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**NOTE**

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from : Presidency  
to : Horizontal Drugs Group

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Subject : Meeting of the Caribbean informal working group (IWG), Brussels,  
28 April 1999 (Participants : Austria, France, Netherlands, Spain, United  
Kingdom, Commission (temporary), General Secretariat (temporary))

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**Agenda**

**1. Possible donor contributions to national Joint headquarters equipment**

The IWG considered the Project Document submitted by the director of the Project Management Office (PMO) with a letter addressed to the Presidency on 19th April 1999 unanimously as insufficient. The Presidency has been asked to inform in its reply the PMO that the IWG expects within a month the presentation of a matrix describing the need of equipment of the different national Joint Headquarters, the estimated contribution of each government and the requested supplementary means. The draft of this reply will be concerted with the group.

Luxembourg will be informed of this proceeding.

Furthermore the opinion prevailed that the present proposal concerning St.Kitts could be considered as a basis for a pilot project.

One of the members indicated the importance of the Maritime Commanders Conference at the end of the year as a time target for the launching of the PMO-projects.

**2. Donor contributions to PMO Administration Account in 1998 and 1999**

Several members of the group explained the present situation of efforts made in order to contribute to the PMO Administration Account. The Presidency promised to follow this question closely.

**3. Preparation of the meeting with Colonel Liverpool (Caricom/RCM)**

Colonel Liverpool works as the Coordinator of the Regional Coordinating Mechanism (RCM) for Drug Control Programmes within the Caricom Secretariat. A member of the IWG gave short information about the C.V. and the current activities of Colonel Liverpool. Subsequently the IWG had an interesting exchange of information's and opinions with him, i.a. about questions concerning a possible maritime agreement within the region.

**4. Any other business**

Following the wish expressed by one member of the group the COM agreed to present as soon as possible a review of its relevant activities in the region.

The IWG reiterated its willingness to support the project to delegate the French officer in the PMO to the Steering Committee of the CFATF on the basis of an initiative of the COM.