Resolution 9(VI) CO-ORDINATION AND CO-OPERATION ACTIVITIES TO FURTHER THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CDCC WORK PROGRAMME

The Caribbean Development and Co-operation Committee,

Mindful of the need for increased co-operation among CDCC countries,

Taking into account resolution 1980/56 of the Economic and Social Council, which recognizes the Caribbean Development and Co-operation Committee (CDCC) as a co-ordinating body for activities relating to development and co-operation and as a consultative organ of the Commission,

Noting CDCC resolution 3(III) on co-ordination of activities with the Caribbean Group for Co-operation in Economic Development (CGCED) and resolution 7(V), on strengthening the CDCC Secretariat,

Considering that CEPAL resolution 358(XVI), which established CDCC, gave to it the mandate to act as a co-ordinating body for activities relating to development and co-operation,

Recognizing the importance of the need to ensure co-ordination of the work programme of the CDCC with those of other Caribbean inter-governmental institutions so as to facilitate the identification of overlapping and joint activities,

Recognizing also the need for the bodies of the United Nations system to co-ordinate their efforts and, through their activities, to foster, whenever feasible, the process of intra-Caribbean horizontal co-operation,

Emphasizing that the mechanisms for co-operation already established should be supplemented by the creation of multinational enterprises in which interested CDCC countries can participate,

Convinced that economic co-operation among the countries of the sub-region will result in increased intra-regional trade,

Stressing the need for exploring more fully measures for the removal of trade-impeding factors,

Decides:

(1) That the CDCC Secretariat, in accordance with the provisions of CDCC resolution 7(V), endorsed by CEPAL resolution 420 (PLEN.I4), should pursue the activities aimed at strengthening the Secretariat and should also ensure that CDCC member countries are informed of the action taken on the recommendations of the United Nations Joint Inspection Unit;

(2) To reiterate the mandate given to the CDCC Secretariat to study the most appropriate co-ordination between the CDCC projects and programme
and any regional activities of the Caribbean Group for Co-operation in Economic Development;

(3) That the CDCC Secretariat should enter into immediate consultations with the CARICOM and OECS secretariats and with other subregional groupings whose work impinges on the CDCC, with the objective of establishing arrangements that would enable the CDCC work programme to be discussed with those bodies before it is put to the technical level meeting of the CDCC;

(4) That consultations be held at regular intervals between representatives of the specialized agencies and the Chairman of CDCC, acting on behalf of the Committee, in order to stimulate implementation in the Caribbean of projects in the fields of technical and economic co-operation among developing countries as projects in those fields are recognized as the greatest potential contribution of the United Nations system to the development of indigenous capabilities in the Caribbean;

(5) That, within the programme of work approved for the 1982-1983 biennium, the CDCC Secretariat should develop proposals for projects of multinational enterprise character in co-ordination with the United Nations specialized agencies, concentrating, in the first phase, on the possibility of developing a fishing project in co-ordination with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, on the basis of the proposal that was adopted at the fifth session of CDCC and with the support of the Sixteenth FAO Regional Conference;

(6) That the CDCC Secretariat should, with the assistance of interested countries and in collaboration with the appropriate United Nations agencies and inter-governmental bodies, initiate measures preparatory to the formulation of the draft instruments necessary for the establishment of a Caribbean multinational enterprise for book production and subsequently convene a meeting for discussion and approval of these instruments, every effort being made to ensure that this activity is carried out during 1982;

(7) That higher priority should be given to activities in support of the stimulation of trade information exchange among the CDCC countries and the preparation of an inventory of industrial products for the CDCC countries.