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GRULAC positions in the
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GRULAC Bureau

(October 2025 – October 2027)



PRESIDENT OF GRULAC: MR. ROJO EDWARDS (CHILE)



FIRST VICE PRESIDENT: MR. RABINDRE PARMESAN (SURINAME)



SECOND VICE PRESIDENT: MS. ROCÍO ABED (PARAGUAY)

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:



MR. CLAUDIO CAJADO (BRAZIL)
(OCTOBER 2027)

VACANT: VACANCY LEFT BY MS. MARÍA DEL CARMEN ALVA PRIETO (PERU), WHO CEASED TO BE A MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT. HER TERM WAS DUE TO END IN OCTOBER 2028.



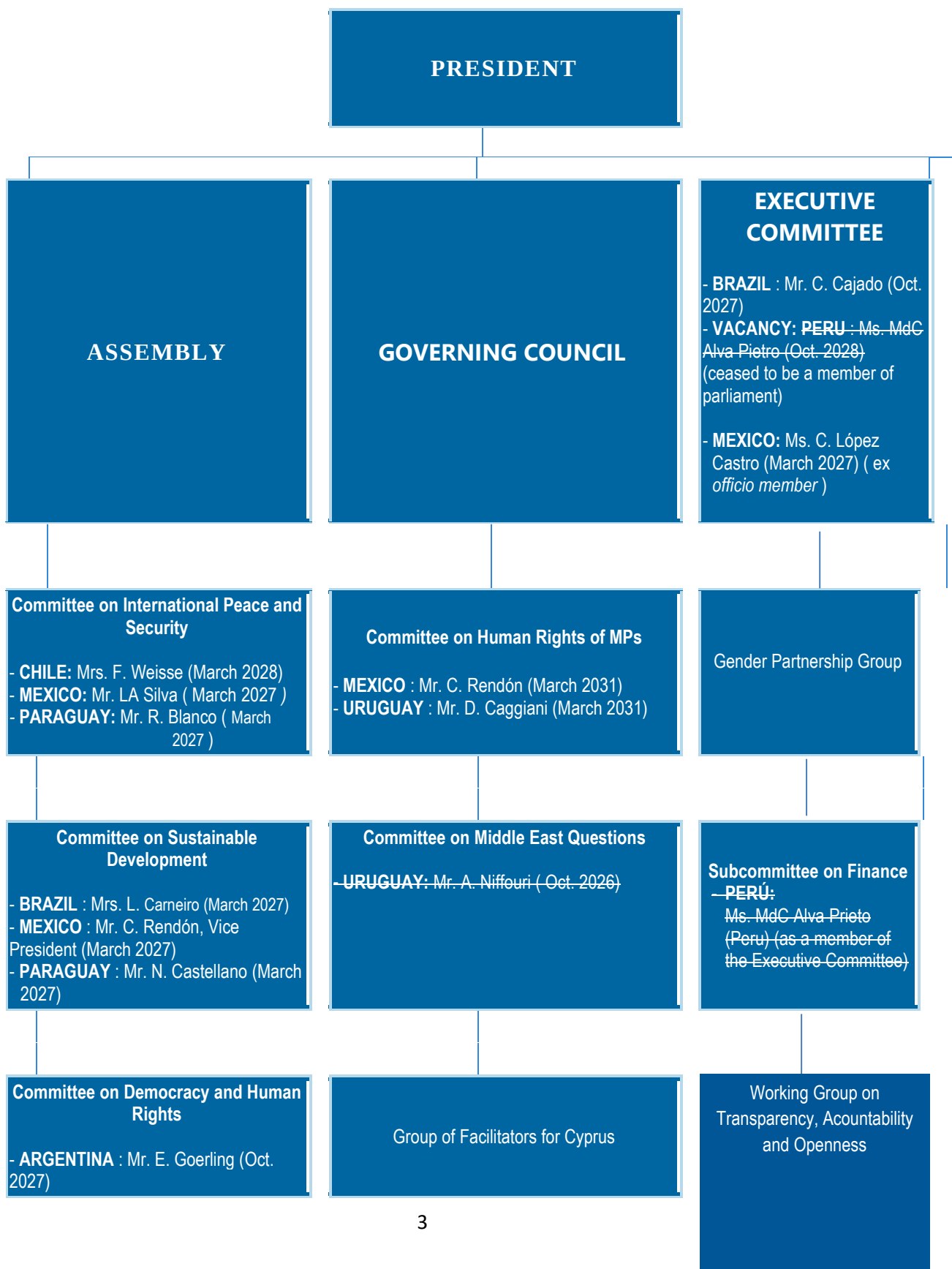
MRS. CYNTHIA LÓPEZ CASTRO (MEXICO) - EX- OFFICIO MEMBER
(MARCH 2027)

SECRETARIAT :

MR. OSCAR PIQUINELA , GENERAL SECRETARY
MS. CARINA GALVALISI , SECRETARY



GRULAC's positions within the IPU's organizational structure



- GUYANA : Mr. W. McCoy (March 2027)
- PARAGUAY: Mrs. R. Abed (Oct. 2027)

Committee on UN Affairs

- ECUADOR: Ms. V. Centeno, President (Oct. 2027)
- ~~VACANCY PERU: Mr. E. Bustamante (Oct. 2026)~~
- PARAGUAY: Mr. M. Salinas (March 2028)

Committee to Promote Respect for International Humanitarian Law

- ~~VACANCY: PERU : Mr. A. Paredes (Oct. 2026)~~
- CHILE: Mrs. L. Carvajal (Oct. 2027)

Committee on Health

- MEXICO : Mrs. S. Ávila (March 2029)

High-Level Advisory Group on Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism

- MEXICO : Mrs. M. Guerra – President (March 2027)
- SURINAM : A. Gajadien (Oct. 2029)
- BOLIVIA : Mr. C. Arrien (Oct. 2027)

Forum of Women Parliamentarians Bureau

- MEXICO : Mrs. C. López Castro - President (March 2027)
- DOMINICAN REPUBLIC : Mrs. MM Ortiz (March 2029)
- ECUADOR : Mrs. P. Aguirre (March 2029)
- GUYANA : Mrs. V. Persaud (March 2027)
- ~~VACANCY: PERU: Ms. MdC Alva Prieto (ex-officio member , in her capacity as a member of the Executive Committee)~~

Forum of Young Parliamentarians Bureau

- URUGUAY : Mrs. J. Sierra (March 2027)
- ~~VACANCY: PERU : Mr. W. Soto (March 2027) (ceased to be a member of parliament)~~

Working Group on Science and Technology

- **VACANCY** (~~Ms. M. Seymour—Bahamas—~~
ceased to be a Member of Parliament)
- **MEXICO** : Mr. S. Monreal Ávila (March 2029)
- **URUGUAY** : Mrs. B. Rodríguez (Oct. 2029)



GRULAC

DISTRIBUTION OF POSITIONS BY COUNTRY

Members (28 members)

ARGENTINA (1)



1. Mr. E. GOERLING – Member, Bureau, Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights (October 2027)

BAHAMAS (0)

BELIZE (0)

BOLIVIA (1)



1. Mr. C. ARRIEN – Member, High-Level Consultative Group on Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism (October 2027)

BRAZIL (2)



1. Mr. C. CAJADO – Member, Executive Committee (October 2027)



2. Ms. L. CARNEIRO – Member, Bureau, Committee on Sustainable Development (March 2027)

COLOMBIA (0)

COSTA RICA (0)

CUBA (0)

CHILE (2)



Mr. R. EDWARDS - PRESIDENT of GRULAC (October 2027) – *this position is not counted*



1. Ms. L. CARVAJAL - Member, Committee to Promote Respect for International Humanitarian Law (October 2027)



2. Ms. F. WEISSE - Member, Bureau, Standing Committee on International Peace and Security (March 2028)

ECUADOR (2)



1. Ms. P. AGUIRRE – Member, Bureau, Forum of Women Parliamentarians (March 2029)



2. Ms. V. CENTENO – Chair, Bureau of the Fourth Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs (October 2027)

EL SALVADOR (0)

GUATEMALA (0)

GUYANA (2)



1. Mrs. V. PERSAUD – Member, Board of Directors, Forum of Women Parliamentarians (March 2027)



2. Mr. W. McCOY – Member, Board of Directors, Third Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights (April 2027)

HAITI (0) – rights suspended

HONDURAS (0) – rights suspended

JAMAICA (0)

MEXICO (5)



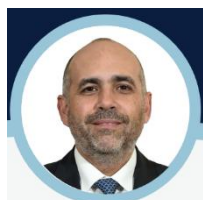
1. Ms. C. LÓPEZ CASTRO –President of the Bureau of the Forum of Women Parliamentarians; Ex- officio Member of the Executive Committee (March 2027)



2. Ms. M. GUERRA – Chair, High-Level Advisory Group on Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism (March 2027)



3. Mr. LA SILVA – Member, Bureau, First Standing Committee on Peace and International Security (March 2027)



4. Mr. C. RENDÓN – Vice President, Bureau, Second Standing Committee on Sustainable Development (March 2027) and Member of the Committee of Human Rights of MPs (March 2031) – *this position is not counted as it is held in an individual capacity*



5. Mr. S. MONREAL ÁVILA – Member, Working Group on Science and Technology (March 2029)



- **Ms. S. ÁVILA** – Member, Health Committee (March 2029) – *this position is not counted as it is an individual position*

NICARAGUA (0)

PANAMA (0)

PARAGUAY (4)



1. **Mr. M. SALINAS** – Member, Bureau, Fourth Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs (March 2028)



2. **Mr. N. CASTELLANO** – Member, Bureau, Second Standing Committee on Sustainable Development (March 2027)



3. **Mr. R. BLANCO** – Member, Bureau, First Standing Committee on Peace and International Security (March 2027)



4. **Ms. R. ABED** – Second Vice-President of GRULAC (*this position is not counted*) and Member, Bureau, Third Standing Committee on Democracy and Human Rights (October 2027)

PERU (0)

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (1)



1. **Ms. MM ORTIZ** – Member, Bureau, Women Parliamentarians Forum (March 2029)

SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES (0)

SAINT LUCIA (0)

SURINAM (1)



Mr. R. PARMESSAR – First Vice-President of GRULAC - *this position is not counted*



1. Mr. A. GAJADIEN – Member, High-Level Advisory Group on Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism (October 2029)

TRINITY AND TOBAGO (0)

URUGUAY (2)



1. Ms. J. SIERRA – Member, Bureau, Forum of Young Parliamentarians (March 2027)



2. Ms. B. RODRÍGUEZ – Member, Working Group on Science and Technology (October 2029)



- Mr. D. CAGGIANI – Member, Committee on Human Rights of Parliamentarians (March 2031) – *this position is not counted as it is held in an individual capacity*

VENEZUELA (0) (rights suspended)

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GRULAC authorities from 2000 to the present

October 2025 – October 2027

- **President:** Rojo Edwards (Chile)
- **First Vice President:** Rabindre PARMESSAR (Suriname)
- **Second Vice President:** Rocío ABED (Paraguay)

October 2023 – October 2025

- **Interim President:** Manzoor Nadir (Guyana) from 1 September 2024 – *assumes the Presidency in his capacity as First Vice President, replacing Ms. Sofia Carvajal (Mexico) who is no longer a member of parliament*
- **President:** Sofia CARVAJAL (Mexico) until August 31, 2024
- **First Vice President:** Manzoor NADIR (Guyana)
- **First Vice President:** Lucila Crexell (Argentina) – Second Vice President until October 2024, when she assumes the **First Vice Presidency**
- **Second Vice President:** Rojo Edwards (Chile) assumes the position in October 2024, as Senator Crexell (Argentina) moves to the First Vice Presidency. *As stipulated by President Manzoor Nadir, Senator Rojo Edwards will serve on the Board of Directors until the end of the term. Prior to extending the invitation, the President consulted with the members present.*

November 2021 – October 2023

- **Interim President:** Atila Lins (Brazil) from July 1, 2023 – *assumes the Presidency in his capacity as First Vice President*
- **President:** Blas LLANO (Paraguay) – until June 30, 2023 (ceased to be a member of parliament)
- **First Vice President:** Atila LINS (Brazil)
- **Second Vice President:** Sofia CARVAJAL (Mexico)

October 2019 – November 2021

- **Interim President:** Blas Llano (Paraguay) - *assumes the Presidency following the resignation of Senator Urtubey (Argentina)*
- **First Vice President:** Delsa Solórzano (Venezuela) – *(assumes the First Vice Presidency by previous agreement between Paraguay and Venezuela) – ceased to be a parliamentarian in January 2021*
- **Second Vice President:** Iván FLORES (Chile)

In October 2020, the GRULAC Board of Directors was not renewed due to the impossibility of holding in-person elections because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

October 2018 – October 2019

- **President:** Rodolfo URTUBEY (Argentina) – *on 3/10/19 he resigned from the Presidency of GRULAC for not running for re-election as a legislator in his parliament*
- **First Vice President:** Blas Llano (Paraguay)
- **Second Vice President:** Iván FLORES (Chile)

October 2016 – October 2018

- **President (July 2017-October 2018):** Rodolfo Urtubey (Argentina) – *by virtue of the resignation from the GRULAC Presidency of Sen. Ivonne Passada (Uruguay), assumes the interim Presidency of GRULAC in his capacity as First Vice-President*
- **President (October 2016-July 2017):** Ivonne PASSADA - *He resigned from the GRULAC Presidency to run for the IPU Presidency.*
- **First Vice President:** Rodolfo URTUBEY (Argentina)
- **Second Vice President (October 2017 – October 2018):** Melvin Bouva (Suriname)
- **Second Vice President (October 2016 – October 2017):** María Augusta CALLE (Ecuador) – *She ceased to be a legislator before the end of her term in the GRULAC, which was scheduled to end in October 2017.*

October 2014 – October 2016

- **President:** Roberto LEÓN (Chile)
- **First Vice President (October 2015-October 2016):** Fernando BUSTAMANTE (Ecuador)
- **First Vice President (October 2014-October 2015):** Juan Manuel GALÁN (Colombia)
- **Second Vice President:** Rodolfo URTUBEY (Argentina)

October 2012 – October 2014

- **Interim President (May 2013 – October 2014):** Roberto LEÓN (Chile) – *assumes the Presidency in his capacity as First Vice President*
- **President (October 2012 – May 2013):** Fernando CORDERO CUEVA (Ecuador) – *resigns from his position as parliamentarian to assume functions in the Executive Branch*
- **First Vice President (October 2012-October 2014):** Roberto LEÓN (Chile)
- **Second Vice President:** Sigfrido Reyes (El Salvador)

October 2009 – October 2012

- **President:** Carlos JIMÉNEZ MACÍAS (Mexico)
- **Vice President:** Yanielys REGUEIFEROS (Cuba)
- **Vice President:** Atila LINS (Brazil)
- **Vice President (October 2009-May 2010):** Federico Tinoco (Costa Rica)

October 2006 – October 2009

- **President:** Darío Vivas (Venezuela)
- **Vice President (October 2008-October 2009):** Rafael MACHUCA (El Salvador)
- **Vice President:** Mónica XAVIER (Uruguay) (2006: Interim President)

October 2003 – October 2005

- **President:** Zury Ríos Montt (Guatemala)

October 2002 – October 2003

- **President:** Juan MÁSPOLI (Uruguay)

October 2000 – October 2002

- **President:** Juan MÁSPOLI (Uruguay)



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Presidents of the IPU

EUROPEAN GROUP

1909 - 1912	August BEERNAERT (Belgium)	4 years
1912 - 1922	Lord WEARDALE (United Kingdom)	10 years
1922 - 1928	Theodor ADELSWARD (Sweden)	6 years
1928 - 1934	Fernand BOUISSON (France)	6 years
1934 - 1947	Henry CARTON DE WIART (Belgium)	13 years old
1947 - 1957	Viscount STANSFORD (United Kingdom)	10 years
1957 - 1962	Giuseppe CODACCI - PISANELLI (Italy)	5 years
1968 - 1973	André CHANDERNAGOR (France)	5 years
1976 - 1979	Sir Thomas WILLIAMS (United Kingdom)	3 years
1982 - 1983 (mar)	Johannes VIROLAINEN (Finland)	6 months
1983 (Mar - Oct)	Emile CUVELIER (Belgium) at	7 months
1985 (set.)	Sir John PAGE (Kingdom United) ai .	5 months
1991 - 1994	Sir Michael MARSHALL (United Kingdom)	3 years
1985 - 1988	Hans STERCKEN (Federal Republic of Germany)	3 years
1997 - 1999	Miguel Angel MARTINEZ (Spain)	3 years
2005-2008	Pier Ferdinando CASINI (Italy)	3 years
2020 - 2023	Duarte PACHECO (Portugal)	3 years

17 Presidents, 78.5 years

GROUP OF LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN – GRULAC

1962 - 1967	Ranieri MAZZILLI (Brazil)	3 years
1979 - 1982	Rafael CALDERA (Venezuela)	3 years
2002 - 2005	Sergio PAEZ (Chile)	3 years
2017 - 2020	Gabriela CUEVAS (Mexico)	3 years

4 Presidents, 12 years

ASIA-PACIFIC GROUP

1973 - 1976	Gurdial Singh DHILLON (India)	3 years
1999 - 2002	Najma HEPTULLA (India)	3 years
2014 - 2017	Saber CHOWDHURY (Bangladesh)	3 years

3 Presidents, 9 years

AFRICAN AND ARAB GROUP

1967 - 1968	Abderrhman ABDENNEBI (Tunisia)	18 months
1983 - 1985 (April)	Izz El Din EL SAYED (Sudan)	3 years
1988 - 1991	Daouda SOW (Senegal)	3 years
1994 - 1997	Ahmed FATHY SOROUR (Egypt)	3 years
2008 - 2011	Theo -Ben GURIRAB (Namibia)	3 years
2011 - 2014	Abdelwahad RADI (Morocco)	3 years
2023-2026	Tulia ACKSON (Tanzania)	3 years

7 Presidents 1 9.5 years

TOTAL:	31 Presidents , 119 years
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Members of the Executive Committee representing GRULAC

ARGENTINA (SOUTH AMERICA)

- ◆ 1960 – 1962 Mr. RA Wiedmann
- ◆ 1995 – 1999 Mr. Eduardo Menem

BRAZIL (SOUTH AMERICA)

- ◆ 1956 – 1960 Mr. S. Braga
- ◆ 1962 – 1967 Mr. R. Mazzili – UIP President
- ◆ 1976 – 1980 Mr. C. Borja
- ◆ 2003 – 2007 Mr. Jose Jorge / H. Fortes
- ◆ 2015 – 2019 Mr. Atila Lins
- ◆ 2023 – 2027 Mr. Claudio Cajado

CUBA (CARIBBEAN)

- ◆ 2004 – 2008 Mrs. Kenia Serrano
- ◆ 2016 – 2020 Mrs. Yolanda Ferrer

CHILE (SOUTH AMERICA)

- ◆ 1962 – 1964 Mr. F. Galleguillos
- ◆ 1972 – 1973 Mr. Aguirre (Coup d'état September 1973 prevents him from fulfilling his mandate)
- ◆ 1991 – 1995 Mr. Sergio Páez
- ◆ 2002 – 2005 Mr. Sergio Páez – President of the UIP
- ◆ 2007 – 2011 Mr. Juan Antonio Coloma/Mrs. Marie Antoinette Saa
- ◆ 2019-2022 Mr. Juan Pablo Letelier (March)
- ◆ 2022 – 2023 Mr. Iván Flores completes the term of Mr. JP Letelier

GUATEMALA (MESOAMERICA)

- ◆ 1987 – 1990 Mrs. Marina Molina Rubio
- ◆ 1991 Mr. Edmund Mulet Lesieur leaves his post to take up the position of Minister
- ◆ 2000 – 2004 Mrs. Zury Ríos-Montt

MEXICO (MESOAMERICA)

- ◆ 1973 – 1976 Mr. A. Carrillo (1973 – 1975), completing the position with Mr. Víctor Manzanilla (1975-1976)
- ◆ 1996 – 2000 Mr. Gustavo Carvajal (1996-1998), completing the position Senator F. Solana (1998 – 2000)
- ◆ 2008 – 2012 Senator Ángel Alonso Díaz Caneja

NICARAGUA (MESOAMERICA)

- ◆ 1988 – 1992 Mr. Núñez Tellez (1988-1990), completing the position with Mrs. M. Argüello Morales (1990 – 1992)

PERU (SOUTH AMERICA)

- ◆ 1968 Mr. LA Sánchez
- ◆ 2024 – 2026 Mrs. María del Carmen Alva Prieto

URUGUAY (SOUTH AMERICA)

- ◆ 1999 – 2003 Mr. Jaime Trobo (1999 – 2000), leaving the position to become Minister and then being replaced by Mr. W. Abdala to complete the term (2000 – 2003)
- ◆ 2011 – 2015 Mrs. Ivonne Passada
- ◆ 2020 – 2024 Ms. Beatriz Argimón

VENEZUELA (SOUTH AMERICA)

- ◆ 1969 – 1972 Mr. R. Carpio Castillo
- ◆ 1979 – 1982 Mr. Rafael Caldera – President of the IPU
- ◆ 1984 – 1988 Mr. R. Carpio Castillo
- ◆ 1992 – 1996 Mrs. Haidé Castillo de Lopez
- ◆ 2012 – 2016 Mr. Darío Vivas

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Note: In 1976, Latin America had no organized representation. From 1976 to 1987, there was no Latin American representative on the Executive Committee. Representation was restored with the election of Ms. Marina Molino Rubio (Guatemala), the first woman to hold a position on the Executive Committee.