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The fourteenth meeting of the Executive Committee of the Caribbean Council for Science and Technology (CCST) was convened in Saint Lucia on the morning of 12 September 1992, immediately prior to convening the eleventh Plenary Session of the CCST from 12-14 September 1992. The meeting was hosted by the Government of Saint Lucia in collaboration with the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC).

The meeting was convened by the Chairman of CCST, Dr Gladstone Taylor of Jamaica. Other member countries of the Executive Committee present were: Cuba (Dr. Tirso Saenz) and Saint Lucia (Mr. Bishnu Tulsie). ECLAC was represented by Mr. Donatus St. Aimée. The list of participants is given as an annex.

The proposed agenda for the Plenary Session was reviewed by the Committee and follows:

- 1. Adoption of the agenda
- 2. Minutes of the tenth Plenary Session and matters arising
- 3. Report on CCST activities 1991-1992:
 - (a) Work programme;
 - (b) Budget performance
- 4. Topic for general discussion:

Problems of the organization of science and technology in the small States of the Caribbean

- 5. CCST work programme 1992-1993
- 6. Secretariat for the CCST
- 7. Election of officers
- 8. Date and venue for twelfth Plenary Session
- 9. Date and venue for fourteenth Executive Committee meeting
- 10. Any other business

The Committee made no changes to the proposed agenda.

In reviewing the agenda, the Committee focused on items 4, 5 and 6. With respect to item 4, it was felt that this topic had been extensively dealt with during the Regional Seminar/workshop for the development of a Plan of Action for Science and Technology for the Caribbean and needed little elaboration, since most countries had made presentations then.

The Committee was of the view that the output of the just-concluded seminar for the development of a plan of action for science and technology for the Caribbean provided sufficient basis for the development of the future work programme of the Council. It agreed therefore to suggest to the Council that the secretariat and the Executive Committee could develop a work programme document which would be circulated to member countries for comment and approval.

With regard to agenda item 6 establish "Secretariat for the CCST", the Chairman informed the Committee on his actions regarding this subject. He presented the response from the Executive Secretary of ECLAC in answer to recommendations made by the Council regarding modalities for staffing the CCST secretariat. The Executive Secretary had replied that CDCC member governments would need to approve any reallocation of existing resources, following which the Commission could initiate the appropriate actions for implementation of their decisions. The Committee agreed that the matter would be discussed in greater detail at the Plenary Session.

The Committee having no further discussions, the meeting was closed by the Chairman.

Annex

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