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His Excellency  
Winston Guno Lackin  
Minister of Foreign Affairs  
Republic of Suriname

Excellency,

I refer to my letter of September 30, 2014, confirming that the Organization of American States (OAS) will observe the upcoming General Elections in Suriname. As is customary, the size and scope of this mission will ultimately depend on the voluntary contributions received from the OAS Member and Observer States.

I take this opportunity to inform you that I am designating Mrs. Irene Klinger, a citizen of Chile, as Chief of Mission. Mrs. Klinger has extensive international experience and has recently served as Senior Advisor of Partnerships and Multi-Sector Collaboration at the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO). An economist with a wealth of experience in international relations and the Inter-American system, Mrs. Klinger was previously the Director of International Affairs at the OAS and the Executive Secretary of the OAS Summit of the Americas Secretariat. In 2010, she served as the Chief of Mission of the OAS Electoral Observation Mission for the General Elections in Suriname.

Mrs. Klinger will be assisted by Mrs. Brenda Santamaria, Specialist of the OAS Department of Electoral Cooperation and Observation (DECO). Mrs. Santamaria has worked for more than 7 years as an OAS staff member on electoral issues, and has also served in more than 35 Electoral Observation Missions within the Americas.

I appreciate the cooperation of you and your staff in providing the requisite support and courtesies to Mrs. Klinger and her team.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

José Miguel Insulza  
Secretary General