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FINAL DECLARATION

of the

1st Assembly of the Conference of Constitutional Jurisdictions of the Portuguese-Speaking Countries

The 1st Assembly of the Conference of Constitutional Jurisdictions of the Portuguese-Speaking Countries (CJCPLP) met on 20 and 21 May in Lisbon. The Assembly approved the Conference's Articles of Association and, basing itself on national reports, discussed the following topic: "The Review of Constitutionality and the Status of the Constitutional Jurisdictions in the Portuguese-Speaking Countries".

The Courts that were represented at the Assembly expressed their pleasure at the holding of the 1st Plenary Meeting of the Conference, and said that they were committed to both continuing to pursue and further deepening the cooperation between them. To this end, and in accordance with the Articles of Association, they intend to hold a new meeting, which will be organised by the Constitutional Council of Mozambique.

The specific topic of the next Assembly's agenda is still to be decided, but will in principle involve material constitutional law. This decision may be taken when the members of the Conference meet informally during the II World Conference on Constitutional Justice, which the Supreme Federal Court of Brazil is currently organising and will take place in Rio de Janeiro in the near future. All the other Courts took this opportunity to congratulate their Brazilian counterpart for the timely nature and importance of the forthcoming gathering.



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The Courts that belong to the CJCPLP emphasise their commitment to the deepening of a constitutional culture that is common to all the Portuguese-speaking countries and reflects the profound ties which history, culture and friendship have generated between the peoples for whom the Portuguese language is one of the fundamental elements of their identity.

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