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**Caribbean regional seminar on the implementation of the  
Fourth International Decade for the Eradication of  
Colonialism: pursuing goals and addressing needs of the  
Non-Self-Governing Territories**

**"Salón Venezuela del Círculo Militar de Caracas", Caracas,  
Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)  
14 - 16 May 2024**

**PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF WORK**

**Monday, 13 May**

15:00 – 18:00      Registration (Diamond Conference Room of the  
Eurobuilding Hotel & Suites and Lobby of the  
Tamanaco Hotel)

**Tuesday, 14 May**

8:30 – 9:30      Continuation of registration at the "Salón  
Venezuela del Círculo Militar de Caracas"

## **OPENING**

10:00 – 10:30

**Opening of the seminar by the Chair of the Special Committee, Permanent Representative of Saint Lucia to the United Nations, H.E. Ms. Menissa Rambally**

**Message from the Secretary-General of the United Nations, H.E. Mr. António Guterres**

**Statement by H.E. Ms. Delcy Rodríguez Gómez, Executive Vice-President of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela**

**Official Group Photo**

10:30 – 10:45

Coffee break

## **FIRST MEETING**

10:45 – 11:00

**Organization of the Seminar:**

- Agenda of the Seminar
- Officers of the Seminar
- Programme of work

11:00 – 12:15

**Role of the Special Committee:**

**(a) Responding to the goals and needs of the Non-Self-Governing Territories with practical and achievable steps;**

**(b) Strengthening cooperation with the administering Powers and relevant stakeholders.**

(agenda item 1 (a) and (b)).

- Chair of the Special Committee

**Discussion**

12:15 – 13:00

**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**

(agenda item 2 (a) (i)).

- Kenneth Hodge (Anguilla)
- Eliezer Benito Wheatley (British Virgin Islands)
- Carlyle Corbin, expert
- Annette Martinez Orabona, expert

**Discussion**

13:00 – 15:00

Lunch break

## **SECOND MEETING**

15:00 – 16:30

**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**

(agenda item 2 (a) (i) – *continued*).

### **Discussion**

16:30 – 16:45

Coffee break

16:45 – 18:00

**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**

(agenda item 2 (a) (ii)).

- Mareva Lechat-Kitalong (French Polynesia)
- Melvin Won Pat-Borja (Guam)
- Mickael Forrest (New Caledonia)

### **Discussion**

**Wednesday, 15 May**

**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**

(agenda item 2 (a) (iii)).

- Teslyn Barkman (Falkland Islands (Malvinas))\*
- Karl Thrower (Saint Helena)
- Sidi Mohamed Omar (Frente POLISARIO) (Western Sahara)
- M'hamed Abba (Western Sahara)

**Discussion**

11:15 – 11:30

Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00

**Perspectives of the administering Powers, the Non-Self-Governing Territories and other stakeholders:**

- **Current realities and challenges, including impact of climate change and progress towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals;**

(agenda item 2 (b)).

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\* 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).

## **Discussion**

13:00 – 15:00      Lunch break

## **FOURTH MEETING**

15:00 – 16:00      **Role of the United Nations system in supporting the Non-Self-Governing Territories, in accordance with relevant United Nations resolutions**

(agenda item 3).

- the United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)
- the World Health Organisation (WHO)

## **Discussion**

16:00 – 16:15      Coffee break

16:15 – 18:00      **Recommendations for action and for practical and achievable results**

(agenda item 4).

## **Discussion**

## **Thursday, 16 May**

9:00 – 11:00

**Informal consultations on Seminar's conclusions and recommendations**

*[Closed] – Attendance limited to C-24 members*

### **FIFTH MEETING**

11:00 – 11:20

**Adoption of the resolution on expression of appreciation to the Government and people of Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)**

11:20 – 11:30

**Adoption of the draft report of the Seminar**

11:30 – 12:00

**Closing statements**

- Representative of the Host Country
- Chair of the Special Committee

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- *Welcome reception at the Lobby of the Círculo Militar de Caracas, on Tuesday, 14 May 2024, from 18-20 h*
  - *Cultural Event and Farewell Dinner on Thursday, 16 May 2024*