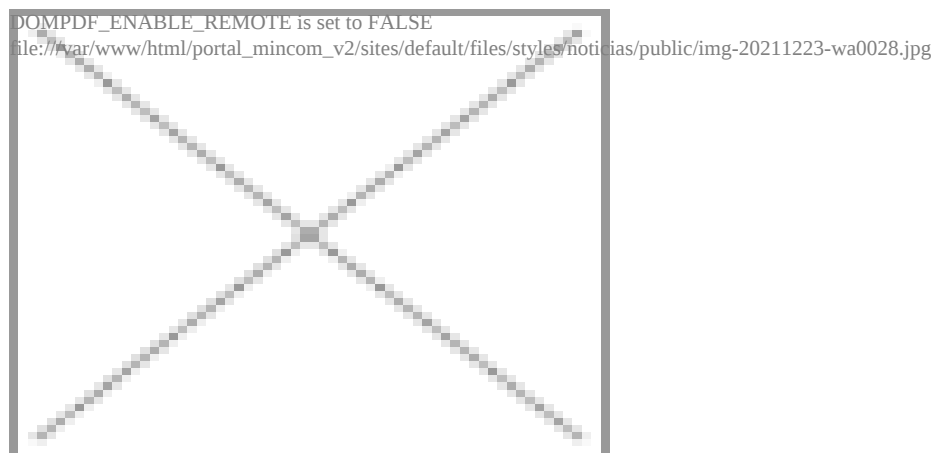




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On December 23, the Gender Committee of the Ministry of Communications was constituted with the presence of the Federation of Cuban Women (FMC); the Minister of Communications; executives and specialists of the agency and other guests.

The Committee is constituted on the basis of the Program for the Progress of Women. The fact that this committee is constituted by resolution allows for a stronger and more practical application of the gender strategy.

Tamara Columbie Matos, FMC gender specialist, spoke about the importance of articulating the entire structure based on the program, whose overall objective is to promote the advancement of women.

The FMC gender specialist explained to those present that there are still some gaps to be bridged, but there is the will and knowledge to do so. In addition, the program gives the possibility to reread our society, based on the areas of action.

Julia Muriel, Director of the Ministry of Agriculture, shared experiences on how to implement a gender strategy in a Central State Administration Agency (OACE).

Lizette Vila, creator of the Palomas Project said: "Founding the Gender Committee is a deep, serious and challenging process, not only for women but also for men. The language of gender is fundamental, it is political.

The Minister of Communications, Mayra Arevich Marín, highlighted the value of establishing this Committee and the importance of working on gender issues in the sector. There are many things that can be done and contributed. We have to work on cultural aspects and on the intention that we have gender equality.

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