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NORTH AMERICAN, CENTRAL AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN OFFICE**

**TWENTY-SIXTH EASTERN CARIBBEAN INFORMAL WORKING GROUP MEETING
(26TH E/CARIWG)**

(Barbados, 3 to 7 June 2002)

Agenda Item 4: **CNS Developments**

4.2.2 Radar Data Sharing

(Working Paper presented by Barbados)

SUMMARY

Radar Data Sharing in the E/CAR Region has been a subject for discussion for the past four E/CAR IWG Meetings. No real action has been taken on the subject and the Meeting is requested to appoint a new rapporteur.

1 Background

1.1 Radar data sharing has become a fixed agenda item in all meetings over the past four years. States showed great interest in participating in the sharing of radar data as it was then presented as an aid to reduce the difficulties and complexities experienced in the provision of air traffic services in the region.

1.2 One Meeting on Radar Data Sharing was convened in Martinique in 1999. States were required to provide Martinique, the rapporteur of the Radar Data Sharing Task Force, with specific information on their radars to establish a protocol for the connectivity of radars in the region. States present at that meeting provided the information as required.

1.3 Subsequent to this there has been no progress in this area and at each E/CAR Working Group Meeting, Radar Data Sharing is placed on the Agenda.

1.4 Further, Barbados has expended large sums of money to have its current MSSR manufactured with all the required protocols for regional connectivity. However, there has been no further action on Radar Data Sharing apart from raising the subject at every E/CAR IWG Meeting since 1999.

2. Action required

2.1 The Meeting is invited to reassess the requirement for radar data sharing in the E/CAR and if it is found to be still needed, then every action should be taken to move the activity to a conclusion. If it is no longer needed, then the Radar Data Sharing Task Force should be disbanded and the Item removed from the Agenda of these Meetings.
