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PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA



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Fourth Plenary Session of the CCST

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Item 1 - Adoption of the Agenda

The Provisional Agenda proposed in Document CDCC/CCST/84/5 will be discussed and adopted subject to any changes which may be introduced by members.

Item 2 - Report of the Third Plenary Session

The Third Plenary Session of the CCST was held in Willemstad, Curaçao, 27-29 July 1983. The report of that meeting is contained in document CDCC/CCST/83/20 which will be presented for discussion and adoption.

Item 3 - Matters arising

Any matters arising from the Minutes will be discussed together with the action that has been taken subsequently.

Item 4 - Chairman's Report for 1983-1984

It is customary for the Chairman to review the progress made by the Council during his term of office and to provide some general guidelines which may be followed. The Chairman's report is contained in document CDCC/CCST/84/6.

Item 5 - Annual Report and Balance Sheet for 1983-1984

Documents CDCC/CCST/84/7 and CDCC/CCST/84/7/Add.1 contain a draft Annual Report and Balance Sheet for the previous financial year. These are presented for discussion and approval of the Council in full plenary session.

Item 6 - Membership of the Netherlands Antilles to the CCST

At the Second Plenary Session of the CCST, the Netherlands Antilles indicated the desire to become a member of the CCST. An amendment to the Statutes was proposed at the Third Plenary Session to allow for Associate Membership but interpretations of certain aspects of this amendment were questioned by the Netherlands Antilles. The Executive Committee believes

that there is consensus among members that the Netherlands Antilles should be accorded the status of full member. The Council in full plenary session is asked to discuss the issue with a view to its resolution. Background information to this Item is contained in Document CDCC/CCST/84/18.

Item 7 - Draft Science and Technology Policy and Plan for the Caribbean

The CARICOM Ministerial Sub-Committee for Science and Technology Meeting of 4 May requested the CCST Secretariat to co-ordinate the drafting of a science and technology policy and plan for the Caribbean. This draft policy and plan is presented for consideration and comments.

Item 8 - Science and Technology Workshops/Meetings planned by the CCST for the next quarter

In the next quarter the following Meetings/Workshops are being planned/co-ordinated by the CCST. They are:

(i) A Workshop on "Science Writing and Communication" jointly sponsored by the Committee on Science and Technology in Developing Countries (COSTED) and the CCST, in October in Curaçao;

(ii) A Workshop on "The Pharmaceutical Sector in the Caribbean" to be followed by a meeting of the Specialized Committee/Workshop Group on Health, Nutrition and Pharmaceuticals from 29 October - 3 November in Havana;

(iii) A CCST/UNESCO consultation to be held in Port of Spain from 5-7 November on the regional conference of ministers on the application of science and technology in Latin America and the Caribbean (CASTALAC II).

Item 9 - Work Programme and Budget for 1984-1985

Paper No. CDCC/CCST/84/9 presents the proposed Work Programme and Budget for the year 1984-1985. Members of the Council are asked to discuss the proposals contained therein and to approve the Work Programme and Budget.

Item 10 - Election of Officers

In accordance with Articles 9 and 23, a Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Member are to be elected annually while an Honorary Treasurer is elected

for three years. This latter post has been filled for the past two years by Suriname.

The present Executive Committee comprises:

Chairman:	Grenada - Dr. James de Vere Pitt
Vice-Chairman:	Haiti - Mr. Gilbert Duperval
Member:	Jamaica - Dr. M.O. Hamilton
Honorary Treasurer:	Suriname- Dr. Iwan Kortram

Members are invited to elect officers for the first three posts. In consideration of this Item the Council is to be guided by Statute 23 which states: "In electing the officers of the Council, members shall be guided by the principle of equitable geographic distribution". The date and venue of the Fifth Meeting of the CCST need also to be considered in relation to this Item of the Agenda.

Item 11 - Any Other Business

Participants may wish to suggest other topics for discussion.

Item 12 - Consideration of the Draft Report and Recommendations

The Draft Report of the Fourth Plenary Session will be discussed together with the recommendations for follow-up action.

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