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DAY 1

08:00 – 08:50: Breakfast Meeting of Ministers and Alternates, hosted by the Secretary of the Commission, ECLAC, for consultations on the election of the Bureau (Chair, 3 Vice-Chairs and a Rapporteur); and to review the Agenda and Programme of Work for the session. (Rule 13).

09:00 – 10:00: Opening Ceremony
- Dr Carlyle Corbin, United States Virgin Islands (Outgoing Chair)
- Mr José Luis Machinea, Executive Secretary of ECLAC
- Honourable Knowlson Gift, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Trinidad and Tobago (Incoming Chair)

10:00 – 10:20: Coffee Break

10:20 – 10:30 Agenda Item 2 - Election of Officers
Agenda Item 3 - Adoption of agenda
Agenda Item 4 - Procedural matters and organization of work

10:30 – 11:30: Item 5: Social Protection and the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs): A Caribbean Perspective

Panel I
Presenters:
- Mr Vincent Atkins, on behalf of Dr. Richard Bernal, CRNM
- Mr Andras Uthoff, Officer-in-Charge, Social Development Division ECLAC, Santiago
- Ms Asha Kambon, Social Affairs Officer, ECLAC, Port of Spain

11:30-12:30: Response by Dr Dennis Brown, Lecturer, Department of Behavioural Sciences UWI, St Augustine (10 mins) followed by a discussion.

12:30 – 14:00: Luncheon hosted by the Executive Secretary of ECLAC for Heads of Delegation
14:00 – 15:45: Item 6: Follow-up to the Mauritius Strategy for the further implementation of the SIDS Programme of Action.

Panel II
Presenters:
• Mr Dennis Pantin, Senior Lecturer, Economics Department, UWI, St Augustine
• Mr Garfield Barnwell, Director, Sustainable Development, CARICOM Secretariat
• Dr Carlyle Corbin, Chairman of the Core Group of the Regional SIDS Meeting for Follow-up of the Mauritius Implementation Strategy.

Discussion:
Open discussion on the main issues contained in the presentations, with particular focus on proposals for implementing the Mauritius outcomes in the Caribbean and the outcome of the Core Group deliberations.

15:45 – 16:00: Coffee Break

16:00 – 17:30: Item 7: Implementing the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS)

Panel III
Presenters:
• Mr Hernan Moreno, Division of Production, Productivity and Management ECLAC, Santiago
• Ms Sandra John, Chief, Knowledge Management Center, ECLAC, Port of Spain

Response by Ms Gillian MacIntyre, Deputy Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Public Administration and Information Trinidad and Tobago

17:30 Closure of Day 1

18:30 – 21:30 Reception hosted by the Honourable Knowlson Gift, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Trinidad and Tobago
DAY 2

09:00- 10:00:  Item 8: The ECLAC work programmes for 2004-2009, including the draft proposal for subregional activities in the Caribbean, 2008-2009

Presenters:

- Ms Marta Maurás, Secretary of the Commission, (20mins)
- Mr Neil Pierre, Director, ECLAC, Port of Spain: (20 mins)
- Mr Jorge Mattar, Deputy Director, ECLAC, Mexico: (10 mins)

10:00 – 10:20: Coffee Break

10:20– 10:30: Presentation on work programme item - International and Regional Migration by Ms Karoline Schmid, Population Affairs Officer, ECLAC Port of Spain

10:30 – 12:30: Discussion on the ECLAC work programmes. Representatives of regional and international organizations will be invited to comment on areas of convergence and possible collaboration with their respective work programmes.

12:30 – 14:30: Luncheon hosted by the Government of Trinidad and Tobago

14:30 – 17:00: Item 9: Adoption of decisions and resolutions

Item 10: Date and venue of the thirteenth Meeting of the Monitoring Committee

Item 11: Other matters

Item 12: Closure of the Session