Agreement for the official establishment of the Caribbean Customs Organization signed in Havana



Havana, May 23 (RHC)--The 41st annual conference of the Caribbean Customs Law Enforcement Council (CCLEC) got underway in the Cuban capital on Wednesday, with the signing of an agreement for the official creation of the Caribbean Customs Organization (CCO).

The event is running until Friday at Havana's Hotel Nacional.

The Chief of Cuba's General Customs Office, Colonel Nelson Cordoves Reyes, signed the agreement, making the island one of the organization's 39 members.

The official highlighted the relevance of the meeting's motto, The path to success is strength through unity, and expressed confidence in consolidating consensus as a trend of positions that will successfully confront the region's complex challenges.

Ricardo Trevino, Under-Secretary-General of the World Customs Organization, presented two programs that will benefit the area as procedural guides for small-economy island countries.

The organization will also promote the so-called *Hummingbird Project*, related to the control and risk management of small aircraft operations in the Caribbean.

The Caribbean Customs Law Enforcement Council (CCLEC) is a multilateral regional organization dedicated to improving the overall professionalism of its members.

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