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SPECIAL MEETING
“OPPORTUNITIES FOR COOPERATION IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF LEGAL AND
INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORKS FOR ADDRESSING ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES IN
THE REGION”

Date: Friday, February 23, 2007

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Simón Bolívar Room

9:00 a.m.

1. Approval draft order of business (CP/OD-1579/07)
2. Remarks by the Chair of the Permanent Council, Ambassador María del Lujan Flores, Permanent Representative of Uruguay to the OAS
3. Remarks by the His Excellency José Miguel Insulza, Secretary General, OAS
4. Oral presentations on environmental trends and shared challenges in the region
 - a. Cristián Samper, Director of the Smithsonian Institution National Museum of Natural History
 - b. Neville Trotz, Science Advisor of the Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre
5. Interventions by delegations

Moderator: Ambassador Lisa Shoman, Permanent Representative of Belize to the OAS

12:30 – 1:30 p.m. Lunch

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6. Oral presentations on existing cooperation mechanisms for environmental issues and the need for institutional strengthening in the Hemisphere
 - a. Paul Miller, Deputy Director of the Northeast States for Coordinated Air Use Management (NESCAUM)
 - b. Rosalía Arteaga, Secretary-General, Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization (ACTO)
 - c. Joao Bosco, Water Resources Secretary, Ministry of the Environment, Brazil
7. Interventions by delegations

Moderator: Mr. Douglas G. Fraser, Alternate Representative of Canada to the OAS

3:00 p.m.

8. Oral presentations on legal and institutional frameworks as a response to environmental trends and challenges in the region
 - a. David Hunter, Professor and Director of the Program on International and Comparative Environmental Law, American University, Washington College of Law
 - b. Gustavo Alanis, President, Mexican Environmental Law Center
 - c. Charles Di Leva, Chief Counsel, Environmentally and Socially Sustainable Development and International Law, Legal Department, The World Bank
9. Interventions by delegations

Moderator: Ambassador Alejandro García Moreno, Permanent Representative of Mexico to the OAS

4:30 p.m.

10. Intervention by representatives of International Organizations:
 - a. James Warren Evans, Sector Director, Environment Department, World Bank (WB)
 - b. Ricardo Quiroga, Senior Economist, Environment Division, Sustainable Development Department, Inter-American Development Bank (IADB)
 - c. L. Brennan Van Dyke, Director, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)-Regional Office for North America
 - d. Inés Bustillo, Director, United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)-Washington Office
 - e. Georgina Nuñez, United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)- Washington Office

11. Interventions by delegations

Moderator: Mr. J. Robert Manzanares, Interim Representative of the United States to the
OAS

12. Remarks by the Executive Secretary for Integral Development, Ambassador Alfonso Quiñonez

13. Closing remarks by the Chair of the Permanent Council, Ambassador María del Lujan Flores, Permanent Representative of Uruguay to the OAS