Dear Women:

With a view to the completion of the 15th International Encounter of Women in Black to be held in Bogotá, Colombia, from November 22-26, 2010, we wish to explain which country’s citizens require a visa for entering Colombia and which do not.

Also, for those who do require a visa, we will advise on the requirements for obtaining one. We recommend you to visit the Colombian consulate in your country of origin for more information on appointments, hours and dates for the delivery of documents.

Please keep in mind that the Organizing Committee will support you with the documentation you require to facilitate all visa procedures. Therefore, you should send a request to mujeresdenegro@rutapacifico.org.co with the following subject line:

I NEED DOCUMENTS FOR OBTAINING VISA

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR VISA APPLICATION

For all types / categories of visas

1. Submit passport or a valid travel document, in good condition, with at least 2 blank pages.

2. Attach a copy of the valid passport main page where holder’s personal data appear, as well as page containing the last Colombian visa, if any, and the last stamp for entering or leaving Colombia, whether the case may be.

3. Duly fill out SC-FO-15 "Visa Request" form signed by the foreign applicant (PDF Attachment).

4. Attach two (2) recent photographs 3x3 cm, face forward, color white background.

Specific requirements depending on the type of visa requested

Type of visa / Applicant profile: TEMPORARY VISITOR

Fee: US$100=

Required for foreigners who attempt to enter the country without intending to settle in it, and
plan to take on academic activities, seminars, conferences, symposia, exhibitions, courses or non-regular studies, which in no case shall be longer than six months.

**Requirements:**

1. Documents showing the activity taken on by the foreigner in the country.

2. Documents proving that his/her economic capacity is sufficient for the activities to be performed in the country.

3. In case of an invitation, a letter and document attesting the financial solvency of the person inviting the foreigner or that will be responsible for him/her during his/her stay in, and departure from, Colombia.

4. Describe the activities planned in Colombia.

5. Photocopy or electronic data of the respective airfares for leaving the country.

**The following countries DO NOT require visa**

1. Germany
2. Andorra
3. Antigua and Barbuda
4. Argentina
5. Australia
6. Austria
7. Bahamas
8. Barbados
9. Belgium
10. Belize
11. Bolivia
12. Brazil
13. Brunei Darussalam
14. Bhutan
15. Canada
16. Czech (Republic)
17. Chile
18. Cyprus
19. Korea (Republic of)
20. Costa Rica
21. Croatia
22. Denmark
23. Dominica
24. Ecuador
25. El Salvador
26. United Arab Emirates
27. Slovakia
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The following countries DO require a visa to enter Colombia:

1. Albania
2. Algeria
3. Armenia
4. Azerbaijan
5. Bahrain
6. Bangladesh
7. Benin
8. Belarus
9. Bosnia and Herzegovina
10. Botswana
11. Bulgaria
12. Burkina Faso
13. Burundi
14. Cape Verde
15. Cameroon
16. Chad
17. China (People's Republic)
18. Comoros
19. Congo
20. Ivory Coast
21. Egypt
22. Eritrea
23. Ethiopia
24. Gabon
25. Gambia
26. Georgia
27. Ghana
28. Guinea
29. Guinea Bissau
30. Equatorial Guinea
31. Haiti
32. India
33. Kazakhstan
34. Kenya
35. Kyrgyzstan
36. Kiribati
37. Kosovo
38. Kuwait
39. Lesotho
40. Macedonia
41. Madagascar
42. Malawi
43. Maldives
44. Mali
45. Morocco
46. Mauritius
47. Mauritania
48. Moldova
49. Mongolia
50. Montenegro
51. Namibia
52. Nauru
53. Nepal
54. Nicaragua
55. Niger
56. Oman
57. Qatar
58. Central African Republic
59. Russia
60. Rwanda
61. Sao Tome and Principe
62. Senegal
63. Serbia
64. Seychelles
65. Swaziland
66. Thailand
67. Tanzania
68. Tajikistan
69. East Timor
70. Togo
71. Tonga
72. Tunisia
73. Turkmenistan
74. Tuvalu
75. Ukraine
76. Uzbekistan
77. Vanuatu
78. Vietnam
79. Zambia
80. Zimbabwe

In all cases, nationals of countries that are not listed above are required to have a visa to enter and remain within the Colombian territory.

Sincerely,

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The above information has been consulted on the web site: www.cancilleria.gov.co, on August 10, 2010.