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Ms. Judy Benoit
Supervisor of Elections
Parliamentary Elections Office
St. George's, Grenada

Dear Ms. Benoit,

I refer to the Secretary General's letter of January 9, 2013, confirming that the Organization of American States (OAS) will observe the February 19, 2013 General Elections in Grenada.

I take this opportunity to inform you that Ambassador Joshua Sears has been designated as Chief of Mission. He will be assisted by Sara Mía Noguera from the OAS Department of Electoral Observation and Cooperation (DECO), as Deputy Chief of Mission.

Ambassador Sears served for 37 years as an officer of the Government of the Bahamas. He was Permanent Secretary in various ministries, including that of Health and Environment and of Foreign Affairs, and was his country's Ambassador to the United States from 2000 to 2006. During this period, he was also accredited as Ambassador to Mexico and Permanent Representative to the OAS, where he was involved in many policy deliberations.

Ambassador Sears served most recently as Director General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in The Bahamas.



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I therefore appreciate the cooperation of you and your staff in providing the requisite support and courtesies to Ambassador Sears and his team.

Sincerely,

Dr. Betilde Muñoz-Pogossian

Director

Department for Electoral Cooperation and Observation