

GRENADA ASSUMES CHAIRMANSHIP OF CARICOM CAUCUS OF AMBASSADORS

Washington, DC – 10 February 2011 — The Caucus of CARICOM Ambassadors in Washington, DC today held its first meeting under the new chair, Ambassador Gillian Bristol of Grenada.



Her Excellency Gillian M. S. Bristol

The Chair called for the definition of a focused prioritized agenda for 2011 and the realization of those objectives in a strategic manner.

The 14 member group discussed substantive issues including CARICOM representation on OAS bodies, CARICOM-US relations, strengthening democracy in the region, tourism and the International Year for People of African Descent.



Ambassador Bristol as she Chairs the first CARICOM Caucus of the year

The Caucus is comprised of all the CARICOM countries and the chairmanship rotates every 6 months and corresponds to the chair of the heads of Government. The Caucus seeks to represent a unified CARICOM position at the OAS and in bilateral relations with the United States.

Three new Ambassadors from St. Kitts and Nevis, Suriname and Trinidad and Tobago are expected to join the Caucus in the coming weeks.

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