COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Thirtieth session
New York, 19 and 20 March 2015

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

A. BACKGROUND AND OBJECTIVES

The thirtieth session of the Committee of the Whole has been convened by the Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) and the Government of Peru, pursuant to resolution 687(XXXV), adopted by ECLAC. In resolution 687(XXXV), ECLAC “recognizes that the session of the Commission is an important forum for regional discussion for advancing the discussions on the regional vision with respect to the post-2015 development agenda and the sustainable development goals and requests the secretariat, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 67/290, to follow up, from a regional perspective, on the relevant issues of the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development and the Economic and Social Council, within the framework of the Regional Implementation Forum on Sustainable Development, established pursuant to resolution 602(XXX), adopted in San Juan at the thirtieth session”.

B. CHAIR

The meeting will be chaired by the representative of Peru, in his capacity as Chair of the Committee of the Whole of ECLAC.
C. PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.


3. The role of the Latin American and Caribbean Forum on Sustainable Development and its linkages with the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development.

4. An overview of sustainable development in Latin America and the Caribbean.

5. Report on the Regional Consultation on Financing for Development in Latin America and the Caribbean (Santiago, 12 and 13 March 2015).

6. Consideration of the request submitted by the Kingdom of Norway for admission as a member State of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean.

7. Other matters.

8. Consideration and adoption of resolutions.

D. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

   The delegations will have before them, for consideration and adoption, the provisional agenda (LC/L.3964/Rev.2) prepared by the secretariat, bearing in mind the various mandates of the Commission. Representatives of member States may make such observations or suggest such modifications as they deem appropriate.

2. The post-2015 development agenda: synergies between regional and global processes

   Under this agenda item the Deputy Executive Secretary of ECLAC will give a presentation on the institutional framework of the Commission and its subsidiary bodies and their role in the implementation of the post-2015 development agenda. He will also provide information on evaluation and follow-up methods at the regional level and on global challenges in the framework of the post-2015 development agenda.

   A representative of the Division for Sustainable Development of the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs will give details on the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development and the process of defining the follow-up mechanisms for the sustainable development goals.

   Lastly, a representative of the United Nations Development Group for Latin America and the Caribbean (UNDG LAC) will speak on the coordination processes of the United Nations system at the national level, country reports measuring progress towards the sustainable development goals and coordinating the national, regional and global dimensions of the follow-up process to the sustainable development goals.
3. The role of the Latin American and Caribbean Forum on Sustainable Development and its linkages with the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development

Under this agenda item participants will examine the programme of work of the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development convened under the auspices of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council. The Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council will give a presentation on the role of the Latin American and Caribbean Forum on Sustainable Development and its linkages with the High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development.

Delegations will then hear a presentation on strengthening regional and subregional bonds and coordination in the framework of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC) and from the perspective of the Caribbean small island developing States.

The floor will then be opened for statements by delegations and other participants.

4. An overview of sustainable development in Latin America and the Caribbean

Under this agenda item, representatives of the countries that chair the subsidiary bodies of ECLAC, the major intergovernmental meetings and recent international conferences will present the major challenges associated with implementation and follow-up of the post-2015 development agenda in the region. A representative of the Regional Council for Planning of the Latin American and Caribbean Institute for Economic and Social Planning will present some considerations on integrating the development agenda into national planning mechanisms. The Chair of the Executive Committee of the Statistical Conference of the Americas of ECLAC will set out the measurement challenge with respect to the post-2015 development agenda. A member of the negotiating committee of the countries signatory to the Declaration on the application of Principle 10 in Latin America and the Caribbean will report on the progress in the negotiations of a regional instrument on rights of access to information, participation and justice in environmental matters. The Chair of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean will give an account of the work carried out in connection with the post-2015 development agenda. A representative of the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee will give a presentation on the linkages between the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway and the post-2015 development agenda. Lastly, a representative of Peru, in his capacity as Chair of the twentieth session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, will expound on the region’s priorities with respect to the climate change negotiations and their connection with the sustainable development goals.

The floor will then be opened for statements by delegations and other participants.

5. Report on the Regional Consultation on Financing for Development in Latin America and the Caribbean

A representative of the secretariat and a representative of Chile, host country of the Regional Consultation on Financing for Development in Latin America and the Caribbean, will report on the outcomes of the consultation and the means of implementation for the post-2015 development agenda.
6. **Consideration of the request submitted by the Kingdom of Norway for admission as a member State of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean**

The request submitted by the Kingdom of Norway for admission as a member State of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean will be considered under this item.

**Working document:**

- Request by the Kingdom of Norway for admission as a member State of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean. Note by the secretariat (LC/L.3971/Rev.1)

7. **Other matters**

Any other matters that the delegations may wish to raise will be discussed under this item.

8. **Consideration and adoption of resolutions**

Under this item, the Committee of the Whole will discuss and adopt its resolutions.