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WORK SCHEDULE FOR THE FOURTH REGULAR MEETING OF THE INTER- AMERICAN COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (COMCYT)

Thursday April 15, 2004

9:00 a.m. Registration

INAUGURAL SESSION

10:00 a.m. Welcoming remarks by the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States

Ambassador Luigi Einaudi, Assistant Secretary General of the OAS
Alice Abreu, Director of the Office of Science and Technology of the OAS

10:35 a.m. Welcoming remarks by Dr. Gonzalo Cordoba, President COMCYT

10:50 a.m. Inaugural Declaration by Dr. Gonzalo Cordoba

10:55 a.m. Coffee Break

11:10 a.m. FIRST PLENARY SESSION

Topics:

- Approval of the Final Agenda of the Meeting
- COMCYT Report on the past 3 years of activities presented by the President of COMCYT
- Election of COMCYT Officers for the period 2004-2005; President, Dr. Arnoldo Ventura; Vice President, Dr. Fernando Gutiérrez; Second Vice President, Dr. Benjamín Marticorena
- Composition of the Style Subcommittee

12:30 a.m. Lunch Break

FIRST PLENARY SESSION (continued)

2:00 p.m. Report on the Workshop of Hemispheric Policies in Science and Technology and Innovation to Increase Competitiveness in the Productive Sector, carried out in Argentina; Dr. Gerardo Bompadre, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Argentina

- 2:20 p.m.** Report on the Workshop of Hemispheric Policies in Science and Technology and Innovation for Social Development, carried out in Jamaica, by the host country; Dr. Arnaldo Ventura, Special Advisor to the Prime Minister on Science and Technology of Jamaica
- 2:40 p.m.** Report of the Workshop on Hemispheric Policies in Science and Technology and Innovation for Scientific and Technological Development in the Americas, carried out in Ecuador; Dr. Alfredo Valdivieso, Executive Director, FUNDACYT
- 3:00 p.m.** Report of the Workshop on Hemispheric Policies in Science and Technology and Innovation for Popularization of Science and Technology, carried out in Brazil; Dr. Alfredo Tolmasquim, Director, Museu de Astronomia e Ciências Afins (MAST)
- 3:20 p.m.** Coffee Break
- 3:30 p.m.** Report of the Workshop on Hemispheric Policies in Science and Technology and Innovation to Consolidate discussions and agreements reached on all four previous workshops, presented by the Office of Science and Technology of the OAS; Dr. Alice Abreu, Director
- 3:45 p.m.** Discussion on Workshops and approval of Consolidated Report
- 5:15 p.m.** Horizontal Cooperation in Science, Technology and Innovation in the Americas; Dr. Maria del Rosario Guerra, Director General of COLCIENCIAS, Colombia
- 5:30 p.m.** **END OF FIRST PLENARY SESSION**

Friday April 16, 2004

- 9:00 a.m.** **SECOND PLENARY SESSION**
The Summits of the Americas – Welcoming remarks by Irene Klinger, Executive Secretary, Secretariat for the Summit Process of the Americas
Topic:
Strategies of Cooperation with other International Organizations and of the Inter-American System
- 10:00 a.m.** Science and Technology for Development: An IDB Strategy; Marta Cehelsky, Senior Adviser for Science and Technology in the Department of Sustainable Development of the Inter-American Development Bank (IADB)
- 10:15 a.m.** Strategic Approaches to Science and Technology in Development; Robert Watson, Chief Scientist & Senior Advisor, Environmentally and Socially Sustainable Development (ESSD), The World Bank
- 10:30 a.m.** The Inter-American Committee on Education; Daniel Gonzales Spencer, President, Secretariat of Public Education, Mexico.
- 10:45 a.m.** Inventing a better future. A strategy for building worldwide capacities in science and technology. A report from the InterAcademy Council; Michael Clegg, Foreign Secretary, U.S. National Academy of Sciences

11:00 a.m. Engineering for a Better World: a new program from UNESCO; Russel C. Jones, Chair of the World Federation of Engineering Organizations (WFEO), Standing Committee on Capacity Building & UNESCO

11:15 a.m. **Coffee Break**

Topic:

Process of Preparation for the Hemispheric Meeting of Ministers and High Officials in Science and Technology:

11:30 a.m. Work plan and Methodology

12:00 a.m. Proposal for the Declaration of Lima

12:45 a.m. Proposal for the Plan of Action of Lima

1:00 a.m. **Lunch Break**

SECOND PLENARY SESSION (continued)

2:00 p.m. **COMCYT Agreements**

The President of COMCYT will gather and present the decisions of the Committee that will be summarized in a draft document listing all agreements reached by the delegates attending this Meeting. Delegates will discuss and approve the document.

3:00 p.m. **Consideration of the date and place for the Fifth Ordinary Meeting of the COMCYT**

The President of COMCYT will promote an exchange of views on possible dates and places for the Fifth Regular Meeting of COMCYT.

4:00 P.M. **Other Business**

The delegates will be given the opportunity to express any other issue they wish to deal with.

4:15 p.m. **Conclusions**

A short report will be presented on the results of the 4th Regular Meeting of COMCYT

4:30 p.m. **CLOSING SESSION**

5:00 p.m. **END OF SECOND PLENARY SESSION**