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DECLARATION CONCERNING THE CALLING OF ELECTIONS TO THE SENATE ANNOUNCED BY THE DE FACTO GOVERNMENT OF HAITI

(Approved by the Permanent Council at the meeting held on January 13, 1993)

In the face of the announcement by the de facto Government of Haiti that it has called elections to the Senate in the days ahead, the Permanent Council of the Organization of American States expresses its repudiation at that act because it is illegitimate and because it clearly obstructs the most recent efforts being made by the Organization of American States as well as the United Nations to bring about the restoration of the democratic institutional framework in Haiti.

The Permanent Council expresses once again its concern over the continuing serious human rights violations in Haiti and over the de facto authorities' refusal to permit a visit by the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights to that country. It reiterates the appeal made by the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the member states to urge all Haitian sectors to engage in a serious political dialogue within the framework of the Constitution, a dialogue that is necessary to the reestablishment of the democratic institutional framework in Haiti.

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