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"CALL FOR COORDINATED UN ACTION IN SUPPORT OF THE OAS HAITI ROADMAP" (Joint Statement by Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, The Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominica, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, the United States, and Uruguay)

[Washington, DC, September 9, 2025]



UNITED STATES PERMANENT MISSION TO THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE WASHINGTON, D.C. 20520

September 11, 2025

His Excellency Ambassador Stuart Savage Permanent Representative of Canada, and Chair of the Permanent Council of the Organization of American States

Excellency:

On behalf of the Permanent Missions of Haiti and the United States to the Organization of American States, I have the honor to write you to respectfully request the circulation to all delegations of the attached joint statement, "Call for Coordinated UN Action in Support of the OAS Haiti Roadmap."

The statement underscores the grave threat posed by organized criminal gangs in Haiti—violence that endangers lives, undermines stability, and threatens regional peace and security—and calls for decisive, coordinated measures, including at the United Nations Security Council, to establish a secure environment for Haitian-led solutions. It reaffirms that humanitarian assistance, democratic governance, and the dismantling of gangs must proceed hand-in-hand under a coherent UN—OAS—CARICOM framework, in line with OAS General Assembly resolution AG/RES. 3039 (LV-O/25).

We would be grateful if you could share this statement promptly with all OAS delegations through the usual channels. We deeply appreciate Canada's leadership as Chair and your continued partnership in mobilizing hemispheric and UN support for Haiti at this critical moment.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of our highest consideration.

Sincerely,

Mr. Lee Lipton

Interim U.S. Permanent Representative to

the OAS

(on behalf of the Permanent Missions of Haiti and the United States to the OAS)

 $\textbf{Attachment:} \ \textbf{Joint Statement} - \textit{``Call for Coordinated UN Action in Support of the OAS Haiti Roadmap''}$

Cc: Ambassador Laura Gil, Assistant Secretary General

JOINT STATEMENT BY ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA, ARGENTINA, THE BAHAMAS, BARBADOS, BELIZE, BOLIVIA, BRAZIL, CANADA, CHILE, COLOMBIA, COSTA RICA, DOMINICA, THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, ECUADOR, EL SALVADOR, GRENADA, GUATEMALA, GUYANA, HAITI, HONDURAS, JAMAICA, MEXICO, PANAMA, PARAGUAY, PERU, SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS, SAINT LUCIA, SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES, SURINAME, TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO, THE UNITED STATES, AND URUGUAY

"CALL FOR COORDINATED UN ACTION IN SUPPORT OF THE OAS HAITI ROADMAP"

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- 1. We, the signatories as member states of the Organization of American States (OAS), reaffirm our solidarity with the Haitian people, our respect for Haiti's sovereignty, and our commitment to supporting Haiti at this critical moment in line with the resolution "Calling for Concrete Solutions to be brought to bear as a Matter of Urgency to Resolve the Grave Security and Institutional Crisis in Haiti" (AG/RES. 3039 (LV-O/25) adopted during the 55th OAS General Assembly.
- 2. On August 20, the OAS Permanent Council received the Secretary General's presentation of the updated Haiti Roadmap ("Towards a Haitian-Led Roadmap for Stability and Peace with Regional and International Support"). This Haitian-led, internationally supported framework in development with Haitian authorities, the United Nations, and Inter-American partners sets security as the enabling condition for humanitarian response and the restoration of democratic governance through free and fair elections and introduces practical mechanisms for coordination, transparency, and resource mobilization to reduce duplication and drive a coherent response.
- 3. We recognize the United Nations' central role in promoting and maintaining international peace and security. We recognize also that violence perpetrated by organized criminal groups and gangs in Haiti, even outside of armed conflict, threatens lives and livelihoods as well as regional peace and security. In that spirit, we support the establishment of a UN Support Office for Haiti (UNSOH) and a transition of the Multinational Security Support (MSS) mission to a new force that is focused on the establishment of a safe and stable environment, for Haitian authorities to restore and maintain the rule of law, including through dismantling gangs.
- 4. We pay tribute to Kenya for leading the MSS mission, as well as to the Bahamas, Belize, El Salvador, Guatemala, and Jamaica for contributing personnel.
- 5. Considering that peace requires more than security operations, we will support Haitian-led efforts to address the root causes and drivers of violence, weak democratic institutions, corruption, poverty, and persistent striking social inequalities, as well as limited access to education and essential public services.
- 6. We highlight the important role of the OAS in strengthening institutional and operational capacities through a civil humanitarian and human rights approach while fully respecting Haitian leadership, national democratic institutionality, and international legal norms with particular attention to addressing sexual violence and protecting women, children, and members of other vulnerable groups.

- 7. We, as member states of the OAS, stand ready to work in partnership, according to national capabilities and in line with OAS mandates, with the United Nations and with Haiti to advance the OAS Haiti Roadmap and support the Haitian people.
- 8. We encourage voluntary contributions to the UN Trust Fund to support the new force to be established by the UNSC. We also welcome complementary support via the OAS SECURE-Haiti platform for HNP enablement, consistent with the UN framework.
- 9. We reaffirm that Haiti's path forward must remain Haitian-led, with the full ownership of its institutions and civil society. Humanitarian assistance, long term socio-economic development, the protection of members of vulnerable groups, and respect for human rights and international law must remain at the core of our collective effort. The OAS, CARICOM, and the UN must act in full coordination to ensure coherence, legitimacy, and effectiveness.
- 10. Today, we send a united hemispheric message: Haiti cannot wait. The time for decisive, coordinated action is now.