

PROVISIONAL

Distr. RESTRICTED  
CRS/2007/CRP.2

ORIGINAL: ENGLISH

SECOND INTERNATIONAL DECADE FOR THE ERADICATION OF COLONIALISM

Caribbean Regional Seminar on the implementation of the Second  
International Decade for the Eradication of  
Colonialism: next steps in decolonization

St. George's, Grenada  
22 to 24 May 2007

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF WORK

Monday, 21 May  
4:30 – 5:30 p.m. Registration of participants at the Grenadian By Rex Resorts

Tuesday, 22 May  
8:00 – 8:45 a.m. Continuation of registration at the Grenadian By Rex Resorts

Opening session

9:00 – 9:45 a.m. Opening of the seminar by the Chair of the Special Committee,  
Permanent Representative of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines  
to the United Nations, H.E. Ambassador Margaret H. Ferrari

Statement of welcome by H.E. Hon. Elvin Nimrod, Foreign  
Minister of Grenada

Message from the Secretary-General (Ms. Freda Mackay, Chief,  
Decolonization Unit, Department of Political Affairs, UN  
Secretariat)

9:45 – 10:00 a.m. Break

First meeting

Tuesday, 22 May  
10:00 – 10:30 a.m. Organization of the seminar:  
- Adoption of the agenda  
- Appointment of officers  
- Appointment of the Chair of the Drafting Group  
- Programme of work

First meeting (cont'd)

- 10:30 - 10:45 a.m.      Role of the Special Committee in facilitating the decolonization of the Non-Self-Governing Territories within the framework of the Second International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism  
 - H.E. Ambassador Margaret H. Ferrari, Chair of the Special Committee
- 10:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.      Perspectives of administering Powers and territorial Governments, as well as views of experts on steps towards the completion of the decolonization process in the Caribbean region: discussion
- 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.      Lunch break

Second meeting

- 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.      Perspectives of administering Powers and territorial Governments, as well as views of experts on steps towards the completion of the decolonization process in the Caribbean region (continued)  
 - Dr. Nicole Philip (Grenada)  
 - Dr. Howard Fergus (Montserrat)  
 Perspectives of administering Powers and territorial Governments, as well as views of experts on steps towards the completion of the decolonization process in the Pacific region and other Non-Self-Governing Territories  
 - H.E. Hon. Joe Holliday, Deputy Chief Minister (Gibraltar)
- 4:15 - 5:15      Discussion
- 5:15 - 5:30 p.m.      Follow-up to the 2006 Pacific regional seminar, including the case of Tokelau: Written statement by the Administrator of Tokelau, H.E. Mr. David Payton (New Zealand)
- 5:30 - 6:00 p.m.      Discussion

Wednesday, 23 May  
10:00 – 10:45 a.m.

Third meeting

Perspectives of administering Powers and territorial Governments, as well as views of experts on steps towards the completion of the decolonization process in the Caribbean region (continued)

- Dr. La Verne E. Ragster (USVI)
- Dr. Daniel Malcolm (Turks and Caicos Islands)

Perspectives of administering Powers and territorial Governments, as well as views of experts on steps towards the completion of the decolonization process in the Pacific region and other Non-Self-Governing Territories (cont'd)

- Hon. W. E. (Bill) Drabble MLC LA, Executive Council (St. Helena)
- Dr. Richard Davies, Legislative Councillor, Falkland Islands (Malvinas)
- Mr. Ahmed Boukhari, Representative of *Frente Popular para la Liberación de Sagúa el-Hamra y del Río de Oro* (Frente POLISARIO)

10:45 – 1:00 p.m.

Discussion

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Lunch break

Fourth meeting

3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Role of the United Nations system in providing assistance to the Non-Self-Governing Territories: presentations by representatives of UNDP and ECLAC

- Ms. Paula Mohamed (UNDP Barbados and the OECS)
- Mr. Ronald Williams (ECLAC Subregional Headquarters for the Caribbean)

3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Perspective of the non-governmental and other organizations on the process of decolonization in the Caribbean region

- Anguilla National Council of Women (Mrs. Lana Hoyoung (Anguilla))
- Education and Development Programme (GRENEDE), Dr. Dessima Williams, Founder and Director of GRENEDE (Grenada)
- Education and Development Programme (GRENEDE), Mrs. Gloria Payne-Banfield, Acting Director of GRENEDE (Grenada)

4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Discussion

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Drafting Group meeting

Fifth meeting

Thursday, 24 May  
10:00 – 10:30 a.m.

General exchange of views on the draft report of the seminar  
and its conclusions and recommendations

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Discussion

12:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Lunch break

Sixth meeting

Thursday, 24 May  
3:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Adoption of resolution on expression of appreciation to the  
Government and people of Grenada

Closing statements

- Representative of the Government of Grenada
- Chair