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Ambassador Jorge Enrique Taiana
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Ambassador Taiana:

Following discussion of the proposed theme for the 4th Summit of the Americas, "Creating Employment to Combat Poverty and Strengthen Democratic Governance" at the October 19-20 meeting of the Summit Implementation Review Group (SIRG) in Washington D.C., you requested that both member states and civil society organizations provide the Chair with more detailed comments. On behalf of the Government of Canada, it is my great pleasure to submit to you our comments on the Argentine Preliminary Document for Discussion on the proposed theme.

I would like to take this opportunity to underline Canada's support for you and your team in preparing for the 4th Summit. It has been a pleasure to work with you, and although I personally will no longer be actively participating in the Summit process, I assure you that I will be avidly following your progress. I am confident that the 4th Summit will be successful at harmonizing efforts to increase employment, prosperity and the quality of life of the citizens of our hemisphere.

Yours sincerely,

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