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*Embassy of Chile
Copenhagen*

The Ambassador

Copenhagen, 19 of January, 2011

Hon. M.P.
Mr. Thor Pedersen
President of the Parliament
Copenhagen

Dear Mr. Pedersen:

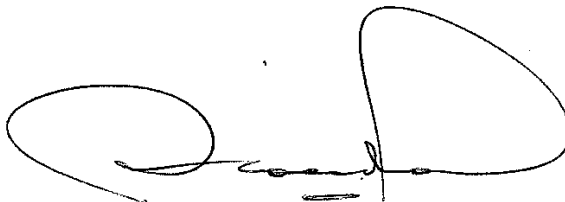
I am addressing you in order to reiterate the invitation recently extended to you by the President of the Chamber of Deputies of Chile, Honorable Mrs. Alejandra Sepúlveda, for members of the Parliament of Denmark to participate in the International Seminar on "Feminization of Poverty", to be held in Valparaiso, between 5 and 8 of March, as part of the celebrations on the International Women's Day.

Given the high degree of participation of women in Danish society, it would be very appreciated in Chile if some Danish MP's could take part in this activity, which will have simultaneous translation into English.

I am also enclosing you the program of the Seminar in English. Additional information can be also found at www.camara.cl.

I appreciate your positive response and I will be glad to answer further questions on the matter, if needed.

Sincerely yours,



Ricardo Concha
Ambassador of Chile

International Seminar on the Feminization of Poverty

Program of the Seminar

Words of Welcome

President of the Chamber of Deputies: Mrs Alejandra Sepúlveda Orbenes

Keynote Address

by a world renowned political figure known for his/her work in the area of public policies related to poverty

PANELS

I. GLOBAL PANORAMA and RELEVANT LOCAL CASES

Globalization and exclusion; Poverty in developing countries; Sociocultural factors and limitations; Feminization of Poverty; Gender identity; Multidimensionality of the phenomena.

- Current situation, international resolutions, and trends
- Statistical information

Specialists on the issues, who come from international organizations, civil society, government, academia, and parliamentary settings.

Moderator: A deputy from the Committee on Overcoming Poverty

Three presenters who stimulate debate on relevant issues

30 total panel participants: 10 foreign parliamentarians; 7 national parliamentarians; 3 from the public sector; 5 from academic institutions; 5 from civil society.

II. EVOLUTION OF THE FAMILY STRUCTURE, EVOLUTION OF FEMALE POVERTY, AND RESOURCES WITHIN HOUSEHOLDS

Evolution of the composition of the household; Number of income earners; Reality of the female head of household; Distribution of wealth and income within the household and the effect on family outcomes; Intra-household access to resources and consumption patterns.

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III. WOMEN, WORK, AND EDUCATION

Female participation in the labor force; Job insecurity; Valuing housework; Female labor migration; Salary differences between men and women; Unionization and collective bargaining of women workers; Feminization of sectors and occupations; Relationship between educational level and the labor market; Training and its correlation with the nature of employment.

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IV. SOCIAL POLICIES and NORMATIVE FRAMEWORK

Initiatives to promote the employment of women; Family reconciliation policies and work; Poverty among indigenous populations ; Poverty among elderly women; Reproductive health policies; Family care for an aging population.

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PLENARY SESSION

CONCLUSIONS and FUTURE LINES OF ACTION

Public Policy Recommendations

Issues to be considered:
The proposals of the various panels

Closing Words

Declaration of Valparaiso