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The **CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY** (hereinafter called "**CARICOM**") and the **GOVERNMENT OF THE CAYMAN ISLANDS**,

HAVING REGARD to Article 231 of the Revised Treaty of Chaguaramas Establishing the Caribbean Community including the CARICOM Single Market and Economy which provides for Associate Membership of the Community;

RECOGNISING the present constitutional restraints on the capacity of the Government of The Cayman Islands to participate in the decision-making process of CARICOM on matters relating to defence and foreign affairs;

BEARING IN MIND the existing and the possible further involvement of the Government of The Cayman Islands in areas of functional co-operation with CARICOM;

ACKNOWLEDGING that the Government of The Cayman Islands has received the relevant Instrument of Entrustment to enable it to participate as an Associate Member of CARICOM;

HEREBY AGREE as follows:

The Cayman Islands shall, in accordance with the decisions of the Conference of Heads of Government of CARICOM taken at its Thirteenth Inter-Sessional Meeting held in Belize City, Belize, during the period 3-5 February 2002, become an Associate Member of CARICOM subject to the following terms and conditions:

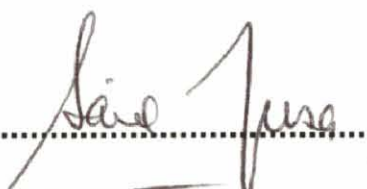
- (i) the right of attendance by The Cayman Islands as an Observer at Meetings of the Conference of Heads of Government and the Community Council of Ministers;
- (ii) the right of participation (without the right to vote) in the deliberations of the Organs and Subsidiary Bodies of the Community, with the exception of the Council for Foreign and Community Relations, in order to promote the interest of The Cayman Islands in specific programmes and measures, including the right to propose programmes and measures or the modification of programmes and measures as well as to share in the benefits of all CARICOM regional

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programmes and measures, whether proposed by The Cayman Islands or not. It is mutually agreed and understood that The Cayman Islands will not participate in the discussions relating to Foreign Policy issues in any other Organ of the Community;

- (iii) accession by The Cayman Islands to the Protocol on Privileges and Immunities of the Caribbean Community, and other relevant Community instruments, and enactment of national legislation necessary for conferring the required status upon the Community in its national jurisdiction;
- (iv) acceptance by The Cayman Islands of the Caribbean Community travel document (laissez-passer);
- (v) pursuant to the related provisions of the Treaty Establishing the Community as amended, decisions of the concerned Organs and Subsidiary Bodies would continue to be based on the action of the existing full members of the Community;
- (vi) the required quorum for meetings of the concerned Community Organs and Subsidiary Bodies would continue to be based on the existing full members of the Community;
- (vii) payment of an appropriate contribution to the budget of the CARICOM Secretariat.

DONE in duplicate at CAYMAN ISLANDS this 15th day of MAY 2002

Signed 
**Chairman of the Conference
 of Heads of Government
 on behalf of the
 Caribbean Community**

Signed ,
Government of The Cayman Islands