

LAUNCH OF THE PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE DECADE FOR PERSONS OF AFRICAN DESCENT IN THE AMERICAS (2016-2025)

**26 July 2016
Room B**

Agenda

Moderator: Dra. Gina Watson (PWR/COL)

10:00 am **Opening remarks**
Dr. Carissa Etienne, Director, PAHO/WHO

10:10 am **The International Decade for People of African Descent**
Mr. Pastor Murillo Martinez, Independent Expert, United Nations
Committee for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

10:20 – 10:45 am **Plan of Action for the Decade for Persons of African Descent in the Americas: Opportunities and challenges**

Mr. Andres Gonzalez Diaz, Permanent Representative of Colombia to the
Organization of American States

Ms. Betilde Muñoz, Director of the Department of Social Inclusion, OAS

Ms. Zakiya Carr Johnson, Senior Advisor of the Race, Ethnicity, and Social
Inclusion Unit, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, U.S. Department
of State

10:45 -10:50 am **Closing remarks**
Dr. Francisco Becerra, Assistant Director, PAHO/WHO

10:50 -11:15 am **Refreshment**
At the lobby

Translation in English and Spanish will be provided.



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