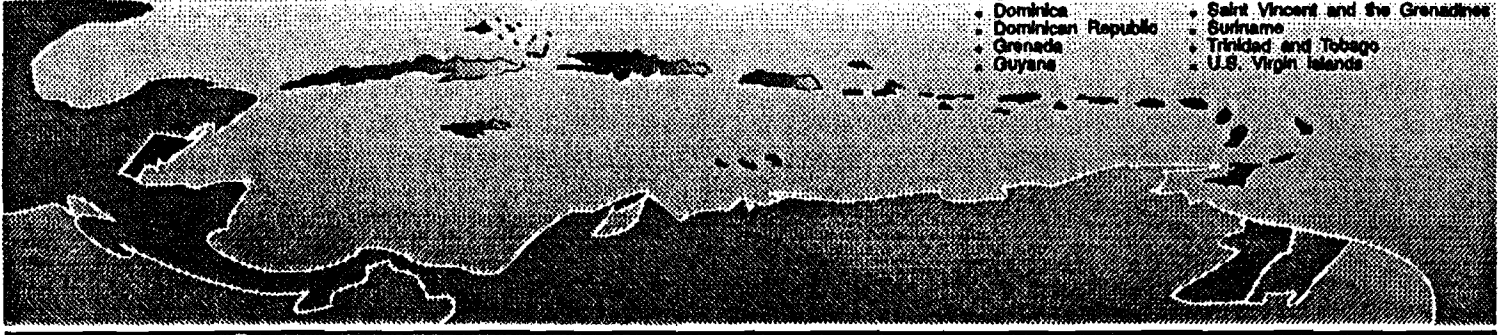
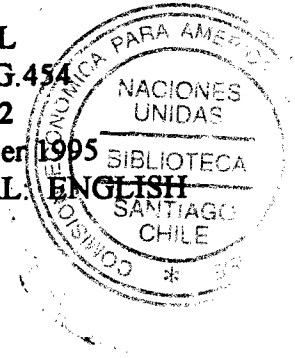




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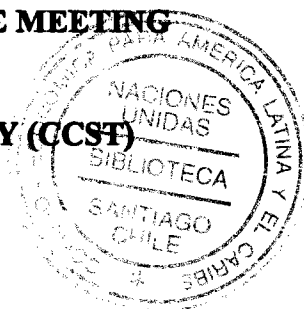
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The Seventeenth Executive Committee Meeting of the Caribbean Council for Science and Technology (CCST) was held on 23 September 1995 in Havana, Cuba.

Present at the meeting were:

Dr Dorothy Byfield, Chairperson, Jamaica  
Dr Tirso Saenz, Vice-Chairman, Cuba  
Mrs Maureen Manchouck, Trinidad and Tobago  
Mr Bishnunarine Tulsie, Saint Lucia  
Mr Donatus St. Aimee, Secretary, CCST

**SUMMARY OF MAIN POINTS OF DISCUSSION**

**Agenda item 1: Consideration of the Agenda for the thirteenth Plenary Session**

The meeting agreed to amend the hours of the Programme of Work for the thirteenth Plenary Session of the Council (See Annex I). The official opening would now be at 6.00 p.m. on 24 September and agenda item 8 "Consideration of the Report of the Meeting" would now take place from 6.30 p.m. on 26 September. The latter change would accommodate visits to both the Centre for the History of Science and the Centre for the Production of Laboratory Animals. These visits would begin at 1.30 p.m.

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**Agenda item 2: Preliminary discussions on proposals by the secretariat and consideration of the work programme report**

The representative of Cuba expressed his country's support for the Council's work in renewable energy and requested that his Country's offer to make a contribution to other CCST members be placed on record, given Cuba's considerable work in this field. Cuba had developed a significant potential which it wished to share with its CCST counterparts in such forms as courses, seminars and technical expertise.

With respect to the proposed joint meeting of ministries of science and technology, environment, agriculture, planning and tourism and trade and industry, the Committee was in agreement that the meeting's objectives needed to be precisely defined. It was agreed that the secretariat should prepare a background paper for the proposed meeting. This paper should focus clearly on what the meeting should achieve.

The Executive Committee agreed that the title "Follow-up work on Summit of the Americas/MERCOCYT" should be changed to "Follow-up to regional initiatives on science and technology".

The Executive Committee agreed that the document "Science and Technology Dimensions for the SIDS Programme of Action" should be used as a reference point in developing the future work programme of the Council.

The Committee agreed that the Council should continue to bring to the attention of the region important issues that were not being addressed, since it had developed a particular strength in this capacity. Where possible, the Council should also endeavour to implement projects which it had developed and for which it had received funding. This would also focus attention of the Council as an implementing agency.

**Agenda item 3: Discussions on the structure and operations of the Council**

The Committee agreed that the present secretariat arrangements had stifled the Council's ability to achieve its potential and that steps should be taken to remedy this. A position paper recommending the structure and operations of the secretariat would be prepared. Following approval by members of the Council, it would be presented to the next session of the CDCC by the Government of Saint Lucia. In that respect, Council members would undertake to brief their representatives to the next session of the CDCC on this matter so that the proposal would be supported by all members when the matter arose for discussion. It was also decided to examine the proposal for the secretariat arrangements in terms of a wider view vis a vis the new regional groupings such as the Association of Caribbean States (ACS).

The Executive Committee agreed that the meeting would support the candidacy of Guyana for the post of Chairman of CCST. Jamaica would hold the post of Vice-Chairman, with the other four current members of the Executive Committee (Cuba, Trinidad and Tobago, Saint Lucia and the United States Virgin Islands) serving as members at large.

**Agenda item 4: Consideration of application for membership**

The Secretary informed the Committee that, based on discussions held with the Barbados authorities, an application for membership would be forthcoming from the Government of Barbados.

The Committee agreed to accept the application of Barbados for membership to the Council, when presented.

## ANNEX I

### PROGRAMME OF WORK

23 September	1.30 p.m.		<b>Executive Committee Meeting</b>
24 September	5.00 p.m.		<b>Official Opening</b>
25 September	9.00 to 10.15 a.m.	Agenda item 1-	<b>Consideration of the Report of the Sixteenth Executive Committee Meeting.</b>
"	10.15 to 11.00 a.m.	Agenda item 2 -	<b>Consideration of Application for Admission</b>
"	11.05 1.20 a.m.		<b>Coffee Break</b>
"	11.20 to 1.00 p.m.	Agenda item 4 -	<b>Discussion of the Report of the Secretariat</b>
"	2.30 to 5.00 p.m.	Agenda item 5 -	<b>Consideration of proposals on Work Programme of the Council</b>
26 September	8.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.	Item 5 Cont'd	<b>Consideration of proposals on Work Programme of the Council</b>
	10.30 to 10.45 a.m.		<b>Coffee Break</b>
	10.45 to 11.30 a.m.	Agenda Item 6	<b>Report of the Finances of the Council</b>
	11.30 a.m. to 12.00 N	Agenda item 7	<b>Election of the Executive of the Council</b>
	4.00 - p.m. to 6.30 p.m.		<b>Consideration of the Report of the Meeting</b>
	6.30		<b>Closure</b>