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LIST OF DECISIONS

CAM/DEC/1 (X)

Adoption of the agenda

Agenda item 1

The Commission,

Adopted the provisional agenda without amendment or change in the order of items.

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CAM/DEC/2 (X)

Election of the Credentials Committee

Agenda item 2

The Commission,

Appointed the delegations of Colombia and Costa Rica to constitute the Credentials Committee.

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CAM/DEC/3 (X)

Election of the Committee entrusted with drafting the decisions

Agenda item 3

The Commission,

Appointed Argentina and Jamaica to the Committee entrusted with drafting the decisions.

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CAM/DEC/4 (X)

Communication by the Chairman

Agenda item 4

The Commission,

Recorded with satisfaction the communication by the Chairman;

Expressed its appreciation of his remarks urging that efforts be made to ensure the smooth operation of the meeting;

Welcomed his proposal to hold, in the framework of its next meeting, an open consultation of a general nature, on questions of particular or common interest to States and tourism administrations in the region of the Americas; and

Thanked him for his communication.

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CAM/DEC/5 (X)

Communication by the Secretary-General

Agenda item 5 (document CAM/10/5)

The Commission,

Took note of the communication by the Secretary-General and of the elements of information contained therein on the Organization's method of operation; and

Thanked him for it.

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CAM/DEC/6 (X)

Consideration of the studies and guidelines prepared by the Organization under its general programme of work for 1980-1981 and submitted to the Regional Commissions in accordance with the decision of the General Assembly at its fourth session

Agenda item 6 (document CAM/10/6)

The Commission,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 99(IV) by which it was specifically entrusted with following up on certain activities undertaken as part of the Organization's general programme of work for 1980-1981,

Took note of the proposals made by the Secretary-General in paragraph 14 of document CAM/10/4 for the implementation of the aforementioned resolution;

Designated the delegations of Jamaica and Colombia to represent it on the study group to be established by the Secretary-General with a view to making a technical evaluation of the report on harmonizing the content and presentation of information material (B.3.2.3.);

Invited Member States to communicate to the Secretary-General their opinions and comments on the following documents prepared under the Organization's general programme of work for 1980-1981, rigorously respecting the established time limit:

- Tourism forecasting (B.1.3.)
- Guidelines for the collection and presentation of domestic tourism statistics (B.2.2.1.)
- Guidelines for the collection and presentation of international tourism statistics (B.2.2.2.); and

Requested the Secretary-General to report to the next meeting of the Commission on the results of this survey.

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CAM/DEC/7 (X)

Practical application of the conclusions and recommendations of certain selected studies, reports and handbooks prepared by the Organization under its general programme of work for 1980-1981

Agenda item 7 (document CAM/10/7)

The Commission,

Having thoroughly discussed the practical application of the conclusions and recommendations of the studies, reports and handbooks prepared by the Organization under its general programme of work for 1980-1981,

Invited member States to give due consideration to the findings of these various studies, reports and handbooks and taking account, as appropriate, of the particular conditions of each State, to use these findings as a source of inspiration in the planning of their tourism policies; and

Noted with satisfaction that certain delegates have already utilized the research work carried out by the Organization within the framework of their national tourism activities.

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CAM/DEC/8 (X)

Consideration of the conclusions of the Seminar on Tourism Area Development and adoption of the recommendations

Agenda item 8 (document CAM/10/8)

The Commission,

Having taken note of the conclusions and recommendations of the Seminar on Tourism Area Development held at Lima in November 1981,

Considered that the Seminar's recommendations on the whole constitute a positive approach and can, in appropriate cases, be considered a source of inspiration to States in all tourism area development matters, in accordance with their constitutional, administrative and socio-economic structures;

Thanked the delegations of Colombia, Mexico, Cuba and Peru for their contributions to the Seminar's proceedings;

Thanked the Government of Peru for the hospitality extended to the participants in this Seminar; and

Expressed its sincere appreciation to H.E. Mr. Fernando Belaunde Terry, President of the Republic of Peru, for the interest he has demonstrated in the Organization's activities and the encouragement he gave to the delegations by addressing them after the Seminar.

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CAM/DEC/9(X)

Consideration of the conclusions of the second Seminar on Cultural Tourism

Agenda item 9 (document CAM/10/9)

The Commission,

Having taken note of the conclusions and recommendations of the second Seminar on Cultural Tourism held at Kingston from 14 to 16 June 1982,

Considered the conclusions and recommendations thereof constructive and positive;

Decided to accept for purposes of guidance the aforementioned conclusions and recommendations;

Thanked the Chairman of the Seminar, the Hon. Anthony Abrahams, Minister of Tourism of Jamaica for the cordial and efficient manner in which he conducted the discussions, the Vice-Chairman, Mr. Luis Baldi3n Rinc3n, for his excellent work and the delegates of Mexico, Colombia, the United States of America and Brazil for their valuable contribution to the Seminar's proceedings; and

Expressed its sincere appreciation to the Right Honourable Edward Seaga, Prime Minister of Jamaica, for his most enlightening address.

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CAM/DEC/10(X)

Status of implementation by CAM Members of the standardized hotel classification for the Americas

Agenda item 10 (document CAM/10/10)

The Commission,

Having considered the hotel clasification standards for the Americas,

Confirmed its decision taken at the Seventh Meeting (Rio de Janeiro, June 1980) to accept such standards solely for purposes of guidance in the establishment of a hotel classification system; and

Aware that the criteria for classification are not always accepted by tourism administrations and the hotel sector,

Considering, on the other hand, that such hotel classification is desired by certain States,

Recommended that Members wishing to implement a hotel classification system be duly inspired by the classification standards accepted by the Commission for the purposes of guidance and that Members adapt them, as appropriate, to local conditions in consultation with tourism interests and organizations.

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CAM/DEC/11(X)

Proposed technical meetings for the Americas region under the Organization's general programme of work for 1982-1983

Agenda item 11 (document CAM/10/11)

The Commission,

Having considered the proposals for the holding of technical meetings in the region of the Americas,

Decided to select the following topics for said meetings:

- A. Domestic and Intraregional Tourism in the Region of the Americas: November 1982
- B. The Economic Impact of Tourism in the Countries of the Americas: June 1983; and

Requested the Secretary-General to sound out Members, in consultation with the Chairman, with a view to fixing the venues of these two technical meetings.

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CAM/DEC/12(X)

Information report on the implementation of the Manila Declaration on World Tourism

Agenda item 12 (document CAM/10/12)

The Commission,

Having taken note of the information report on the implementation of the Manila Declaration on World Tourism submitted by the Secretary-General, as well as of the additional comments provided orally by him,

Requested its member States to give due attention to the principles of the Manila Declaration when drawing up and implementing, as appropriate, their tourism policies, plans and programmes, in accordance with their national priorities and within the framework of the Organization's general programme of work.

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CAM/DEC/13(X)

Information report on the preparatory work for the World Tourism Meeting (Acapulco, 21-27 August 1982)

Agenda item 13 (document CAM/10/13)

The Commission,

Having considered the Secretary-General's report on the preparatory work for the World Tourism Meeting to be held at Acapulco, Mexico from 21 to 27 August 1982,

Confirmed its willingness to ensure that the region actively and appropriately assert its presence at this important meeting of a more political than technical character; and

Invited its member States to take the necessary measures with a view to ensuring their participation at this world meeting at the ministerial level, in accordance with decision 14(XVIII) of the Executive Council.

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CAM/DEC/14(X)

Information report on WTO's activities in the field of facilitation

Agenda item 14 (document CAM/10/14)

The Commission,

Took note of the information report on the Organization's activities in the field of facilitation, as well as of the additional comments provided orally by the Secretary-General;

Underlined the importance of facilitation for the development of international travel;

Commended its representatives on the Facilitation Committee to describe the particular situation of the region with respect to passports, visas, customs, currency exchange, health and temporary vehicle import formalities so that those matters be taken into account in developing regulations and procedures in the field of facilitation; and

Requested all its Members to reply within the prescribed time limits to the questionnaire prepared by the Secretariat with a view to contributing to the success of this enquiry.

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CAM/DEC/15(X)

Information report on the preliminary measures
for the celebration of World Tourism Day

Agenda item 15 (document CAM/10/15)

The Commission,

Convinced that World Tourism Day is an initiative that cannot fail to promote tourism and bring about a better understanding by governments, the private sector and public opinion of all its social, cultural, economic and political values;

Expressed its desire to contribute positively to this initiative;

Invited its Members to celebrate World Tourism Day in an appropriate manner, based on the list of activities suggested in document CAM/10/15;

Noted with satisfaction that certain States have already established wide-ranging plans and programmes with the support and cooperation of administrations, tour-operators, the information media and the public; and

Requested its member States to inform the Secretary-General of the plans and events contemplated and organized by them so that they may be brought to the attention of all Members of the Organization and the public information media.

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CAM/DEC/16(X)

Representation of the Commission within the
Executive Council and its subsidiary organs

Agenda item 16 (document CAM/10/16)

The Commission,

Took note of the information provided by the Secretary-General on the representation of the Commission on the Executive Council and its subsidiary organs;

Heard with particular interest the report of the United States Delegate on the proceedings of the Executive Council's eighteenth session; and

Requested its Members to apprise its representatives on the Council and its subsidiary organs, in accordance with the responsibilities indicated in document CAM/10/16, of their wishes and requirements so that these could be reported.

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CAM/DEC/17(X)

Report of the Credentials Committee

Agenda item 17

The Commission,

Took cognizance of the report submitted to it by the Credentials Committee;

Approved the said report; and

Decided to abolish the practice of presenting credentials, accepting instead the communications sent by member States to the Secretary-General concerning their delegations to the meetings.

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CAM/DEC/18(X)

Date and place of the eleventh meeting

Agenda item 18

The Commission,

Decided to hold its eleventh meeting in June 1983; and

Requested the Secretary-General to take the necessary measures, in consultation with the Chairman, with a view to fixing the venue of this meeting.

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CAM/DEC/19(X)

Vote of thanks

The Commission,

Thanked the Government of Jamaica for its generous hospitality and for the excellent facilities made available for the meeting as well as the Chairman for the cordial and skilful fashion in which he had conducted the discussions;

Expressed its appreciation to the Prime Minister, the Right Honourable Edward Seaga, for the honour he had bestowed upon it by his presence at the opening ceremony; and

Requested the Honourable Minister of Tourism of Jamaica to express its appreciation and deepest gratitude to those who took part in the preparatory work of the meeting and ensured that it proceeded smoothly, thereby demonstrating the hospitality and competence of the Jamaican people.

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