## **NOTIFICATION**



FROM: Victoria Márquez-Mees, MICI Director

**REFERENCE**: Request ME-MICI002-2012 "Mareña Renovables Wind Project"

(2644A/OC-ME)

DATE: September 14, 2016

SUBJECT:

Final Decision of the Board of Executive Directors on the Compliance Review Report for the Mareña Renovables Wind

**Project** 

As per paragraph 71 of the Policy establishing the Independent Consultation and Investigation Mechanism approved on February 2010 by the Board of Executive Directors, I hereby notify the Requesters through their Representative, the Client and the public via the <u>Public Registry</u> the following:

On September 14, 2015, the MICI Director submitted for consideration to the Board of Executive Directors of the Inter-American Development Bank the *Compliance Review Report for the "Mareña Renovables Wind Project (2644/OC-ME)."* Upon taking note of said report, the Board reached the following final decision:

The Board expressed its support with the Report findings which revealed non-compliance with three Operational Policies: Environment and Safeguards Compliance (OP-703), Indigenous Peoples (OP-765) and Access to Information (OP-102). Among the non-compliance found, most relevant are the Bank omissions with regard to its duty to disclose the Project's environmental and social information, as well as that of enabling conditions to carry out good faith consultations with indigenous communities in the project area.

In addition, the Board adopted the recommendations made by MICI and instructed Bank Management to prepare a work plan to implement such recommendations, which shall be submitted to the Board of Executive Directors for approval. The Board requested that MICI accompany this process.

The Board also called to ensure that the institutional and regulatory framework of projects involving indigenous communities be based on international best practices so as to allow for the Bank to work more effectively; and urged Management to strengthen its institutional capacity for assessing social risks and operating in contexts of social conflict.

Once the work plan is presented and approved by the Board of Executive Directors, MICI will make it available to the public through the Public Registry.