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**Regional seminar on climate change for the parliaments of
Latin America and the Caribbean**

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Dear Madam Speaker,
Dear Mr. Speaker,

It is our great pleasure to invite your Parliament to the Regional Seminar on Climate Change for the Parliaments of Latin America and the Caribbean. This event, to be held in Montevideo, Uruguay from 28-30 June 2022, is being jointly organized by the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) and the Parliament of Uruguay. This in-person event will be held alongside the IPU Executive Committee meeting which will take place in Montevideo during the same week. This seminar will also celebrate the 133rd anniversary of the IPU which occurs on 30 June 2022.

The climate crisis poses an existential threat to all humankind. Latin America and the Caribbean is one of the world's most at-risk regions. Urgent action is needed to minimize the most catastrophic impacts of climate change. Recognizing the critical role that parliaments play in climate action, the IPU and the Parliament of Uruguay will convene parliamentarians from across the region to exchange best practices, experiences and lessons learned on addressing the climate crisis in Latin America and the Caribbean. The seminar will provide a platform for inter-parliamentary dialogue on key climate change topics, including adaptation, food security, the rights of indigenous people, and national progress on implementing the Paris Agreement. Together, we aim to find joint solutions for a climate-resilient and more sustainable future.

We trust that your Parliament will be represented at the seminar. Parliaments may send delegations of up to three members (four members for bicameral parliaments) including parliamentarians and parliamentary staff who work directly on climate change-related topics. Parliaments are encouraged to send gender-balanced delegations and include parliamentarians who represent different political affiliations. The working languages will be Spanish and English.

We are pleased to enclose the concept note, a general information note and registration form. The registration form should be completed and sent to the GRULAC Secretariat with a copy to the IPU Secretariat by **14 June 2022**. The programme for the event will be sent out in due course. Further information about the Regional Seminar will be posted on www.ipu.org as it becomes available.

We look forward to welcoming you in Montevideo.

Yours sincerely,

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IPU Secretary General

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President of the General Assembly and Senate
of Uruguay