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Progressive commitment to women's rights and their full political participation

The Progressive Alliance of the Americas expresses its deep concern about the many problems affecting women in Latin America, including their limited representation in political leadership, various forms of gender-based violence (digital, economic, political, sexual, among others), and the particular vulnerability they face in contexts of conflict and authoritarianism, as in the cases of Haiti, Nicaragua, and Venezuela. We also denounce the unjust imprisonment of women for political reasons and demand their immediate release.

Although some countries, such as Bolivia, Mexico, and Costa Rica, have made progress in political participation through a greater number of women in elected office, structural barriers persist that restrict their access to decision-making spaces and limit their ability to influence. The lack of effective public policies on gender equality and equity, and the persistence of cultural stereotypes remain urgent obstacles to overcome in order to achieve truly equitable representation.

In relation to the different expressions of violence, online gender-based violence and hate speech have become one of the most widespread and far-reaching forms of violence, especially among the younger population. This violation undermines women's dignity, well-being, and participation in public life. Cases in countries such as Argentina and Colombia show how digital harassment and threats on social media have silenced important voices in the political and social spheres.

In light of this situation, it is essential that States adopt robust regulatory frameworks that punish all forms of violence and, at the same time, develop comprehensive gender-responsive policies that address the poverty and inequalities affecting women and girls. These policies must guarantee protection, inclusion, and real opportunities that strengthen their economic autonomy and their full capacity to exercise their rights, thereby contributing to the development of our societies.



The Alliance reiterates the commitment of progressive forces in the region to promoting and guaranteeing the human rights of women and girls, promoting the creation of safe spaces that allow for the development of their capacities and their full participation in all social, political, and economic spheres. In this regard, we urge Latin American governments to implement comprehensive policies that reverse insufficient progress and the worrying regression in women's rights, expressed in the masculinization of politics, persistent violence, the overload of unpaid work, exclusion from spaces of power, and the lack of resources for gender-focused policies.

The urgency today lies in transforming commitments into effective actions, ensuring that resources reach the women and girls most affected. As progressive forces, we call on our governments and parties to prioritize the financing of public policies and investments with a gender perspective that strengthen women's leadership and guarantee an environment free of violence. Only through a joint, sustained, and committed effort will it be possible to guarantee a future in which women fully exercise their rights and contribute decisively to the social, political, and economic development of our nations.