

Press release



Delegations of member states meet in New York:

ECLAC Committee of the Whole to Discuss Financial Crisis

Commission Executive Secretary Alicia Bárcena will speak on perspectives for Latin America and the Caribbean and how to support the most troubled countries.

(06 February 2009) The *Twenty-fifth session of ECLAC's Committee of the Whole* will be held on Monday, 9 February at United Nations headquarters in New York. This Ad-hoc Committee allows government delegations of member states to meet between the official sessions of the Economic Commission.

The event will be inaugurated at 10 a.m. by **Juan Temístocles Montás**, Secretary of Economy, Planning and Development of the Dominican Republic, who presides over the meeting.

ECLAC Executive Secretary **Alicia Bárcena** will speak on the following topics:

- ▶ Outlook and perspectives on Latin America and the Caribbean in light of the 2008-2009 crisis.
- ▶ Priority tasks for ECLAC in providing support to countries in the region.

Afterwards, **Montás** will present a report on the seminar "The Emerging Global Financial Order: a Regional Perspective", held in the Dominican Republic last November.

The session period of ECLAC's Committee of the Whole will end with the presentations of the permanent ambassadors to the United Nations and the adoption of agreements. This will be **Bárcena's** first meeting with this important ECLAC body. **Bárcena** assumed her position last July.

More information on the *Twenty-fifth session of the Committee of the Whole* is available at the link.

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