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Civil society campaign for the election of members for the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW Committee) of the United Nations 2010

Why CEDAW?

The CEDAW Committee was established with the purpose of examining the progress made in the application of the provisions of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women, in the 183 countries that ratified the Convention.

The Committee comprises 23 experts, elected for four year terms, who fulfil their duties as individual parties rather than as delegates or representatives of their countries of origin.

In 2010, new Members of the CEDAW Committee shall be elected by the Sixteenth Meeting of the States Parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women.

The election shall take place at United Nations Headquarters.

Why do we support the candidancy of Line Bareiro?

Our American continent is the continent with the most extreme inequalities in the world, and women suffer discriminations and exclusions in an aggravated manner. For this reason, we consider CEDAW to be a fundamental tool for making women's rights a reality, as an essential part of human rights.

The Committee of Experts of this Convention plays a crucial role in the monitoring of its effective application by States Parties. Therefore, it is most important that the persons elected count with the required expertise, and that their background and record show solid commitment to the cause of women's rights.

For this motive, we consider that Olinda (Line) Bareiro constitutes an ideal candidate, as she is widely recognised for her responsibility regarding human rights and her work against all form of discrimination, in Paraguay, the Americas and other regions. We know about Line Bareiro's work in a direct manner and are sure that her participation in the CEDAW Committee will contribute towards the strengthening of the Committee's role in service of the rights of women throughout the entire world.

How to Give Your Support:

- BEAR INFLUENCE ON THE VOTE IN OUR COUNTRIES: Feminists in Latin America and Worldwide can influence the vote in our countries by writing each Minister of Foreign Affairs, or interviewing his or her official Representative.
- PROMOTE THIS CANDIDACY: Feminists through out the world, as well as human rights networks and organisations, can support this candidate if knowledgeable of the proposal. Support Line Bareiro by reproducing this material, writing us letters of support (see the sample letter of support in the website), and sending this information to all contacts in different countries.



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