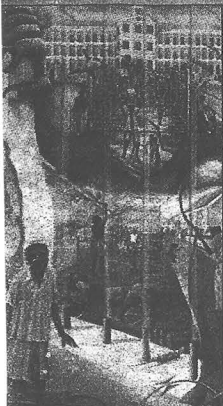


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'MEDIATE ... DON'T LITIGATE'

By Regina Selman

MEDIATION rather than litigation is the way forward for the region.

This is the message Kumar Hathiramani, President of the

ADR Association of Barbados, is sending to Barbados and the Caribbean region.

Hathiramani spoke yesterday at the Association's Breakfast Meeting held at the Accra Beach Hotel and Resort,

Hastings, Christ Church, during Mediation Week in Barbados. The timely gathering also served to celebrate International Conflict Resolution Day, which was recognised yesterday.

Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) and mediation is the fastest growing conflict management technique in North America, Britain and Australia, and is
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Kumar Hathiramani, President of the ADR Association of Barbados, as he spoke on Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) and mediation.

Barbados received 9.4 per cent of GDP in remittances during 2006

AN estimated US \$292 million, or 9.4 per cent of GDP, was pumped into the economy during 2006 from Barbadian migrants living abroad in industrialised countries, the third-largest figure for the

English-speaking Caribbean. This information was included in a United Nations International - Fund for Agricultural Development and Inter-American Development Bank study on remittances,

which was released yesterday. The study found that world-wide, migrants sent more than \$300 billion to their families, more than the \$104 billion provided by donor countries as foreign aid for developing countries. The report, enti-

tled "Sending money home: World-wide remittances to developing countries", noted that the remittances also exceeded foreign direct investment (FDI) in developing countries, which
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