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Fourth meeting of the Executive Committee of the
Statistical Conference of the Americas of the
Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

Dallas, United States, 30 November and 1 December 2004

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

Tuesday, 30 November 2004

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| 8:30-9:00 a.m. | Registration of participants |
| 9:00-9:30 a.m. | Welcoming remarks and opening of the meeting |
| 9:30-9:45 a.m. | Adoption of the agenda and other matters relating to the organization of the meeting |
| 9:45-10:15 a.m. | Coffee break |
| 10:15-10:45 a.m. | Report by the secretariat on the follow-up to the third meeting of the Executive Committee of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean |
| 10:45-1:00 p.m. | Round-table discussion on strategic guidelines for the Statistical Conference of the Americas and establishment of a medium-term plan of action |
| 1:00-3:00 p.m. | Lunch |
| 3:00-4:30 p.m. | Continuation and conclusion of the round-table discussion on strategic guidelines for the Statistical Conference of the Americas and establishment of a medium-term plan of action |
| 4:30- 4:45 p.m. | Coffee break |
| 4:45-5:30 p.m. | Review and discussion of progress in preparing for the deliberations on the substantive issues to be dealt with at the third meeting of the Conference: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Follow-up to the Millennium Development Goals: challenges and opportunities for national statistical systems |

Wednesday, 1 December 2004

- 9:00-10:45 a.m. Review and discussion of progress in preparing for the deliberations on the substantive issues to be dealt with at the third meeting of the Conference:
- Human resources development and training: towards a strategic vision
 - Development of national statistical systems and the responsibilities of national statistical offices
- 10:45-11:15 a.m. Coffee break
- 11:15-11:45 a.m. Progress report by the secretariat on the activities of the Programme of International Statistical Work for Latin America and the Caribbean, July 2003-June 2005
- 11:45-12:00 noon Other matters
- 12:00-3:00 p.m. Lunch and bilateral meetings
- 3:00-4:00 p.m. Agreements and decisions
- 4:00-4:30 p.m. Closing meeting