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The Secretariats of regional and integration organizations: Latin American Economic System - SELA, Association of Caribbean States - ACS, Central American Integration System - SICA, Andean Community - CAN, Latin American Integration Association - ALADI, Community of Caribbean States - CARICOM and Bolivarian Alliance for the Peoples of Our America - Peoples' Trade Agreement - ALBA-TCP; participating as observers of the III Summit of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC) and the European Union (EU), in Brussels on July 17 and 18, 2023.

We express our commitment to support and strengthen the actions of our memberships to renew, promote, and consolidate the bi-regional partnership with the EU, through a constructive and permanent dialogue with full respect for the sovereignty of the peoples, their economic, social, and cultural diversity, within the framework of the Summit Declaration.

We agreed to deepen the strategic alliance of our integration schemes in the identification and definition of areas of action, cooperation, capacity building, and regional projection, through the construction of a programmatic matrix that allows us to identify areas of interest and mutual collaboration, with the objective to optimizing efforts and resources to respond with concrete actions to the needs of Latin America and the Caribbean.

The aim is to effectively promote cooperation and convergence among the various regional actors with other international actors, and with the European Union, to promote integration for the sustainable development of Latin America and the Caribbean.

Brussels, July 18, 2023