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Fourteenth meeting of the Monitoring Committee of the CDCC Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, 7-8 September 2009

MEETING OF THE MONITORING COMMITTEE OF THE CDCC

PROVISIONAL ANNOTATED AGENDA

1. Welcome remarks

Welcome remarks will be made by Ms. Edwina Leacock, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Trinidad and Tobago and Chair of the CDCC as well as by Mr. Neil Pierre, Director, ECLAC Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean and Ms. Laura Lopez, Secretary of the Commission, ECLAC Headquarters, Santiago, Chile.

2. Adoption of the agenda

The meeting will consider the Provisional Agenda that has been circulated by the secretariat and introduce such amendments as it deems appropriate.

3. Procedural matters and organization of work

The meeting will adopt its hours of work and such other arrangements of a procedural or organizational nature as may be deemed necessary. Confirmation of current office holders will be as follows:

• Chair: Trinidad and Tobago

• Vice-Chairs: First Vice-Chair – Barbados

Second Vice-Chair – Turks and Caicos Islands

Third Vice-Chair – Cuba

• Rapporteur: Puerto Rico.

4. Progress report on the implementation of the programme of work for the 2008-2009 biennium as at August 2009

The Director of the ECLAC Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean will present a progress report on the implementation of the programme of work for the 2008-2009 biennium as at August 2009. The progress report will incorporate a review of activities carried out since January 2008, with annexes covering list of publications; meetings, workshops and seminars convened during the biennium; technical assistance rendered to members and regional institutions; and implementation of extrabudgetary projects.

5. Strategic Review of preparations for the implementation of the 2010-2011 programme of work as approved by the thirty-first Session of ECLAC

The Director of the ECLAC Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean and Mr. Rudolf Buitelaar of the Division Programme Planning and Operations (DPPO) of ECLAC, will present the state of affairs regarding the preparations for the implementation of the work programme 2010-2011, including strengthening of interdivisional collaboration within ECLAC and partnership arrangements with regional organizations and activities to ensure extrabudgetary funding.

6. The role of ECLAC in middle-income Caribbean countries:

The meeting will receive highlights on the role of ECLAC in regard to:

- (a) Cooperation towards the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs);
- (b) The impact of the global financial crisis on middle income Caribbean countries;
- (c) Disaster risk reduction and impact assessments; and
- (d) Review of the Economics of Climate Change.

A general debate will follow.

7. The role of CDCC in Caribbean and regional development: Presentation and discussion of Implementation Plan

The Secretariat will make a brief presentation of a draft implementation plan arising from the decisions of the twenty-second meeting of the CDCC, convened in 2008, which examined the issue of the role of the CDCC in Caribbean regional development. The presentation will explore the outcome of previous consultations on this matter and take account of actions undertaken and proposed by the Secretariat. A general debate will follow.

8. Conclusions and recommendations of meetings held on the eve of the CDCC Monitoring Committee:

(a) Meeting of the TAC of the RCM/Mauritius Strategy

Under this item, the report of the meeting on the TAC of the Regional Coordinating Mechanism for the Sustainable Development of SIDS will be presented. The Monitoring Committee will receive an update on preparations underway for the Five Year Review of the Mauritius Strategy Implementation (MSI+5)

(b) Meeting of the working group of ECLAC Associate Member Countries

The working group of ECLAC Associate Member Countries (AMCs) will inform the Monitoring Committee on the outcomes of its meeting.

9. Date and venue of the twenty-third session of the CDCC

The meeting will set a date and venue for the twenty-third Session of the CDCC, which will be held in the first quarter of 2010, prior to the thirty-third Period of Session of ECLAC in 2010. Alternatively, arrangements may be made for the determination of these aspects on the basis of consultations with which the Secretariat could be entrusted.

10. Other matters

This agenda item provides delegations with the opportunity to raise any matter of relevance to the CDCC not included in the meeting's agenda. The secretariat will also bring any issue of relevance to the attention of delegations.

11. Consideration and adoption of the draft report of the Fourteenth Meeting of the Monitoring Committee of the CDCC

Following a presentation by the Rapporteur, the meeting will be invited to adopt such modalities as it considers appropriate for the adoption of its report.

12. Closure of the meeting

Upon the conclusion of discussions on the preceding agenda items, the meeting will be brought to a close with statements by the Chair of the meeting and the Director of the ECLAC Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean.