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Open-ended Meeting of the Presiding Officers
of the ECLAC sessional Ad Hoc Committee
on Population and Development

Santiago, Chile, 10 and 11 March 2004

ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. Adoption of the agenda

The delegations will have before them, for their consideration and adoption, the provisional agenda prepared by the secretariat in consultation with the Presiding Officers of the Ad Hoc Committee. The member countries will have the opportunity to make comments or suggest changes, in accordance with the ECLAC rules of procedure.

The provisional agenda was prepared in accordance with the Latin American and Caribbean Regional Plan of Action on Population and Development; the provisions of ECLAC resolutions 536(XXV), 556(XXVI) and 572(XXVII), as well as its resolution 590(XXIX), which was first adopted at the Ad Hoc Committee meeting held during the Commission's twenty-ninth session (Brasilia, Brazil, 6-10 May 2002); and the outcome of the meeting of the Presiding Officers held on 20 November 2003 in Santiago, Chile.

It should be recalled that, pursuant to ECLAC resolution 536(XXV), entitled "Latin American and Caribbean Regional Plan of Action on Population and Development", and to paragraph 98 of the Plan, the ECLAC sessional Ad Hoc Committee on Population and Development has the ultimate responsibility for the follow-up and review of population and development issues, including the Regional Plan of Action.¹ In addition, the Presiding Officers are responsible for coordination, follow-up and review in the intervals between Ad Hoc Committee meetings, with support from the ECLAC secretariat, which acts as the Committee's secretariat.

2. Report of the Chair and the secretariat

The Chair will report on the activities carried out by the Presiding Officers since the Ad Hoc Committee meeting held in Brasilia on 7 May 2002. The report will cover, among other issues, the outcome of the November 2003 meeting of the Presiding Officers and the Regional Strategy for the Implementation in Latin America and the Caribbean of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, adopted at the Regional Intergovernmental Conference on Ageing (Santiago, Chile, 19-21 November 2003).

¹ LC/G.1920; LC/DEM/G.159.

3. Commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the International Conference on Population and Development at the national, regional and global levels

Reference documents:

- Report of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the Twenty-first Special Session of the General Assembly (A/S-21/5/Add.1).
- Latin America and the Caribbean: review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development (LC/DEM/G.184).
- Implementation of the United Nations Millennium Declaration (A/58/323).

Representatives of the secretariat and the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) will refer to the follow-up of the international conferences held in the 1990s, particularly the worldwide commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the International Conference on Population and Development. They will recall, among other things, the results of the five-year review of the implementation of the Programme of Action adopted at the Conference and will refer to the 10-year review of the Programme as part of the process of assessing the implementation of the outcomes of the other international conferences held in the 1990s. Special emphasis will be placed on the Programme's relevance to the fulfilment of the Millennium Development Goals.

4. Outcomes of the meeting held by the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee (CDCC) (Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, 11 and 12 November 2003) to assess the implementation in the Caribbean of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development

Reference documents:

- Report of the Caribbean subregional meeting to assess the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development 10 years after its adoption (LC/CAR/G.761).
- Review of the implementation of the Cairo Programme of Action in the Caribbean (1994-2004): achievements and constraints (LC/CAR/G.767).

The delegation of Trinidad and Tobago, which chaired the above-mentioned meeting, and the delegation of Jamaica, which served as Rapporteur, will report on the outcome of that meeting.

5. Presentation of the technical report on the implementation in Latin America and the Caribbean of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development 10 years after its adoption

Reference documents:

- Commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the International Conference on Population and Development: actions undertaken to implement the Programme of Action of the Conference in Latin America and the Caribbean (LC/L.2064).
- Proposal on indicators for follow-up to the goals of the International Conference on Population and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean (LC/L.1705-P/I).
- Latin America and the Caribbean: review and appraisal of the implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development (LC/DEM/G.184).

A representative of the secretariat will introduce the technical report on the actions taken in Latin America and the Caribbean between 1994 and 2004 to implement the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development. The report was prepared by the Population Division of ECLAC - CELADE in collaboration with UNFPA, pursuant to the request made by the member States in ECLAC resolution 590(XXIX).

The report contains information from national consultation processes, including the results of a UNFPA study on the progress made over the past 10 years in implementing the Programme of Action, the conclusions of recent research and the regional system of follow-up indicators. It also includes the results of the Caribbean Development and Cooperation Committee meeting held in Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago, on 11 and 12 November 2003 to assess the implementation of the Programme of Action.

The text of the report that will be distributed to delegations at the meeting will be the final version incorporating the comments and observations sent by the member countries up to 29 February 2004.

The delegations will have the opportunity to report on the principal ways in which the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development has been implemented in their respective countries.

6. Preparations for the regular meeting of the ECLAC sessional Ad Hoc Committee on Population and Development to be held within the framework of the thirtieth session of the Commission (San Juan, Puerto Rico, 28 June-2 July 2004)

- (a) Population, ageing and development
- (b) Round table on population and poverty
- (c) Round table on population and HIV/AIDS

A representative of the secretariat, in consultation with the Chair, will introduce a proposed agenda for the next meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee, to be held during the thirtieth session of ECLAC.

In particular, the representative will report on the activities carried out on the subject of population, ageing and development, on which the secretariat is preparing a paper at the Committee's request.

In addition, the representative of the secretariat will report on the preparations being made for the round table on population and poverty, while a representative of UNFPA will describe the debate to be held on population and HIV/AIDS in the other round table.

7. Other matters

Under this item, the delegations will discuss any other issues they may wish to raise.

8. Conclusions

The participants will discuss the conclusions to be drawn from the deliberations and will adopt such considerations, recommendations and contributions as they may deem relevant for the follow-up and implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development and the Regional Plan of Action, with a view to the thirty-eighth session of the United Nations Commission on Population and Development and the forthcoming meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee, to be held within the framework of the thirtieth session of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean.