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The following paragraphs have now been agreed ad referendum, and replace the paragraphs of the same numbers in document TD/L.398.

95. In view of the erosion of trade preferences, including the Generalized System of Preferences, which has both trade and development impacts on preference-receiving developing countries, including LDCs, there is a need to find appropriate solutions. In this respect, the international community should support, through effective and appropriate measures, including the outcome of the multilateral trade negotiations, preference-dependent countries in their strategies to diversify their economic base, enhance competitiveness and productive capacities and develop new export opportunities as well as to gradually integrate into the global economy.

151. *(deleted)*

213. Funding for the participation of experts from developing countries, including LDCs, and countries with economies in transition must be sustainable and predictable. Funding will come from the trust fund that exists for this purpose, and the Secretary-General of UNCTAD is requested to make a renewed, sustained effort to attract contributions to the fund on a priority basis. Member States are encouraged to contribute to the fund.