



**ELEVENTH MEETING OF THE
MONITORING COMMITTEE OF THE CDCC**
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ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Opening ceremony

There will be an *Opening Ceremony* in the course of which statements will be made by the Director of the ECLAC Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean and the Secretary of State of Puerto Rico, Mr. Ferdinand Mercado.

2. Election of officers

The meeting will elect its Bureau comprising a Chairperson; a First Vice-Chairperson; a Second Vice-Chairperson and a Rapporteur. Trinidad and Tobago will hand over the chairmanship to the host country.

3. Adoption of the agenda

The meeting will consider the *Provisional Agenda* that has been circulated by the secretariat and introduce such amendments as it deems appropriate.

4. Procedural matters and organization of work

The meeting will adopt its hours of work and such other arrangements of a procedural or organizational nature that it deems necessary.

- 5. i. Progress report on the implementation of the work programme for the 2002-2003 biennium as at 31 March 2003**
ii. Extrabudgetary projects

i. The Director of the ECLAC Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean will present a progress report on the implementation of the work programme for the 2002-2003 biennium for the period ending 31 March 2003.

ii. An update on the implementation of the ongoing extrabudgetary projects, including the Dutch-funded projects will be presented.

6. Work programme for the 2004-2005 biennium

The secretariat will present the 2004-2005 work programme adopted at the twenty-ninth session of ECLAC, Brasilia, Brazil, 6-10 May 2002.

7. Status of the review of the CDCC: The Constituent Declaration

The secretariat will present a report on the status of the review of the Constituent Declaration of the CDCC.

8. Summary of resolutions recently adopted by organs of the United Nations, which may be of special interest to member countries of ECLAC/CDCC

The secretariat will make a summary presentation of a number of resolutions that have been recently adopted by the main organs of the United Nations, which might be of special interest to members of ECLAC/CDCC.

9. Analysis of trade flows between Puerto Rico and CARICOM and prospects for integration

The secretariat will present a report on trade flows between Puerto Rico and CARICOM countries identifying, *inter alia*, the percentage of the trade of Puerto Rico conducted with CARICOM countries and vice versa; the major trading partners in the Puerto Rico-CARICOM trading relationship; and the respective trade balances. The presentation will also cover the trading regimes of Puerto Rico and CARICOM countries; the export and import patterns (of goods and services); and the relative competitiveness of Puerto Rican and CARICOM exports. General recommendations and suggestions for improving trade performance and integration between both economies will also be presented. The presentation will be followed by a discussion by a panel comprising Ambassador Patrick Lewis, Mr. Esteban Perez and a representative of Puerto Rico.

10. Developments in relation to the proposal for securing the international recognition of the Caribbean Sea as a special area in the context of sustainable development

At the nineteenth session of the Committee, following its discussion of the agenda item, *The proposal for promoting an integrated approach to the Caribbean Sea area in the context of sustainable development*, the consensus was in favour of maintaining and advancing the original proposal for the *international recognition of the Caribbean Sea as a special area in the context of sustainable development*. The ECLAC/CDCC secretariat was requested to take the lead role in the execution of the technical work required for the further development of the proposal, on behalf of the member States. The discussion of this item will take place in the context of a panel comprising Professor Ralph Carnegie, Mr. Derek Oderson and Mr. Arthur Gray. Background documentation will also be made available to delegations.

11. Other matters

Under this agenda item, delegations will be given the opportunity to raise any matter of relevance to the ECLAC/CDCC not included in the meeting's agenda.

12. Date and place of the twentieth session of the CDCC

The meeting will set a date and venue for its next session. Alternatively, arrangements may be made for the determination of these elements, for example, on the basis of consultations with which the secretariat could be entrusted.

13. Adoption of the report

The secretariat will prepare a draft report for consideration by delegations.

14. Closure

Upon the conclusion of its discussion on the preceding items, brief closing remarks are envisaged from a representative of the Puerto Rico; the ECLAC/CDCC secretariat and by the Chairperson who will then declare the formal closure of the meeting.