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May 19, 1993

Subject: Grant No. LAG-0591-G-00-3014-00

Dear Mr. Wollack:

Pursuant to the authority contained in the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 and the Federal Grant and Cooperative Agreement Act of 1982, as amended, the Agency for International Development (hereinafter referred to as "A.I.D.") hereby provides to the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs (hereinafter referred to as "NDI" or "Grantee") the sum set forth in Section 1C.2. of Attachment 1 of this Grant to provide financial support for the program described in Attachment 2 of this Grant entitled "Program Description."

This Grant is effective as of the date of this letter and funds obligated hereunder shall be used to reimburse the Grantee for allowable program expenditures for the period set forth in Section 1B. of Attachment 1 of this Grant.

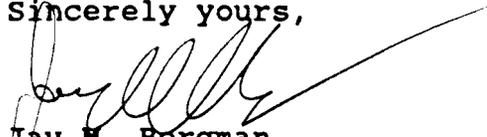
This Grant is made to the Grantee on the condition that the funds will be administered in accordance with the terms and conditions as set forth in the attachments listed under my signature below, which together constitute the entire Grant document and have been agreed to by your organization.

Please acknowledge receipt and acceptance of this Grant by signing all copies of this Cover Letter, retaining one copy for your files, and returning the remaining copies to the undersigned.

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If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Kathie Frascella of my staff at (703) 875-1220.

Sincerely yours,

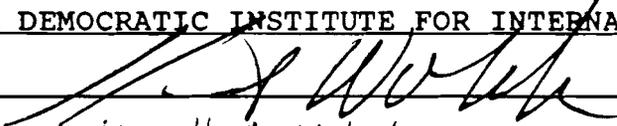

Jay M. Bergman
Grant Officer
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Attachments:

1. Schedule
2. Program Description
3. Standard Provisions
4. Special Provision entitled "Restrictions on Lobbying"

ACKNOWLEDGED:

NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

BY: 

TYPED NAME: Kenneth B. Wollack

TITLE: President

DATE: 5/19/93

FISCAL DATA

A. GENERAL

- A.1. Total Estimated A.I.D. Amount: \$230,000
- A.2. Total Obligated A.I.D. Amount: \$230,000
- A.3. Cost-Sharing Amount (Non-Federal): \$ -0-
- A.4. Other Contributions (Federal): \$ -0-
- A.5. Project No.: 598-0591
- A.6. A.I.D. Project Office: LAC/DI, J. Mendelson
- A.7. Funding Source: A.I.D./W
- A.8. Tax I.D. No.: 52-1338892
- A.9. CEC No.: 149-04-641K
- A.10. LOC No.: 72-00-1609

B. SPECIFIC

- B.1.(a) PIO/T No.: 598-0591-3-3652039 & A-1 & A-2
- B.1.(b) Appropriation: 72-113/41037
- B.1.(c) Allotment: 370-65-598-00-69-31
- B.1.(d) BPC: LES3-93-35598-KG12
- B.1.(e) Amount: \$230,000

ATTACHMENT 1

SCHEDULE

1A. PURPOSE OF GRANT

The purpose of this Grant is to provide financial support for the program described in Attachment 2 of this Grant entitled "Program Description."

1B. PERIOD OF GRANT

The effective date of this Grant is the date of the Cover Letter and the estimated completion date is April 30, 1994. Funds obligated hereunder (see Section 1C.2. below) shall be used to reimburse the Grantee for allowable program expenditures incurred by the Grantee in pursuit of program objectives during the period March 12, 1993 (see Section 1D.4. below) through the estimated completion date. Funds obligated hereunder are anticipated to be sufficient for completion by the Grantee of the program described in Attachment 2 of this Grant by the estimated completion date.

1C. AMOUNT OF GRANT AND PAYMENT

1C.1. The total estimated amount of this Grant for its full period, as set forth in Section 1B. above, is \$230,000.

1C.2. A.I.D. hereby obligates the amount of \$230,000 for the purposes of this Grant during the indicated period set forth in Section 1B. above, thereby fulfilling A.I.D.'s funding requirements. A.I.D. shall not be liable for reimbursing the Grantee for any costs in excess of the obligated amount, except as specified in paragraph (f) of the Standard Provision of this Grant entitled "Revision of Grant Budget."

1C.3. Payment shall be made to the Grantee in accordance with procedures set forth in the Standard Provision of this Grant entitled "Payment - Letter of Credit," as shown in Attachment 3.

1D. GRANT BUDGET

1D.1. The following is the Budget for the total estimated amount of this Grant (see Section 1C.1. above) for its full period (see Section 1B. above). The Grantee may not exceed the total estimated amount or the obligated amount of this Grant, whichever is less (see Sections 1C.1. and 1C.2., respectively, above). Except as specified in the Standard Provision of this Grant entitled "Revision of Grant Budget," as shown in Attachment 3, the Grantee may adjust line item amounts as may be reasonably necessary for the attainment of program objectives.

1D.2. Budget

<u>Cost Element</u>	<u>Total</u>
Salaries and Benefits	\$ 48,924
Supplies and Equipment	9,500
Communications	5,200
Travel and Per Diem	90,245
Other Direct Costs	<u>26,949</u>
TOTAL DIRECT COSTS	\$180,818
Indirect Costs	\$ 49,182
TOTAL EST. AMOUNT	<u>\$230,000</u>

1D.3. Inclusion of any cost in the budget of this Grant does not obviate the requirement for prior approval by the Grant Officer of cost items designated as requiring prior approval by the applicable cost principles (see the Standard Provision of this Grant set forth in Attachment 3 entitled "Allowable Costs") and other terms and conditions of this Grant, unless specifically stated in Section 1I. below.

1D.4. Notwithstanding the effective date of this Grant as shown in Section 1B. above, and subject to the Standard Provision of this Grant entitled "Allowable Costs," costs incurred by the Grantee in pursuit of program objectives on or after the earliest date set forth in Section 1B. above shall be eligible for reimbursement hereunder. Such costs are included in the Grant Budget shown above.

1E. REPORTING

1E.1. Financial Reporting

1E.1.(a) Financial reporting requirements shall be in accordance with the Standard Provision of this Grant entitled "Payment - Letter of Credit," as shown in Attachment 3. If a Standard Form 269 is required by the aforesaid Standard Provision, the "Long Form" of said form shall be used.

1E.1.(b) All financial reports shall be submitted to A.I.D., Office of Financial Management, FA/FM/CMPD/DCB, Room 700 SA-2, Washington, D.C. 20523-0209. In addition, three copies of all financial reports shall be submitted to the A.I.D. Project Office specified in the Cover Letter of this Grant, concurrently with submission of the Quarterly Technical Reports (See Section 1E.2. below).

1E.1.(c) The frequency of financial reporting and the due dates of reports shall be as specified in the Standard Provision of this Grant referred to in Section 1E.1.(a) above.

1E.2. Program Performance Planning and Reporting

1E.2.(a) Quarterly Reports

The Grantee shall submit five (5) copies of brief quarterly program performance reports, which coincide with the financial reporting periods described in Section 1E.1. above, to the A.I.D. Project Office specified in the Cover Letter of this Grant. In addition, two copies shall be submitted to A.I.D., POL/CDIE/DI, Washington, DC 20523-1802. These reports shall be submitted within 30 days following the end of the reporting period, and shall briefly present the following information:

1E.2.(a)(1) A comparison of actual accomplishments with the goals established for the period, the findings of the investigator, or both. If the output of programs can be readily quantified, such quantitative data should be related to cost data for computation of unit costs.

1E.2.(a)(2) Reasons why established goals were not met, if applicable.

1E.2.(a)(3) Other pertinent information including the status of finances and expenditures and, when appropriate, analysis and explanation of cost overruns or high unit costs.

1E.2.(b) Special Reports

Between the required program performance reporting dates, events may occur that have significant impact upon the program. In such instances, the Grantee shall inform the A.I.D. Project Officer as soon as the following types of conditions become known:

1E.2.(b)(1) Problems, delays, or adverse conditions that will materially affect the ability to attain program objectives, prevent the meeting of time schedules and goals, or preclude the attainment of work units by established time periods. This

disclosure shall be accompanied by a statement of the action taken, or contemplated, and any A.I.D. assistance needed to resolve the situation.

1E.2.(b)(2) Favorable developments or events that enable time schedules to be met sooner than anticipated or more work units to be produced than originally projected.

1E.2.(b)(3) If any performance review conducted by the Grantee discloses the need for change in the budget estimates in accordance with the criteria established in the Standard Provision of this Grant entitled "Revision of Grant Budget," the Grantee shall submit a request for budget revision to the Grant Officer and the A.I.D. Project Officer specified in the Cover Letter of this Grant.

1E.2.(c) Final Report

Within 90 days following the estimated completion date of this Grant (see Section 1B. above), the Grantee shall submit five (5) copies of a final report to the A.I.D. Project Office specified in the cover letter of this Grant. In addition, two copies shall be submitted to A.I.D., POL/CDIE/DI, Washington, DC 20523-1802. It will cover the entire period of the Grant and include all information shown in Sections 1E.2.(b) through 1E.2.(f) above.

1F. TITLE TO PROPERTY

Title to property acquired hereunder shall vest in the Grantee, subject to the requirements of the Standard Provision of this Grant entitled "Title To and Use of Property (Grantee Title)" regarding use, accountability, and disposition of such property, except to the extent that disposition of property may be specified in Section 1I. below.

1G. PROCUREMENT AND (SUB)CONTRACTING

1G.1. Applicability

This Section 1G. applies to the procurement of goods and services by the Grantee (i.e., contracts, purchase orders, etc.) from a supplier of goods and services (see the Standard Provisions of this Grant entitled "Procurement of Goods and Services" and "AID Eligibility Rules for Goods and Services"), and not to assistance provided by the Grantee (i.e., a subgrant or [sub]agreement) to a subrecipient (see the Standard Provision of this Grant entitled "Subagreements").

1G.2. Requirements

In addition to other applicable provisions of this Grant, the Grantee shall comply with paragraph (b)(1) of the Standard Provision of this Grant entitled "AID Eligibility Rules for Goods and Services," concerning total procurement value of less than \$250,000 under this Grant. However, paragraph (b)(1) of the Standard Provision entitled "AID Eligibility Rules for Goods and Services" does not apply to: the restricted goods listed in paragraph (a)(3) of said Standard Provision, which must be specifically approved by the Grant Officer in all cases, except to the extent that such approval may be provided in Section 1I. below; or to paragraph (d) of said Standard Provision pertaining to air and ocean transportation, to which the Standard Provisions entitled "Air Travel and Transportation" and "Ocean Shipment of Goods" apply, respectively. Paragraph (b)(2) of the Standard Provision entitled "AID Eligibility Rules for Goods and Services" does not apply.

1G.3. Approvals

Inclusion of costs in the budget of this Grant for the purchase of nonexpendable equipment obviates neither the requirement of Section J.13. of OMB Circular A-21 (for educational institutions) or Section 13 of Attachment B of OMB Circular A-122 (for nonprofit organizations other than educational institutions) for prior approval of such purchases by the Grant Officer, nor any other terms and conditions of this Grant, unless specifically stated in Section 1I. below.

1G.4. Title to Property

See Section 1F. above.

1H. INDIRECT COST RATES

1H.1. Pursuant to the Standard Provision of this Grant entitled "Negotiated Indirect Cost Rates - Provisional," an indirect cost rate or rates shall be established for each of the Grantee's accounting periods which apply to this Grant. Pending establishment of final or revised provisional indirect cost rates, provisional payments on account of allowable indirect costs shall be made on the basis of the following negotiated provisional rate(s) applied to the base(s) which is (are) set forth below:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Base</u>
On-Campus/Home Office	27.2%	1/

1/ Base of Application: Total direct costs, excluding equipment, subgrants and subcontracts.

1I. SPECIAL PROVISIONS

1I.1. Limitations on Reimbursement of Costs of Compensation for Personal Services and Professional Service Costs

1I.1.(a) Employee Salaries

Except as the Grant Officer may otherwise agree in writing, A.I.D. shall not be liable for reimbursing the Grantee for any costs allocable to the salary portion of direct compensation paid by the Grantee to its employees for personal services which exceed the highest salary level for a Foreign Service Officer, Class 1 (FS-1), as periodically amended. To this end, the Grant Officer's approval is hereby provided for reimbursement of up to one week's salary for the Grantee's President (K. Wollack) at an annual salary rate not to exceed of \$120,000 per year.

1I.1.(b) Consultant Fees

Compensation for consultants retained by the Grantee hereunder shall not exceed, without specific approval of the rate by the Grant Officer: either the highest rate of annual compensation received by the consultant during any full year of the immediately preceding three years; or the maximum rate of a Foreign Service Officer, Class 1 (FS-1) (as periodically amended), whichever is less. A daily rate is derived by dividing the annual compensation by 2,087 and multiplying the result by 8.

1I.2. Equipment Purchases

1I.2.(a) Requirement for Prior Approval

Pursuant to Sections 1D.3. and 1G.3. above and the Standard Provisions of this Grant entitled "Allowable Costs" and "Revision of Grant Budget," and by extension, Section 13 of Attachment B of OMB Circular A-122, the Grantee must obtain A.I.D. Grant Officer approval for purchases of the following:

1I.2.(a)(1) General Purpose Equipment, which is defined as an article of nonexpendable tangible personal property which is usable for other than research, medical, scientific or technical activities, whether or not special modifications are needed to make them suitable for a particular purpose (e.g., office equipment and furnishings, air conditioning equipment,

reproduction and printing equipment, motor vehicles, and automatic data processing equipment), having a useful life of more than two years and an acquisition cost of \$500 or more per unit); and

1I.2.(a)(2) Special Purpose Equipment, which is defined as an article of nonexpendable tangible personal property, which is used only for research, medical, scientific, or technical activities (e.g., microscopes, x-ray machines, surgical instruments, and spectrometers), and which has a useful life of more than two years and an acquisition cost of \$1,000 or more per unit).

1I.2.(b) Approvals

In furtherance of the foregoing, the Grant Officer does hereby provide approval for the following purchases, which shall not be construed as authorization to exceed the total estimated amount or the obligated amount of this Grant, whichever is less (see Section 1C. above):

N/A

1I.2.(c) Exception for Automation Equipment

Any approval for the purchase of automation equipment which may be provided in Section 1I.2.(b) above or subsequently provided by the Grant Officer is not valid if the total cost of purchases of automation equipment (e.g., computers, word processors, etc.), software, or related services made hereunder will exceed \$100,000. The Grantee must, under such circumstances, obtain the approval of the Grant Officer for the total planned system of any automation equipment, software, or related services.

1I.2.(d) Compliance with A.I.D. Eligibility Rules

Any approvals provided in Section 1I.2.(b) above or subsequently provided by the Grant Officer shall not serve to waive the A.I.D. eligibility rules described in Section 1G. of this Grant, unless specifically stated.

1I.3. Restricted Goods

Pursuant to Section 1G. above, paragraph (a)(3) of the Standard Provisions of this Grant entitled "AID Eligibility Rules for Goods and Services," the Grant Officer's approval is required for purchase of the restricted goods described therein. In furtherance thereof, the Grant Officer does hereby provide such approval to the extent set forth below. The Grant Officer's approval is required for purchases of such restricted goods if all of the conditions set forth below are not met by the Grantee. Any approval provided below or subsequently provided by the Grant Officer shall not serve to waive any terms and conditions of this Grant unless specifically stated.

1I.3.(a) Agricultural Commodities

Agricultural commodities may be purchased provided that they are of U.S. source (generally, the country from which the commodities are shipped) and origin (generally, the country in which the commodities are mined, grown, or produced) and purchased from a U.S. supplier, except that wheat, rice, corn, soybeans, sorghums, flour, meal, beans, peas, tobacco, hides and skins, cotton, vegetable oils, and animal fats and oils cannot be purchased under any circumstances without the prior written approval of the Grant Officer.

1I.3.(b) Motor Vehicles

Motor vehicles, if approved for purchase under Section 1I.4.(b) above or subsequently approved by the Grant Officer, must be of U.S. manufacture and must be of at least 51% U.S. componentry. The source of the motor vehicles, and the nationality of the supplier of the vehicles, must be in accordance with Section 1G.2. above. Motor vehicles are defined as self-propelled vehicles with passenger carriage capacity, such as highway trucks, passenger cars and busses, motorcycles, scooters, motorized bicycles, and utility vehicles. Excluded from this definition are industrial vehicles for materials handling and earthmoving, such as lift trucks, tractors, graders, scrapers, and off-the-highway trucks.

1I.3.(c) Pharmaceuticals

Pharmaceuticals may be purchased provided that all of the following conditions are met: (1) the pharmaceuticals must be safe and efficacious; (2) the pharmaceuticals must be of U.S. source and origin (see Section 1G. above); (3) the pharmaceuticals must be of at least 51% U.S. componentry (see Section 1G. above); (4) the pharmaceuticals must be purchased from a supplier whose nationality is in the U.S. (see Section 1G. above); (5) the pharmaceuticals must be in compliance with U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) (or other controlling U.S. authority) regulations governing United States interstate shipment of pharmaceuticals; (6) the manufacturer of the pharmaceuticals must not infringe on U.S. patents; and (7) the pharmaceuticals must be competitively procured in accordance with the procurement policies and procedures of the Grantee and the Standard Provision of this Grant entitled "Procurement of Goods and Services."

1I.3.(d) Pesticides

Pesticides may only be purchased if the purchase and/or use of such pesticides is for research or limited field evaluation by or under the supervision of project personnel. Pesticides are defined as substances or mixtures of substances: intended for

preventing destroying, repelling, or mitigating any unwanted insects, rodents, nematodes, fungi, weeds, and other forms of plant or animal life or viruses, bacteria, or other micro-organisms (except viruses, bacteria, or other micro-organisms on or living in man or other living animals); or intended for use as a plant regulator, defoliant, or dessicant.

1I.3.(e) Rubber Compounding Chemicals and Plasticizers

Rubber compounding chemicals and plasticizers may only be purchased with the prior written approval of the Grant Officer.

1I.3.(f) Used Equipment

Used equipment may only be purchased with the prior written approval of the Grant Officer.

1I.3.(g) Fertilizer

Fertilizer may be purchased if it is either purchased in the U.S. and used in the U.S., or if it is purchased in the cooperating country with local currency for use in the cooperating country. Any fertilizer purchases which do not comply with these limitations must be approved in advance by the Grant Officer.

1I.4. Limitation on Use of Funds

1I.4.(a) The Grantee shall not utilize funds provided by A.I.D. for any testing or breeding feasibility study, variety improvement or introduction, consultancy, publication, conference or training in connection with the growth or production in countries other than the United States of an agricultural commodity for export which would compete with a similar commodity grown or produced in the United States.

1I.4.(b) The reports described in Section 1E.2. shall contain a statement indicating the projects or activities to which United States funds have been attributed, together with a brief description of the activities adequate to show that United States funds have not been used for the purpose in Section 1I.4.(a) above.

1I.4.(c) The Grantee agrees to refund to A.I.D. upon request an amount equal to any United States funds used for the purposes prohibited by Section 1I.4.(a) above.

1I.4.(d) No funds provided by A.I.D. under this Grant shall be used to provide assistance, either directly or indirectly, to any country ineligible to receive assistance

pursuant to the Foreign Assistance Act as amended, related appropriations acts, or other statutes and Executive Orders of the United States (also see the Standard Provision of this Grant entitled "Ineligible Countries").

1J. RESOLUTION OF CONFLICTS

Conflicts between any of the Attachments of this Grant shall be resolved by applying the following descending order of precedence:

- Attachment 1 - Schedule
- Attachment 3 - Standard Provisions
- Attachment 4 - Special Provision entitled "Restrictions on Lobbying"
- Attachment 2 - Program Description

1K. STANDARD PROVISIONS

The Standard Provisions set forth as Attachment 3 of this Grant consist of the following Standard Provisions denoted by an "X" which are attached hereto and made a part of this Grant:

1K.1. Mandatory Standard Provisions For U.S., Nongovernmental Grantees

- (X) Allowable Costs (November 1985)
- (X) Accounting, Audit, and Records (August 1992)
- (X) Refunds (September 1990)
- (X) Revision of Grant Budget (November 1985)
- (X) Termination and Suspension (August 1992)
- (X) Disputes (August 1992)
- (X) Ineligible Countries (May 1986)
- (X) Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters (August 1992)
- (X) Nondiscrimination (May 1986)
- (X) U.S. Officials Not to Benefit (November 1985)
- (X) Nonliability (November 1985)
- (X) Amendment (November 1985)
- (X) Notices (November 1985)
- (X) Metric System of Measurement (August 1992)

1K.2. Additional Standard Provisions For U.S., Nongovernmental Grantees

- (X) OMB Approval Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (August 1992)
- (X) Payment - Letter of Credit (August 1992)
- () Payment - Periodic Advance (January 1988)
- () Payment - Cost Reimbursement (August 1992)
- (X) Air Travel and Transportation (August 1992)

- (X) Ocean Shipment of Goods (August 1992)
- (X) Procurement of Goods and Services (November 1985)
- (X) AID Eligibility Rules for Goods and Services (August 1992)
- (X) Subagreements (August 1992)
- (X) Local Cost Financing (August 1992)
- (X) Patent Rights (August 1992)
- (X) Publications (August 1992)
- () Negotiated Indirect Cost Rates - Predetermined (August 1992)
- (X) Negotiated Indirect Cost Rates - Provisional [Educational and Nonprofit Institutions] (August 1992)
- () Negotiated Indirect Cost Rates - Provisional [For-Profits] (August 1992)
- (X) Regulations Governing Employees (August 1992)
- () Participant Training (August 1992)
- () Voluntary Population Planning, Excluding Paragraph (d) (August 1986)
- () Protection of the Individual as a Research Subject (August 1992)
- () Care of Laboratory Animals (November 1985)
- (X) Title To and Use of Property (Grantee Title) (November 1985)
- () Title To and Care of Property (U.S. Government Title) (November 1985)
- () Title To and Care of Property (Cooperating Country Title) (November 1985)
- () Cost Sharing (Matching) (August 1992)
- (X) Use of Pouch Facilities (August 1992)
- (X) Conversion of United States Dollars to Local Currency (November 1985)
- (X) Public Notices (August 1992)
- (X) Rights in Data (August 1992)

ATTACHMENT 2

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Grantee's proposal entitled "Paraguay: Election Monitoring" is attached hereto as the Program Description (Attachment 2) and is made a part of this Grant.



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PARAGUAY: ELECTION MONITORING

NDI plans to monitor the May 9, 1993, national elections in Paraguay. The elections will be the first for president and Congress since the 1989 national elections held just after the overthrow of Alfredo Stroessner.

The presence of an observer delegation in Paraguay will promote confidence in the electoral process and help deter irregularities. The most recent elections in Paraguay, held in May 1991 to elect municipal officials, were marred by serious administrative shortcomings. These were most evident on election day, which was marked by confusion and chaos in many areas. As a result, elections in 14 municipalities were suspended due to various administrative problems. Had these been national elections, the suspensions and cancellations could have produced a national crisis.

NDI plans to send a pre-election monitoring mission to Paraguay in March. Through meetings with election officials, political party leaders and others connected with the election process, the mission will assess and gather information on the pre-election environment.

In addition to identifying potential problems, the mission will encourage participation in the process, augment confidence in the system and, where necessary, urge changes in electoral procedures by the government and/or electoral council. These missions will assess the feasibility of an NDI-organized election observer mission and identify the approach necessary for a credible observation (i.e. size of delegation, cities to visit, aspects of the process requiring the most intense scrutiny, etc.) Upon its return, the survey mission will issue a report of its findings.

The size of the delegation for the elections will be determined according to the anticipated outcomes and objectives of the monitoring process. Before arrival, the delegation members will receive briefing material, which will include the pre-election monitoring report, the terms of reference for the delegation, the country's election law and constitution and other relevant materials concerning the election process. Upon arrival in the country, NDI staff will conduct briefing sessions for the delegation and organize meetings with representatives of the government, political party leaders, the election tribunal and important government organizations.

Before election day, the delegates will be divided into teams and deployed to various regions of the country. Within their assigned regions, the teams will meet with local officials, political party representatives and others involved with the electoral process. The purpose of these meetings is to identify



problems in the pre-election phase, which is critical for a comprehensive evaluation of the process.

On election day, the teams will observe the opening of the polls and travel to polling sites in their assigned region. Throughout their visits to the various polling sites, the team will interview party pollwatchers, election officials and voters to ascertain whether problems have occurred. To deter fraud in the counting process, the teams will remain in their assigned regions until a significant portion of the counting process is concluded.

One or two days after the elections, the delegation will regroup for a debriefing session and, based on its observations and other credible information received by the delegation, prepare a statement. As with previous observer missions, a consensus statement will be released at a press conference by the delegation leaders.