



## Caribbean Studies Association (CSA)

### **Resolution Concerning The Free Movement of Haitian Nationals** made at Almond Beach Resort Hotel, St. Peter, Barbados May 28, 2010

**Whereas** the Caribbean Studies Association (CSA) functions as a regional and extra-regional, professional organization of scholars, artists, activists and policy analysts of over 1,000 members.

**And whereas** this organization has a stated commitment to regional unity and the free movement of all Caribbean nationals throughout the region.

**And whereas** the CSA recognizes Haiti as a sovereign sister island of the Caribbean family; the organization strongly decries the travel restrictions imposed by regional governments on Haitian nationals seeking to visit CARICOM countries.

**Be it resolved** that the CSA calls on Caribbean governments to lift the visa requirement placed on Haitian nationals seeking to enter other Caribbean countries.

**Be it further resolved** that Caribbean governments rescind this restrictive policy, which does not apply to other Caribbean nationals, therefore allowing the free movement of Haitians seeking legal entry to any part of the region.