CARIBBEAN DEVELOPMENT AND CO-OPERATION COMMITTEE

Tenth Session
Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago
28 September - 1 October 1987

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA
The Tenth Session of the Caribbean Development and Co-operation Committee (CDCC) is scheduled to be held at the technical level from 28-29 September 1987 and at the ministerial level from 30 September - 1 October 1987. A meeting of heads of delegations at the technical level will be held at 9.00 a.m. on 28 September prior to the opening session scheduled for 10.00 a.m.

Item 1 - Opening of meeting

The outgoing Chairman will declare the meeting open and conduct the election of the new bureau.

Item 2 - Election of officers

Rule 5 of the Rules of Procedure of the CDCC provides that "the Chairman of the Committee shall be the Minister designated as ex-officio member of the Committee by the host country of the session and elected by the Committee".

Rule 7 states that "at each session the Committee shall also elect two Vice-Chairmen and a Rapporteur who may be Ministers, Advisers or Experts".

In accordance with practice, the officers comprising the bureau of the technical level meeting should come from the same countries as the corresponding officers of the ministerial level meeting.

It is proposed that the composition of the new bureau should be discussed at the meeting of heads of delegations at the technical level to be held on 28 September 1987.
Item 3 - Addresses

The ministerial level meeting will be preceded by a formal inaugural ceremony scheduled for 30 September. Addresses will be given by the outgoing Chairman and the incoming Chairman of the Committee. The names of other persons to give addresses will be announced in the Order of the Day for Wednesday 30 September 1987.

Item 4 - Adoption of agenda and organization of work

The agenda of the session and the organization of work will be considered at the meeting of heads of delegations of member governments.

The Draft Provisional Agenda proposed by the Secretariat in document (LC/CAR/G.229) subject to changes which may be introduced by delegates, is intended to serve for both levels of meetings. The report, including the conclusions and recommendations of the technical level meeting, constitutes the main basis for the discussions at the ministerial level.

Item 5 - Implementation of the Work Programme of the CDCC (1985-1987)

Document LC/CAR/G.230 covers the activities of the Secretariat since the Ninth Session held in May/June 1985. The text refers to the work programme areas included in the Final Report of the Ninth Session of CDCC (LC/CAR/G.156 pp. 10-23) and covers activities accomplished, activities postponed or discontinued, new activities proposed and specific authority, endorsement and support requested of the Committee.
Item 6 - A programme of activities in support of small-island developing countries

At the Ninth Session of CDCC, the serious concern of the governments, member states of the Committee, was reflected in Resolution 18(IX) Programme of Support for Small-Island Developing Countries which directed requests for action to the Secretariat and to various parts of the United Nations System.

The Secretariat will present a document to the meeting indicating initiatives already undertaken and outlines of a programme in fulfilment of the mandate following the meeting in Saint Lucia scheduled for 24-28 August. Reference is also directed to Item 7(b) below.

Item 7 - Action taken on CDCC Resolutions and those of ECLAC and other UN bodies with implications for CDCC

(a) Action taken on CDCC Resolutions:

(i) **Programme of support for small-island developing countries**

Considerable activity has been generated as a result of this resolution. The draft programme formulated is being proposed for consideration under Item 6 of the Draft Agenda;

(ii) **Establishment of CDCC Review Committee - 19(IX)**

In accordance with the terms of reference outlined in Resolution 19(IX) "Establishment of CDCC Review Committee" two meetings of the Committee have been convened. The reports have been published as documents LC/CAR/G.165 and LC/CAR/G.175. These documents contain
the recommendations required as per paragraph (b) (iii) of the resolution and are to be considered by the Committee;

(iii) Future action of the CDCC - 20(IX)

The Secretariat was mandated to report to the Tenth Session on action taken under this wide ranging resolution. As the major thrust of this resolution is directed to TCDC activities, action is being reported under Agenda Item 9 "Promotion of Technical Co-operation among CDCC Member Countries";

(b) Resolutions of ECLAC and ECOSOC with implications for CDCC

(i) The ECLAC (Committee of the Whole) Resolution titled "Peculiar Economic Problems of Caribbean Island Developing Countries especially the States of the Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States (OECS)". The Committee is being asked to take note of this resolution which is contained in document LC/CAR/G.176/Add.1.

(ii) ECLAC Resolution titled "Programme of Work of ECLAC 481(XXI) which approved the Work Programme of the Commission as a whole. (See Item 8 presented for the information of the Committee).

Item 8 - Work Programme for the 1988-1989 biennium as presented by the UN Secretary-General to the General Assembly

The Committee is being asked to note the document titled "Programme of Work for the ECLAC Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean (1988-1989)" (LC/CAR/G.23E). This document is a reproduction
of the programme of work approved by the appropriate United Nations Secretariat machinery and as submitted by the Secretary General for the approval of the United Nations General Assembly. It should be noted that the document indicates the main areas of work and activities in which the Secretariat will be engaged during the biennium. Copies of the draft work programme document for the CDCC Secretariat were circulated to all CDCC member governments last year requesting comments. This document was also submitted to the Twenty-first session of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean held in Mexico City, Mexico from 17-25 April 1986 where it was approved along with the work programme for ECLAC as a whole. [See ECLAC Resolution 481(XXI)].

**Item 9 - Promotion of technical co-operation among CDCC member countries**

At its Ninth Session, the CDCC mandated the Secretariat inter alia, to identify TCDC solutions to problems which hinder the development of member countries and to promote TCDC activities both among the CDCC member countries as well as with other countries of Latin America and the Caribbean (see particularly Resolutions 18(IX) and 20(IX), document LC/CAR/G.156).

The Secretariat has initiated action on these mandates and on the recommendations arising from the meetings of the Review Committee of

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1/ The Programme Budget as approved by the UN General Assembly will appear in Official Records of the General Assembly, Forty-second session, Supplement No. 6 (A/42/6/Rev.1).
CDCC. (See documents LC/CAR/G.165 and LC/CAR/G.175). A report on this subject will be presented to the Committee.

**Item 10 - The Secretariat's contribution to the United Nations Medium-Term Plan (1990-1995)**

The Secretariat is preparing for submission to United Nations Headquarters, a paper which will outline the objectives and general orientation of the programme of work for the office. This document will set out briefly the major problems to be addressed and the Secretariat's thrust in its contribution to the economic and social development of the Caribbean subregion during the six-year period. Governments are being asked to comment on the general statement and indicate any modifications they consider necessary which action will constitute the necessary legislative authority required by the United Nations programme planning and budgeting process.

**Item 11 - Other business**

Members of the Committee may wish to submit items for consideration.

**Item 12 - Place and date for CDCC XI**

Rule 11 of the Rules of Procedure provides that "regular sessions of the Committee shall be held once a year". The Committee will consider any invitations received from member governments for the next session and following the usual consultations will decide on a course of action.

**Item 13 - Consideration and adoption of the report**