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THIRD INTERNATIONAL DECADE FOR THE ERADICATION OF COLONIALISM

Pacific regional seminar on the implementation of the Third International Decade for  
the Eradication of Colonialism: current realities and prospects

Quito, Ecuador  
30 May to 1 June 2012

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF WORK

Tuesday, 29 May 4:30 – 5:30 p.m.	Registration of participants at the Hilton Colon Quito Hotel
Wednesday, 30 May 9:00 – 9:45 a.m.	Continuation of registration at the Hilton Colon Quito Hotel
	<u>Opening session</u>
10:00 – 10:30 a.m.	Opening of the seminar by the Chairman of the Special Committee, Deputy Permanent Representative of Ecuador to the United Nations, H.E. Dr. Diego Morejón-Pazmiño
	Statement of welcome by H.E. Mr. Ricardo Patiño Minister of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Integration of Ecuador
	Message from the Secretary-General (Mr. Sergei Cherniavsky, Chief, Disarmament and Peace Affairs Branch, Department of General Assembly Affairs, United Nations Secretariat)
10:30 – 10:45 a.m.	Coffee break

Wednesday, 30 May

10:45 - 11:00 a.m.

**First meeting**

**Organization of the seminar:**

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

11:00 - 11:15 a.m.

**The role of the Special Committee in facilitating the decolonization of the Non-Self-Governing Territories within the framework of the Third International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism**

- Chairman of the Special Committee, H.E. Dr. Diego Morejón-Pazmiño

11:15 - 11:30 a.m.

**Discussion<sup>1</sup>**

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

**Current realities and prospects for decolonization in the Pacific region (representatives, experts and NGOs)**

- Mr. Toetasi Fue Tuiteleapaga, Representative of the Governor of American Samoa
- Ms. Lisa Natividad, Representative of the Governor of Guam
- Prof. Edward Wolfers, expert (Australia)
- Mr. Ed Alvarez, expert (Guam)

12:30 - 1:00 p.m.

**Discussion**

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

**Lunch break**

**Second meeting**

**Current realities and prospects for decolonization in the Pacific region (experts and NGOs)**

3:00 - 3:15 p.m.

- Agence kanak de developement [New Caledonia] (Mr. Sarimin Boengkih)

3:15 - 3:45 p.m.

**Discussion**

3:45 - 4:00 p.m.

**Coffee break**

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<sup>1</sup> Member States participating in the seminar wishing to make statements will be given the floor during the discussion periods.

Second meeting (continued)

- 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. **Current realities and prospects for decolonization in the Caribbean region (representatives, experts and NGOs)**
- Mrs. Josephine Gumbs-Connor (Anguilla)
  - The Hon. Kim Wilson, JP (Bermuda)
  - The Hon. Delores Christopher (British Virgin Islands)
  - The Hon. Reuben T. Meade (Montserrat)

- 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. **Discussion**

Thursday, 31 May

Third meeting

- Current realities and prospects for decolonization in the Caribbean region (representatives, experts and NGOs)**
- 10:00 – 10:30 a.m.
- Ms. Wilma Reveron-Collazo, expert (Puerto Rico)
  - Anguilla National Council of Women (Dr. Lana HOYOUNG)
- 10:30 – 11:00 a.m. **Discussion**
- 11:00 – 11:15 p.m. **Coffee break**
- 11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **Current realities and prospects for decolonization in the other regions**
- The Hon. Roger Edwards (Falkland Islands (Malvinas))<sup>2</sup>
  - The Hon. Joseph Joe Bossano, Minister (Gibraltar)
  - Mr. Mohamed Yeslem Beisat Deich, Frente Popular para la Liberación de Saguía el-Hamra y del Río de Oro (Frente POLISARIO)
- 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. **Discussion**
- 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. **Lunch break**

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<sup>2</sup> A dispute exists between the Governments of Argentine and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning sovereignty over the Falkland Islands (Malvinas).

Thursday, 31 May

Fourth meeting (continued)

3:00 – 6:00 p.m.

[Closed meeting of the drafting group]

Friday, 1 June

Fifth meeting

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 a.m.

Recommendations on advancing the decolonization process  
(general discussion)

12:00 – 12:15 p.m.

Briefing on the draft report of the seminar by the Rapporteur

12:15 – 12:30 p.m.

Adoption of resolution on expression of appreciation to the  
Government and people of Ecuador

12:30 – 1:00 p.m.

Closing remarks by the Chair

RECEPTION:

30 May, 6:30 p.m. Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Integration of Ecuador