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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WORK PROGRAMME
OF THE CARIBBEAN DEVELOPMENT AND
CO-OPERATION COMMITTEE (CDCC)

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The Secretariat wishes to draw to the attention of the Committee the following requests in connection with various elements of the Work Programme.

A. TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

Co-operation in information: Caribbean Documentation Centre/CARISPLAN Project (paras. 1-12),

The Committee is asked to note the achievements of the project to date, to express appreciation to IDRC for its assistance in this important work and to request continuation of their support to the needs of Caribbean countries for economic and social information and documentation.

Statistical Data Bank: (paras. 14-18)

The Committee is asked to endorse the importance of the work of the Statistical Data Bank and give its support to the request for a new post at the General Service Level to help in speeding up the transfer of data to the computer.

Science and Technology: (paras. 20-23a)

The Committee is asked to note the achievement of CCST to date, to express appreciation to United Nations Financing System for Science and Technology for Development (UNFSSTD) for assistance with the assessment of national science and technology capabilities and to request their Governments to continue support of the activities of the Interim Secretariat for CCST.

Council for Social and Economic Development (paras. 25-26)

The Secretariat wishes to inform the Committee that financing for the proposed meeting to discuss the draft Statutes of the Council was not approved by United Nations Headquarters. The Committee may wish to make an appeal to the United Nations System for the US\$8,000 required to convene the meeting during 1983.

B. AGRICULTURAL SECTOR (paras. 27-37)

The CDCC may wish to exhort member governments to ensure the cooperation of relevant Ministries and departments in providing the information requested by the Secretariat in connection with the Agro-industrial
Survey and the Multinational Fishing Enterprise in order to facilitate
completion of the above mentioned activities which had been approved at
earlier sessions.

D. SOCIAL SECTOR (paras. 40-52)

(1) Development of a Social Work Programme (paras. 40-47)

The Committee may wish to emphasize to the UN Specialized Agencies, and to the United Nations Fund for Population Activities (UNFPA) the importance of socio-economic aspects of population policies to the subregion and to urge their financial support of the Secretariat's activities.

The Committee may also wish to express its appreciation for the continued support offered to the Secretariat by the United Nations University and to exhort the University to continue its assistance with the series of monographs on social structural changes.

In view of the fact that, in addition to its other intrinsic merits, the proposed project on "Creole Discourse and Social Development" is consistent with the conceptual framework of Technical Co-operation among Developing Countries (TCDC), the Committee may wish to give a strong indication of its interest in order to assist the Secretariat in negotiating funding for the project.

(ii) Women in Development (paras. 48-52)

On the basis of the strong support for this work programme activity expressed at CDCC VI and on the assumption of continued interest, the Secretariat would like to suggest that the Committee may wish to:

- (a) reiterate its support for the programme;
- (b) endorse the steps taken so far to seek resources; and

(c) urge member governments, to make (and/or actively support) a request for resources at the level of the UN Fifth Committee, the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ) and the UN General Assembly itself. Individual governments may also wish to raise the matter with the UN Voluntary Fund for the Decade for Women.

H, TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION (paras. 60-74)

The work on Search and Rescue (SAR) will lead to the formulation of a draft Search and Rescue Plan for the Caribbean. The Secretariat hereby wishes to ask the CDCC to impress on member governments the urgency of this matter and to request their participation in finalizing the SAR Plan in the interest of Maritime Safety so that all CDCC Governments can accede at an early date to the IMO Convention on Maritime Search and Rescue, 1979.

In the field of aviation the Caribbean Airport Maintenance and Operations Study (CAMOS) Report noted the major effect that a serious aviation accident would have on the Caribbean tourism. The following countries are not included in the Caribbean Programme of Assistance in Aviation:

Bahamas, Belize, Cayman Islands, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Netherlands

Antilles and Suriname. The CDCC therefore may wish to urge all CDCC member governments to request donors to provide the additional funds required to improve aviation safety in all Caribbean countries covered by the Study.