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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS Wednesday, 4 October 2006

10.00 a.m. **PLENARY (991st meeting)**

Room XX

Item 4 - High-level policy dialogue "UNCTAD, development, and the way forward"

Session I

Opening statement

- Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi
Secretary-General of UNCTAD

Keynote addresses:

- The Honourable Mr. Bernard Makuza
Prime Minister of Rwanda
- H.E. Mr. Kamal Nath
Minister of Trade of India
- H.E. Mrs. Paula Lehtomäki
Minister for Foreign Trade and Development of Finland

Interactive debate

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3.00 p.m. **PLENARY (992nd meeting)**

Room XX

**Item 4 - High-level policy dialogue
"UNCTAD, development, and the way forward" (Continued)**

Session II

- Mr. Gerald Andersen
Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, Department of State,
Washington D.C., USA
- Mr. Henrik Harboe
Director, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Norway
- H.E. Mr. Toufiq Ali
Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Bangladesh
to the United Nations in Geneva

Interactive debate

Followed by

5.00 p.m. **General statements**

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**FORTHCOMING MEETINGS
Thursday, 5 October 2006**

10.00 a.m. **PLENARY (993rd meeting)**

Room XXVI

Subtheme 1 - Globalization for development

Session III

- H.E. Mr. Mukhisha Kituyi
Minister of Trade, Kenya
- H.E. Mr. Julio Ortega Tous
Minister, Chief Negotiator, Executive Secretary for
the National Commission for Trade Negotiations of
the Dominican Republic
- H.E. Mr. Clodoaldo Huguency
Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Brazil to
the United Nations in Geneva

Interactive Debate

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3.00 p.m. **PLENARY (994th meeting)**

Room XXVI

**Subtheme 2 - Coherence for development between
national development strategies and international
economic processes**

Session IV

- H.E. Mr. Alan Kyerematen
Minister of Trade of Ghana

- H.E. Mr. Oscar Tangelson
Secretary for Economic Policy of Argentina

Interactive Debate

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INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

Registration

Registration forms will be placed on the desks in Salle XX. It would be appreciated if delegations and observers would complete the forms before leaving the meeting.

Distribution of documents

The documents Distribution Counter is in the lobby on the second floor of the new building ("E" building, door 40).

Participants should bring with them pre-session documents, i.e. documents circulated prior to the opening of the session. Additional copies of pre-session documents may be available, stock permitting, at the Distribution Counter in the Conference Room.

Arrangements for regional group meetings

Requests for rooms for regional group meetings should be made to the UNCTAD Meetings and Credentials Unit (telephone extensions 75599/75497, Room E.3061).

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SUMMARY OF MEETINGS
Wednesday, 4 October 2006

991st Plenary Meeting

Item 4 High-level policy dialogue - "UNCTAD, development, and the way forward"

Session I

Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD, made an opening statement. This was followed by keynote addresses by the Honourable Bernard Makuza, Prime Minister of Rwanda; H.E. Mr. Kamal Nath, Minister of Trade of India; and H.E. Mrs. Paula Lehtomäki, Minister for Foreign Trade and Development of Finland.

During the interactive debate, the following countries took the floor: Russian Federation; Brazil; Switzerland; Argentina (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean Group); Japan; China; Indonesia; Islamic Republic of Iran; Pakistan (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China); Philippines; Afghanistan; India; Honduras; and Egypt. H.E. Mrs. Paula Lehtomäki responded to issues raised by delegations. Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi made closing remarks.

992nd Plenary Meeting

Item 4 High-level policy dialogue - "UNCTAD, development, and the way forward"

Session II

In the afternoon, interactive session II took place with the participation of the following lead discussants: Mr. Gerald Anderson, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, Department of State, Washington D.C., United States of America; Mr. Henrik Harboe, Director, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Norway; and H.E. Mr. Toufiq Ali, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations in Geneva.

During the interactive debate, the following delegations took the floor: Pakistan (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China); Djibouti; Afghanistan; Islamic Republic of Iran; Argentina; Honduras; Senegal; Egypt; Benin (on behalf of the LDCs); and the Third World Network. The lead discussants responded to issues raised by delegations. This concluded the High-level policy dialogue.

The following representatives made general statements: Pakistan on behalf of the Group of 77 and China); Belarus (on behalf of Group D); Finland (on behalf of the European Union and the acceding countries of Bulgaria and Romania); Benin (on behalf of the LDCs); and Indonesia.

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