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CHANDRIKAPERSAD SANTOKHI**



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CHANDRIKAPERSAD SANTOKHI

Dear Principal Representatives, Participants, Observers and Stakeholders of CICAD 49,

We are rapidly approaching the period when the 49th Regular CICAD meeting will be held in Paramaribo, Suriname from 4 to 6 May 2011. The Organizing Committee CICAD 49 Suriname, the Suriname CICAD Desk, the CICAD Secretariat in Washington DC and other bodies have been occupied in the past period and are still occupied to make the 49th CICAD meeting in Suriname a success.

As CICAD Chair it is my pleasure to welcome you to Suriname. In addition to promising you a good stay, good conference facilities, transportation, security, formal and informal programs, I put great store on making you better acquainted with Suriname by way of thanks for the honor bestowed on us to hold the 49th CICAD meeting here in Suriname. Undoubtedly, you will enjoy our natural environment and ethnic diversity directly interrelated to our specific cultures that finds its expression in our varied "cuisine".

In the meantime, the latest version of the 'Information Bulletin' has been sent to you, in which you will find relevant information on how you can best prepare for the trip to Suriname to attend the 49th Regular CICAD Meeting. You should also have received by now the "draft Schedule of Activities" from the CICAD Secretariat in Washington DC. In addition to interesting items to be discussed during the closed session, you will notice that some special activities are included as "side events".

Once more, it is with great pleasure that I welcome you, dear friends, to participate in the OAS-CICAD 49 Conference in Paramaribo, Suriname.

Sincerely yours,

Chandrikapersad Santokhi

CICAD Chair