



Twenty-seventh session
Oranjestad, Aruba, 11-16 May 1998

**SEVENTEENTH SESSION OF THE CARIBBEAN DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION
COMMITTEE AT THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL**

Oranjestad, Aruba, 14 May 1998

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

The seventeenth session of the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee (CDCC) is scheduled to be held at the ministerial level on 14 May 1998, in Oranjestad, Aruba, starting at 9 a.m. The main objectives of this meeting will be to consider the report on the seventeenth session of CDCC at the technical level, held in Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago on 23 and 24 March 1998, and to endorse the proposed work programme for the 2000-2001 biennium. The meeting will also deliberate on proposals for the revision of administrative support arrangements between CDCC and the Caribbean Council for Science and Technology (CCST).

1. Opening of the meeting

The outgoing Chairman will declare the meeting open, conduct the election of the new officers and welcome the incoming Chairman.

2. Election of officers

Rule 5 of the Rules of Procedure of 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 provides that at each session the Committee shall also elect two Vice-Chairmen and a Rapporteur, who may be ministers, advisers or experts.

By convention, the officers at the ministerial-level meeting will come from the same countries as the corresponding officers at the technical-level meeting.

3. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

The agenda of the session and the organization of work will be considered under this agenda item.

4. Review of the work of the secretariat

Under this item, the meeting will consider the report of the Director on activities carried out by the ECLAC Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean for the 1996-1997 biennium and proposals for the conduct of the programme of work for the 1998-1999 biennium. The meeting will also consider the proposed programme of work for the 2000-2001 biennium.

5. Consideration of the report of the seventeenth session of CDCC at the technical level, held in Port of Spain on 23 and 24 March 1998

Under this item, the meeting will consider the report on the seventeenth session of CDCC at the technical level, held in Port of Spain on 23 and 24 March 1998.

6. Action taken on CDCC resolution 38(XIV) on the Caribbean Council for Science and Technology

Under this item, the main issue to be discussed will be the report on administrative support arrangements for the Caribbean Council for Science and Technology.

7. Other business

Government representatives will have the opportunity to raise other matters for discussion.

8. Date and venue of the eighteenth session of CDCC

The Committee will agree on a date for the eighteenth session of CDCC. Rule 11 of the Rules of Procedure provides that regular sessions of the Committee shall be held once a year. However, meetings have recently been held at longer intervals. The Committee will consider invitations from member Governments for hosting the next session.