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COUNTRY REPORT - GRENADA

Attached for the attention of the Meeting is Paper entitled *Country Report* submitted by Grenada.

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## GRENADA COUNTRY REPORT

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<b>ECONOMIC STATISTICS</b>						
National Accounts	GDP figures available annually up to 2009, estimates for 2010 and projections up to 2012 Rebasing exercise completed. GDP index rebased from	GDP tables by sector at constant and current prices  Report on the rebasing	No SUT No income by expenditure approach	Low response rate in sectors of manufacturing, restaurant, travel agents, construction & installation. Overall response rate (61%)  Constant follow up reduce work time  Rebasing resulted in greater coverage and the incorporation of updated methodology	-National Accounts training in house -Additional Staff	
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Consumer Price index	Monthly price collections for CPI New CPI basket established price collection for new CPI started january 2010. Both new and	-A monthly press release is done on CPI highlighting major price changes in each month. -CPI data is also presented in quarterly		COICOP classification has staff been used in New CPI Expanded sample of outlets than in old CPI which more representative. 193 outlets compared to 78 in old. 1102 varieties and	SQL server software Additional staff Training in CPI manual 2004	Price index processing software (PIPS)  Access database

	old CPI are running currently	economic review -New CPI Launched, with a publication highlighting processes and key findings		2,900 prices compared to 385 price specifications. Challenge: -Increase workload on a limited -Database to be transferred to sQL server		
Balance of Payment	BOP Surveys conducted for year 2009. ECCB Mission 2010 completed with revisions, new estimates and projections up to 2012	BOP tables		High response rate-averaging over 80% 86.1% in 2008.  Challenge: constant follow up reduces work time.	Additional Staff	
Business register	Trinidad CSO has provided training & assistance in guidance on the content and scope of a business register and developing a template for data entry			Survey of businesses will have to be done for additional information.	Funding for survey	Access database
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Labour Force Survey	-OECS harmonized LFS survey being undertaken -Field work is			-Drop out rate of enumerators in St. George's parish remains a major issue. -Data processing staff	Additional verification license.  Advance training	Teleform PDA technology CSPRO

	<p>completed          -Data processing is currently ongoing. Coding, scanning &amp; verification          - Questionnaire has also been designed in CSPRO and tested on PDA</p>			<p>were involved in the field work by enumeration, supervision and actual listing of EDs</p>	<p>in SPSS</p>	
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<b>OTHER AREAS OF ECONOMIC STATISTICS</b>						
Agriculture and Fisheries	<p>Data on major crop production e.g Nutmeg &amp; Mace, cocoa, Banana &amp; fresh fruits and vegetables</p>	<p>Quarterly economic review</p>				

	Data available on fish production also available on a quarterly basis					
Tourism	Available up to June 2010. Data is collected from Grenada Board of tourism	Quarterly economic review	No TSA done	Data is timely. There is a quarter lag		
Financial	Up to date banking information  Credit union data is collected from the league	Quarterly economic review		A good relationship with commercial banks. Information is supplied on a timely basis.  Data is not as reliable as bank therefore a lot of verification is required		
External debt	Information supplied by Budget department- available annually up to 2009					
Government Revenue & Expenditure	Data compiled annually from Grenada's estimates of revenue and expenditure					
Work permits	Data available annually up to 2009. The raw data is collected	Disseminated by industry and occupation, age group, sex and				

	from the ministry of labour	country of origin				
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<b>TRADE STATISTICS</b>						
	Annual Trade Data completed for 2009  Provisional data available up to July 2010.	Basic trade tables		Major issue with customs department- have problems with the New HS 2007 since they are not always providing data at the 8 digit but by the broad headings. Human resource constraints at customs	Additional staff required	

				<p>dept.</p> <p>The ports of carriacou and Grenville are now automated, However, data is submitted to statistics a month late</p> <p>Major import items petroleum. Vouchers reaches into customs very late and months data are lumped together and have to be assorted by CSO officers</p> <p>Underestimation of exports eg Fish at customs dept. Hence data is not useable</p>		
New Eurotrace	Data entry and editing and analysis is done in the new eurotrace. It is fully incorporated in trade statistics system, up and running.			Benefits are now being realized from using new eurotrace. Ease of data editing, getting reports from comex on imports and exports.		
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SOCIAL STATISTICS						

Vital Statistics- Births, deaths, Marriages & Divorces	Data available up to 2009	Vital statistics report being prepared  Abstract of statistics	Deaths by cause included in vital statistics as it is not submitted by Ministry of Health	Inconsistencies with Ministry of health need for greater harmonisation		
Other social statistics e.g Education, Health, Crime, accidents, immigration	Data available to 2009	Abstract of statistics				
Poverty	Poverty assessment completed 2007/2008	Country poverty Assessment final report available electronically and on CDB website		Regular Implementing of SLC to effectively monitor changes in poverty situation	-Permanent field staff required for continuity of poverty assessment. -SPSS software needed to do analysis -Training in data analysis in SPSS to replicate by ourselves to analysis of SLC	SPSS to perform
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MDG	MDG Committee appointed by cabinet. Data is being collected from all	MDG focal point hired Consultant for writing 2010 report on MDG. A draft report is	Poverty data only 2 data points on poverty line (1998, 2008),	Difficulty in getting stakeholders to submit information	-Funding for surveys of living conditions and demographic health surveys or	



	stakeholders	completed	Health, lack of social household surveys		MICS survey to capture information on key indicators for MDG. -Training to build staff capacity in the design, sampling, administration of household surveys and the processing, analysis and interpretation of survey results	
SPICEISLE INFO	Spiceisle info database launched	Available online and on CD		Getting line Ministries involved in assisting with spiceisle info Roll out of DevInfo to line ministries		DevInfo 6.0
Environment Statistics	Imports fuel, fertilizers -2009  Production of electricity and water (up to 3 <sup>rd</sup> ¼ 2010  Waste disposal  Fisheries	Economic review	No data on air/energy	Meta Data not available  Difficult to get information disaggregated in the recommended categories for water production and other areas		

	Housing data Environmental health	Census and SLC		No information received from the ministry of health.  Difficulties in getting data from ministry of environment and energy department		
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