

Decisions, Outputs and Outcomes of the 12th CRO Summit Barbados, 4-8 December, 2008

1. The Summit ratified the Draft CRO Constitution.
2. [Nominations](#) were opened for the executive positions of Chair, Co-Chair, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer and Public Relations Officer. Nominations will close on 31 March 2008.
3. The meeting agreed that Ras Franki Tafari, who will be on the executive as Immediate Past Chair, will serve as the PRO to the CRO.
4. The following Trustees were nominated to be approached in writing for appointment:
 - Sister Cecelia Babb – Barbados (Dominica)
 - Ras Iration I – Jamaica
 - Ras Rodney King – Barbados
5. Two Resolutions emanated from the Summit.
 - (i) [Statement in support of the call for an independent investigation into the circumstances surrounding the death of Rastafari youth I'Akobi Tacuma Maloney in Barbados on 17th June 2008.](#)
 - (ii) [Resolution urging Caribbean governments to prioritise implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action as well as participation by governments and civil society organizations in the Durban Review in Geneva from April 20-24.](#)
6. It was agreed that the online site established by Ras I KudosSage I had been effective and that he would be asked to convert this into a general CRO website.
7. Two collections were taken, one for the elders in Shashamane which raised US \$500 and the other to assist with expenses of [Ras DaSilva](#)'s burial (US \$200).
8. The CRO will maintain its autonomy and focus on Reparations, Repatriation and trade while operating in relationship with Rastafari Houses/Mansions, national, regional and international Rastafari organizations, continuing to share information as is pertinent. [It was noted that no formal letter inviting a working relationship with CRO had been received from the Millennium Council in Jamaica.](#)
9. The 13th CRO Summit will tentatively be held in Nevis in August 2009 and the Election of Officers will be held at this Summit
10. A week-long Rastafari Youth Camp will be held in Anguilla during the Easter vacation of 2010.
11. CRO Executive Director, Sister Ijahnya Christian and Immediate Past Chair, Ras Iral Talma met before the Summit with Mr. Roosevelt (Ty) King of the Barbados Association of Non-Government Organisations (BANGO) and with Independent Member of Parliament, the Hon. Hamilton Lashley to secure the latter's agreement to table a Resolution on Reparations in the Barbados House of Parliament early in the New Year (2009). This was announced during a Press Conference at the end of the Summit, with the same persons as well as CRO Chairman, Ras Franki. CRO Secretariat is to prepare a brief for the MP.

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