

### ASSOCIATION OF CARIBBEAN STATES (ACS)

#### II MEETING OF THE WORKING GROUP ON CUSTOMS FACILITATION

# ACS Secretariat, Port of Spain, Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2013

# DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA

9:00 - 9:30am	Accreditation of Delegates
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- 9:30 10:00am I. Opening Ceremony
  - Welcome remarks President of the Special Committee of Trade Development and External Economic Relations, Representative of Colombia
  - Welcome remarks His Excellency Ambassador Alfonso Múnera Cavadía, ACS Secretary General
  - Welcome remarks Director of Trade Development and External Economic Relations, Mr. Alberto Durán Espaillat

10:00-10:10am II. Approval of the Agenda and Procedural Matters

10:10-11:00am III. Report on Conclusions of I Working Group and Work Undertaken

- Mr. Alberto Durán Espaillat, Director of Trade Development and External Economic Relations
- Discussion

11:00-11:15am

#### BREAK

- 11:15-11:45am IV. Presentation by Ms. Margarita Libby, International Consultant on Trade Facilitation
  - Synopsis of the Trade Facilitation process on a global scale

11:45am-12:30pm	V. Presentation by United Nations Conference for Trade and Development – UNCTAD (to be confirmed)
	<ul> <li>Discussion on the actual Trade Facilitation state on a regional scale</li> </ul>
12:30-2:00pm	LUNCH (A light lunch will be provided)
2:00-3:30pm	VI. Presentation by World Customs Organization (To be Confirmed)
	<ul> <li>Customs Facilitation and Procedures – The Benefits of Trade Facilitation</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Overview Authorized Economic Operators- Development and Implementation of an AEO Programme</li> </ul>
3:30-3:45pm	BREAK
3:45-4:30pm	VII. Working Group Session: Review of the Memorandum of Understanding
	<ul> <li>Presentation of the Draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), Director of Trade, Mr. Alberto Durán Espaillat</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Discussion and Responses from Member States on Draft MOU</li> </ul>
4:30-5:00pm	VIII. Next Steps
	<ul> <li>Summary and Conclusions</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Discussion of the date for next Working Group Meeting</li> </ul>

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