



SPECIAL COMMUNIQUÉ ON THE EMERGENCY SITUATION IN CENTRAL AMERICA DUE TO TROPICAL DEPRESSIONS

1. The Heads of State and Government of Latin America and the Caribbean, gathered in Caracas, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, on 3rd December 2011, within the framework of the Summit of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC), express their solidarity with the sister Central American Republics affected by the emergency situation that faced their territories as a result of the tropical depression 12 E and Storm Rita, and that have caused more than one hundred deaths, left thousands of persons homeless and inflicted significant damage to housing, crops and basic infrastructure.
2. Offering their condolences to the Governments and Peoples of Central America for the victims of the torrential rains, the States of Latin America and the Caribbean adopt the proposals relating to climate phenomena included in the Comalapa Declaration and manifest their support to the call formulated in that document of 25 October 2011, for the International Community and the relevant organizations to play an active role in the Advisory Group which



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has been convened for December 16th, 2011, in order to contribute to the rehabilitation and reconstruction efforts undertaken by the fraternal peoples of Central America.