Meeting of the Council of the Socialist International

Mexico City, 30 June – 1° July 2014

DECLARATION ON FAMILY REUNIFICATION

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The Council of the Socialist International meeting in Mexico City on 30 June – 1 July 2014, expresses its concern at the human tragedy of massive migration of Central American and Mexican children towards the United States of America, which is due to poverty, social exclusion, marginalisation, lack of opportunities and wishes for family reunification and guarantees of family integrity. We are further concerned by the suffering of thousands of children in that region who are in detention after having tried to cross the border with or without their parents.

We demand that the countries of origin and host countries find a solution to this problem, taking into account the integrity and the rights of migrant children and adolescents, as stated in the international convention on the rights of the child. At the same time, we request the United Nations and CELAC to give their opinion in this respect and take the necessary measures to resolve this problem as soon as possible.
