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NOTE FROM THE PERMANENT MISSION OF ECUADOR PRESENTING CANDIDACY FOR THE POSITION OF FIRST VICE CHAIR OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION FOR THE 2021-2024 TERM

PERMANENT MISSION OF ECUADOR

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#  Human Mobility

 Permanent Mission to the OAS in Washington

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The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the Organization of American States presents its compliments to the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development – Department of Human Development, Education and Employment – with reference to the election of officers of the Inter-American Committee on Education, during the Ninth Meeting of the CIE that will be held virtually from October 14 to 15, 2021.

In that connection, this Permanent Mission has the honor to forward herewith Official Correspondence No. MINEDUC-MINEDUC-2021-01065-OF, whereby the Ministry of Education of Ecuador announces its decision to submit its candidacy for First Vice Chair of the Inter-American Committee on Education (CIE) of the OAS for the 2021-2024 term.

The Permanent Mission of Ecuador to the Organization of American States avails itself of this opportunity to convey to the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development – Department of Human Development, Education, and Employment – renewed assurances of its highest consideration.

## Washington D.C., September 20, 2021

To the

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###  Correspondence No. MINEDUC-MINEDUC-2021-tiI065-OF

 Quito, D.M., September 18, 202l

Subject: INTEREST IN SUBMITTING ECUADOR’S CANDIDACY FOR THE POSITION OF FIRST VICE CHAIR OF THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION (CIE) FOR THE 2021-2024 TERM

Ms. Kim Hurtault-Osborne

### Executive Secretary for Integral Development

ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES

Washington, DC

Dear Executive Secretary:

I am writing you with reference to document CIDI/INF.450/21, in which the Inter-American Council for Integral Development advises of the intention of the Government of Argentina to submit its candidature for Chair of the OAS Inter-American Committee on Education (CIE) for the 2021-2024 term.

Accordingly, and pursuant to Article 4 of the rules of procedure of the CIE, which stipulates that the member states shall elect “a chair and two vice chairs, who shall hold office for three years or until the next regular meeting of the Committee” and “that their terms shall begin on the date of their election and shall last until the election of their successors,” I am hereby expressing the interest of the Ministry of Education of Ecuador in submitting Ecuador’s candidacy for First Vice Chair of the Inter-American Committee on Education (CIE) for the 2021-2024 term.

The education policy of the Government of the Republic of Ecuador is aligned with one of the essential purposes of the Organization of American States (OAS), which, through cooperative action, promotes economic, social, and cultural development of member states. This is why I believe it is necessary to participate in the specialized technical team leading and coordinating the agenda and activities of the CIE, for the purpose of organizing the inter-American ministerial dialogue on education in order to forge consensus and follow up on the mandates from the Summits of the Americas, the General Assembly, the Inter-American Council for Integral Development, and the meetings of Ministers of Education.

A cornerstone of multilateralism is the belief that discussing education problems, challenges, and opportunities at the hemispheric level will afford us an opportunity to respond to shared and specific needs of the member states. We must therefore promote opportunities for discussion and support on such issues as: post-pandemic recovery in the education sector; safe and voluntary return to school; educational gaps and equivalency; innovation and the digital education agenda; and inclusion in education for children and adolescents in human mobility situations, among other issues covered under the five-pronged plan and twenty activities driving the work of this government ministry – issues on which the Government of Ecuador has performed well over the last one hundred days of operation.

I would be very grateful if you would be so kind as to inform the member states of the Ecuadorian Government’s decision to seek the position of Vice Chair of the CIE.

**Please accept assurances of my best regards.**

**Sincerely yours,**

María Brown Pérez

### MINISTER OF EDUCATION

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