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SECOND INTERNATIONAL DECADE FOR THE ERADICATION OF COLONIALISM

Caribbean Regional Seminar on the implementation of the Second International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism: challenges and opportunities in the process of decolonization in today's world

Frigate Bay, Saint Kitts and Nevis
12 to 14 May 2009

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF WORK

Monday, 11 May
4:30 – 5:30 p.m.

Registration of participants at the Marriott Hotel

Tuesday, 12 May
8:00 – 8:45 a.m.

Continuation of registration at the Marriott Hotel

Opening session

9:00 – 9:45 a.m.

Opening of the seminar by the Chairman of the Special Committee, Permanent Representative of Indonesia to the United Nations, H.E. Dr. R. M. Marty M. Natalegawa

Statement of welcome by Mrs. Astona Browne, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of National Security, Immigration and Foreign Affairs, Government of Saint Kitts and Nevis

Message from the Secretary-General (Mr. Michael M. Streitz, Senior Political Affairs Officer, Decolonization Unit, Department of Political Affairs, United Nations Secretariat)

9:45 – 10:00 a.m.

Break

First meeting

Organization of the seminar:

Tuesday, 12 May
10:00 – 10:15 a.m.

- Agenda of the seminar
- Officers of the seminar
- Programme of work

First meeting (cont'd)

Challenges and opportunities in the process of decolonization in today's world

- 10:15 – 10:30 a.m. – H.E. Dr. R.M. Marty M. Natalegawa, Chairman of the Special Committee

- 10:30 – 11:00 a.m. **Discussion**

Challenges and opportunities in the process of decolonization of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in the Caribbean region

- 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
- Ms. Lolita Davis-Richardson, Representative of the Chief Minister of Anguilla
 - The Hon. Walton Brown Jr., Representative of the Premier of Bermuda
 - The Hon. Vernon Malone, Representative of the Premier of British Virgin Islands
 - Dr. The Hon. Lowell Lewis, Chief Minister of Montserrat
 - The Hon. Galmo Williams, Premier of the Turks and Caicos Islands

- 12:15 – 1:00 p.m. **Discussion**

- 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. **Lunch break**

Second meeting

Challenges and opportunities in the process of decolonization of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in the Caribbean region: (continued)

- 3:00– 4:00 p.m.
- *Anguilla and Montserrat* (Prof. Jessica Byron)
 - *The United States Virgin Islands' constitutional convention exercise* (Dr. Carlyle Corbin)
 - *Cayman Islands* (Ms. Sophia Harris, Esq.)
 - *The role of women in the current decolonization process* (Ms. Lana Huyong, Anguilla National Council of Women)

- 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. **Discussion**

- 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. **Reception hosted by the Government of Saint Kitts and Nevis**

Wednesday, 13 May

Third meeting

10:00 - 10:15 a.m.

Challenges and opportunities in the process of decolonization of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in the Pacific region and other Territories, including a follow-up to the 2008 Pacific Regional seminar

- New Zealand (written statement)
- Tokelau (written statement)
- *A Comparative Examination of Issues on American Samoa and USVI conventions and outreach work* (Mr. Tregenza A. Roach)

10:15 - 10:45 a.m.

Discussion

10:45 - 11:15 a.m.

Challenges and opportunities in the process of decolonization of the Non-Self-Governing Territories in the Pacific region and other Territories (continued)

- The Hon. Tony Green, Legislative Councillor (St. Helena)
- Mr. Ahmed Boukhari, Frente Popular para la Liberación de Saguía el-Hamra y del Río de Oro (Frente POLISARIO)

11:15 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Discussion

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Lunch break

Fourth meeting

3:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Role of the United Nations system in providing developmental assistance to Non-Self-Governing Territories

- Presentation by UNDP (Mr. Stein Hansen, Deputy Resident Representative, UNDP/Barbados and OECS)
- Presentation by ECLAC (Mr. Ronald Williams, ECLAC)

3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Discussion

6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Reception hosted by the Chairman of the Special Committee

Thursday, 14 May

Fifth meeting

- 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m. **Way forward: Priorities for the remainder of the Second International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism and possible approach and priorities beyond the Second International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism (General discussion)**
- 12:00 – 12:30 p.m. **Presentation on the draft report of the seminar proceedings by the Rapporteur**
- 12:30 – 1:00 p.m. **Closing statements**
– H.E. Ambassador Delano Frank Bart QC, Permanent Representative of Saint Kitts and Nevis to the United Nations
– Chairman
- 1:00 – 1:15 p.m. **Adoption of resolution on expression of appreciation to the Government and people of Saint Kitts and Nevis**