametags for participants continues**Venue: Mombacho and Telica Lobby** |
| 08:30 – 13:00 | Parallel meetings * Liaison Officers Network for Consular Protection

**Venue: Cosigüina Room*** Liaison Officers Network to Combat Trafficking in Persons and Migrant Smuggling

**Venue: Mombacho and Telica Rooms****Note**: **Please refer to the specific agendas of these meetings** |
| 13:00 - 15:00 | Lunch (Los Arcos Room) |

MEETING OF THE REGIONAL CONSULTATION GROUP ON MIGRATION (RCGM)

Venue: Mombacho and Telica Rooms

***Note: Statements scheduled in the program until the break time are open to participants of the RNCOM***

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| 15:00 – 15:15 | Opening Remarks by the Presidency Pro-Témpore (PPT)***Lead: PPT*** * Approval of the agenda
* Logistics information
* Designation of representatives for the Drafting Committee
* Designation of a Rapporteur to lead both the RCGM and RCM Drafting Committees (PPT)
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| 15:15 – 15:30 | Report by the Coordinator of the Technical Secretariat (TS)* Activity and Financial report for the period May – October 2014.
* Report on the Coordinator’s participation in the Sub-Regional Consultation Process Mesoamerica: “Challenges in the International Protection and Opportunities for a new Strategic Framework on Regional Cooperation”, held on July 10–11, 2014 in Managua, Nicaragua.
* Report on the Coordinator’s participation in the International Conference on Migration, Childhood and Family, held on July 16-17, 2014 in Tegucigalpa, Honduras.
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| 15:30 – 16:45 | Report on events:* Meeting of the Regional Coalition against Trafficking in Persons, held in San Jose, Costa Rica, on August 19– 20, 2014
* Meeting of the Regional Coalition against Trafficking in Persons, held in Sonsonate, El Salvador, on September 11– 12, 2014
* Meeting of the Regional Coalition against Trafficking in Persons, held in Panama City, Panama, on November 12-14, 2014

***[Lead: Coalition´s Representative]*** |
| 15:45 – 16:15 | Presentation by the PPT on the main topic of the XIX RCM, “For a Region Free of Trafficking in Persons” |
| 16:15 – 16:45 | Presentation by the RNCOM and dialogue with Member Countries. |
| 16:45 – 17:00 | Coffee Break |
| 17:00 – 17:30 | Proposal for the selection and hiring process for the position of TS Coordinator. ***[Lead: ST/OIM]**** *During the XIX Meeting of the RCM Vice-Ministers, held in Managua, Nicaragua, on June 26-27, 2014, the Vice-Ministers and Heads of Delegation decided to request IOM a proposal for the selection and hiring process for the position of TS Coordinator, in order to review and approve it during this meeting.* ***(Decision # 10)***

***Reference documents:**** *Selection Guidelines for IOM One-Year Fixed-Term Staff*
* *Proposal on Selection Guidelines for the Position of Coordinator of the TS of the RCM.*
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| 17:30 – 17:45 | Update on the possible course of action of the Ad-hoc Working Group to discuss, analyze and define objectives on the topic of Extra-continental Migration Flows in the Region. ***[Lead: TS/PPT]**** *During the last meeting of the RCGM, held in Managua, Nicaragua, on June 24-25, 2014, El Salvador, Mexico and Nicaragua were requested to update the proposed matrix on extra-continental migration to contribute to the systematization of information in the RCM and, Member Countries were asked to complete the updated matrix before the next RCGM meeting. .****(Conclusion # 3, point b)***
* *Furthermore, it was agreed that during this meeting the themes of discussion would be defined in order to keep the dialogue with the Consuls of countries of origin*. ***(Conclusion # 3, point d)***
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| **Topic: Policies and Migration Management** |
| 17:45 – 18:00 | Update on the proposed matrix for the systematization of the information on Cuban migration within the region. ***[Lead: Costa Rica]**** *During the last meeting of the RCGM, held in Managua, Nicaragua on June 24-25, 2014, it was agreed that the Member Countries would send their observations within a two-month period and the Technical Secretariat would distribute the revised matrix again so data will be incorporated in the revised matrix before the next RCGM meeting..* ***(Conclusion # 4)***

***Reference documents:*** *Matrix for the systematization of the information on Cuban migration within the region*  |
| 18:00 – 19:0019:30 | Meeting of the Drafting Committee **(Conclusions and Recommendations)*****[Lead: PPT]*****Venue: Cosigüina Room****Free Dinner** |

**Tuesday, November 25th**

**Mombacho & Telica Rooms**

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| 08:00 – 08:15 | Report of the Liaison Officers Network for Consular Protection. ***[Lead: PPT]***  |
| 08:15 – 08:30 | Report of the Liaison Officers Network to Combat Migrant Smuggling and Trafficking in Persons. ***[Lead: PPT]***  |
| **Topic: Policies and Migration Management** |
| 08:30 – 08:45 | Systematization of the consular services of Nicaragua. |
| 08:45 – 09:45 | Time slot for country delegations to present progress on their migration policies and migration management. |
| **Topic: Migration and Development** |
| 09:45 – 10:30 | Update on the Migrants in Countries in Crisis Working Group (MICIC) initiative. ***[Lead: United States and Costa Rica]**** *During the last meeting of the RCGM, Held in Managua, Nicaragua, 24-25 June, 2014, agreed to review the documents presented about this initiative in order to produce recommendations, inputs and/or comments during this meeting of the RCGM.* ***(Conclusion #9)***

***Reference documents:*** *Concept note*  |
| 10:30 – 10:45 | Coffee Break |
| 10:45 – 11:15 | Progress and Challenges of the National Plan for the Regularization of Foreign Nationals in the Dominican Republic. |
| 11:15 – 12:00 | Time slot for country delegations to present progress on migration and development*.** *Program “We are Mexicans” (Somos Mexicanos).* ***[Lead: Mexico]***
* *Towards the Post 2015 Agenda.* ***[Lead: Mexico]***
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| 12:00 – 13:00 | **Lunch (Los Arcos Room)** |
| **Topic: Human Rights** |
| 13:00 – 13:40 | Migration and Health ***[Lead: TS/Canada]**** *Nicaragua: Possible measures and strategies against Ebola*
* *International Committee of the Red Cross*
* *International Organization for Migration*

*During the last meeting of the RCGM, Held in Managua, Nicaragua, 24-25 June, 2014, Canada proposed to resume this topic within the RCGM. Also, Member Countries and Observer Organizations agreed to provide feedback on this topic, according to their information and statistics during this meeting.****Reference documents:*** *Concept note drafted by Canada*  |
| 13:40 – 14:40 | Follow up on the results of the First Meeting of the Ad-hoc Group on Migrant Children and general discussion on the issue of child migration in the region. ***[Lead: TS]**** *During the XIX Vice-Ministerial Meeting of the RCM, held in Managua, Nicaragua, 26-27 June, 2014, the Vice-Ministers and Heads of Delegation decided to Entrust the Ad-Hoc Group on Mi**grant Children as outlined in the Guatemalan proposal for a Regional Mechanism for the Comprehensive Protection of Migrant and Refugee Boys, Girls and Adolescents, and composed of interested Member Countries, to meet within two months and draft a work plan in accordance with the RCGM’s recommendations.* ***(Decision #2)***
* *The Ad-Hoc Group met 28-29 August in Guatemala City, Guatemala. Member Countries committed to work on the short term activities identified in the matrices resulting from that meeting within the time frame before this meeting of the RCGM and the next meeting of the Ad-Hoc Group.*
* *Also, during the discussion regarding child migration at the last meeting of the RCGM, held in Managua, Nicaragua, 24-25 June, 2014, Member Countries requested the TS to draft a report on the financial implications associated with the establishment of a Liaison Officers Network on Migrant Children, so that the proposal can be considered during this RCGM meeting.* ***(Conclusion #19)***

***Reference documents:**** *Report of the First Meeting of the Ad-hoc Working Group on Migrant Children*
* *Final matrices from the First Meeting of the Ad-hoc Working Group on Migrant Children*
 |
| 14:40 – 15:10 | Time slot for country delegations to present progress on projects and activities related to the human rights of migrants. |
| 15:10 – 15:30 | Presentation of the “Project for the Promotion of Decent Work Conditions for Migrant Workers in Costa Rica” ***[Lead: ILO-Special Invitee]*** |
| 15:30 – 15:50 | Coffee Break |
| 15:50 – 16:00 | Report of the International Organization for Migration (IOM) on the projects implemented in the region. ***[Lead: IOM]*** |
| 16:00 – 16:10 | Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) on the progress related to the international protection of refugees within the region. ***[Lead: UNHCR]*** |
| 16:10 – 16:20 | Intervention of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) ***[Lead: ICRC]*** |
| 16:20 – 16:30 | Proposals of new activities |
| 16:30 – 17:30  | Meeting of the Drafting Committee **(Conclusions and Recommendations)*****[Lead: PPT]*****Venue: Cosigüina Room** |
| 17:30 – 18:00 | Discussion and Approval of Conclusions and Recommendations. ***[Lead:PPT]*****Venue: Mombacho & Telica Rooms** |
| 18:00 – 18:30 | Ceremony to formally hand over the Presidency Pro-Témpore of the RCM from Nicaragua to Mexico. |
| 18:30 – 21:00 | Closing activity |
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**END OF THE PROGRAM**