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A Symposium and Workshop entitled, "Biosphere Reserves and Other Protected Areas for Sustainable Conservation of Smaller Caribbean Islands" is scheduled May 10-12, 1983, at Caneel Bay, St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands. Invited participants will include governmental officials, scientists, and natural resource managers from small Caribbean island nations and the major territories and dependences of the United States and western European countries.

The symposium and workshop will focus on sustainable conservation of small island ecosystems, with particular emphasis on the role of Biosphere Reserves and other protected areas in conserving biological diversity and providing the scientific basis for intelligent management and use of these ecosystems in the Caribbean Basin.

Sponsors include the UNESCO Man and the Biosphere Program, the U.S. NPS, and the Caribbean Conservation Association, among others. In addition, the Park Ser-

vice plans to dedicate the Virgin Islands NP as an international Biosphere Reserve on the last day of the symposium and workshop. The dedication will draw public attention to the importance of integrated development and the role of biosphere reserves in providing the scientific basis for sustainable conservation of the ecosystems of the region.