



## **Network of Women Parliamentarians of the Americas**

### **ACTION PLAN 2008-2009**

**proposed by Flor María Ríos, Network President  
and Member of the National Assembly of Venezuela**

The President's action plan sets out thematic directions for the Network and comprises three separate parts, one for each of the priorities identified by the President.

#### **1. Education and public awareness campaign on violence against women**

- Systematic inclusion of an item regarding violence against women on the agenda of the Network's statutory meetings
- Organization of a special event at the National Assembly of Venezuela on the occasion of International Women's Day in March 2009
- Designation of a rapporteur on the subject of violence against women
- Sharing of information among the members of the Network
- Addition of a page entitled "Ending violence against women" under "Work themes" on the Network's website, and dissemination of information

#### **2. Promotion of the Network throughout the Americas**

- Recruitment of new members throughout the Americas by means of missions promoting the Network and its activities
- Distribution of promotional material during missions of the President
- Preparation and distribution to the local media of press releases on the activities of both the Network and the President
- Participation in the activities of other regional organizations

#### **3. Development of and follow up on the work themes identified at the 7th Annual Meeting**

- Changes in Women's Participation in Politics 1999-2009: Situation and Outlook
- The Impact of the Bolivarian Alternative for the Americas (ALBA) on Women
- Human Trafficking in the Americas
- The Implementation of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) and its Optional Protocol in the Americas