

Caribbean regional seminar on the “Implementation of the Fourth International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism: charting a dynamic course for decolonization in commencing the Fourth International Decade and in the light of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic, through commitment to mandate, collaboration, pragmatism and agility”

**Cabrits Resort & Spa Kempinski, Parish of St. John, Dominica,
25 – 27 August, 2021**

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF WORK

Tuesday, 24 August

2:30 – 5:30 pm Registration (Cabrits Resort & Spa Kempinski)

7:30 pm Welcome cocktail (Creole beach bar, Cabrits Resort & Spa Kempinski)

Wednesday, 25 August

8:30 – 9:00 am Continuation of registration (Cabrits Resort & Spa Kempinski)

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OPENING SESSION

10:00 – 10:30 am **Opening of the seminar by the Chair of the Special Committee,
Permanent Representative of Grenada to the United Nations,
H.E. Ms. Keisha McGuire**

**Welcome address by the Honourable Minister for Foreign Affairs
of Dominica
Hon. Dr. Kenneth Darroux**

Message from the United Nations Secretary-General,

H.E. Mr. António Guterres

10:30 – 10:45 am

Coffee break

FIRST MEETING

10:45 – 11:00 am

Organization of the seminar:

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

11:00 – 12:15 pm

Role of the Special Committee in devising new strategies and setting new objectives for the advancement of the decolonization agenda: 1(a) Assessment and review of the actions taken during the Third International Decade; 1(b) Intensifying cooperation with the administering Powers, the Non-Self-Governing Territories and other stakeholders

- Chair of the Special Committee

Discussion

12:15 – 1:00 pm

Perspectives of the administering Powers, the Non-Self-Governing Territories and other stakeholders: Political developments in the Non-Self-Governing Territories in the Caribbean region: (item 2(a) (i))

- Natalio D. Wheatley (British Virgin Islands)
- Thomas Christopher Famous (Bermuda)

Discussion

1:00 – 3:00 pm

Lunch break

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SECOND MEETING

3:00 – 4:30 pm **Perspectives of the administering Powers, the Non-Self-Governing Territories and other stakeholders: Political developments in the Non-Self-Governing Territories, in the Caribbean region (item 2(a) (i)) – Continued**

Discussion

4:30 – 4:45 **Coffee break**

4:45 – 6:00 pm **Perspectives of the administering Powers, the Non-Self-Governing Territories and other stakeholders: Political developments in the Non-Self-Governing Territories, in the Pacific region (item 2(a) (ii))**

- Engel Raygadas (French Polynesia)
- Mr. Hervé Raimana Lallemand-Moe, Expert

Discussion

7:00 pm **Reception and dinner (Creole beach bar, Cabrits Resort & Spa Kempinski)**

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Thursday, 26 August

THIRD MEETING

10:00 – 11:15 **Perspectives of the administering Powers, the Non-Self-Governing Territories and other stakeholders: Political developments in the Non-Self-Governing Territories in other regions (item 2(a) (iii))**

- Joseph John Bossano (Gibraltar)
- Albert Poggio (Gibraltar)
- Sidi Mohamed Omar (Frente Polisario) (Western Sahara)
- Ghalla Bahiya (Western Sahara)

Discussion

11:15 – 11:30 **Coffee break**

11:30 – 1:00 **Perspectives of the administering Powers, the Non-Self-Governing Territories and other stakeholders: Identifying attainable goals; and Ensuring the well-being of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories and their political, economic, social and educational advancement, particularly in the context of the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic ¹ (item 2 (b) and (c))**

Discussion

1:00 – 3:00 pm **Lunch break**

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FOURTH MEETING

3:00 – 4:30 pm **Role of the United Nations system in providing development assistance to Non-Self-Governing Territories in accordance with relevant United Nations resolutions (item 3)**

- Presentations by members of the UN system
(ECLAC video presentation)

Discussion

4:30 – 4:45 pm **Coffee break**

4:45 – 6:00 pm **Concrete proposals for the advancement of the decolonization agenda (item 4)**

Discussion

6:30 pm **Dinner**

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¹ A dispute exists between the Governments of Argentina and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning sovereignty over the Falkland Islands (Malvinas).

Friday, 27 August**FIFTH MEETING**

9:00 – 11:00 am

**Informal consultations on Seminar's conclusions and recommendations
*[Closed] – Attendance limited to C-24 members*****[Plenary Reconvenes]**

11:05 – 11:20

Presentation of the draft report of the seminar by the Rapporteur

11:20 – 11:30

**Adoption of resolution on expression of appreciation to the
Government and people of Dominica**

11:30 – 12:00

Closing statements

- High level representative of Dominica (tbc)
- Chair of the Special Committee

7:30 pm

Farewell dinner (Creole beach bar, Cabrits Resort & Spa Kempinski)

After 12:00**Host Country Activity** (Whale watching)