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The Conference, in keeping with the recently established tradition, focused on the Agricultural Sector of the host country with a view of formulating recommendations to the Government on the basis of its general deliberations. These recommendations are included in an Appendix.

Opportunity was taken during the Conference to discuss a special area of interest of the Caribbean Agro-Economic Society, i.e. the functioning of regional institutions in the context of the agricultural development of the Commonwealth Caribbean.

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