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Report of the Trade and Development Board to the Conference

Note by the UNCTAD secretariat

1. Paragraph 14 of General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX) provides that when the Conference is not in session, the Board shall carry out the functions that fall within the competence of the Conference. Paragraph 22 provides that the Board shall report to the Conference and it shall also report annually on its activities to the General Assembly.

2. The Board last reported to the Conference at its eighth session. Since that time, the Board has held eight regular sessions, twelve executive sessions (of which seven were pre-sessional sessions) and one special session, as indicated below:

Regular sessions

Thirty-eighth session, second part	21 April-7 May 1992
Thirty-ninth session, first part	28 September-14 October 1992
Thirty-ninth session, second part	15-26 March 1993
Fortieth session, first part	20 September-1 October 1993
Fortieth session, second part	18-29 April 1994
Resumed second part	25-27 May 1994
Forty-first session, first part	19-30 September 1994
Forty-first session, second part	20-31 March 1995
Forty-second session, first part	11-20 September 1995

Executive sessions

(a) Pre-sessional

First (pre-sessional) executive session	21 September 1992
Second (pre-sessional) executive session	5 March 1993
Fourth (pre-sessional) executive session	13 September 1993
Fifth (pre-sessional) executive session	8 April 1994
Seventh (pre-sessional) executive session	15 September 1994
Ninth (pre-sessional) executive session	17 March 1995
Eleventh (pre-sessional) executive session	5 September 1995

(b) Convened to discuss specific topics

Third executive session - Developments in the Uruguay Round	27 April 1993
Sixth executive session - Policy review of technical cooperation	13-14 September 1994
Eighth executive session - Follow-up to the United Nations International Symposium on Trade Efficiency (Columbus, Ohio, 17-21 October 1994)	5 December 1994 and 29 June 1995
Tenth executive session - New and emerging issues on the international trade agenda	4 May 1995
Twelfth executive session - Preparatory process for the ninth session of the Conference	26 February and 29 March 1995

Special session

Eighteenth special session (convened as part of the preparatory process for the ninth session of the Conference)	11-15 December 1995
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3. The Board has reported regularly to the General Assembly. The Assembly has taken note of the relevant reports of the Board in its resolutions 47/183, of 22 December 1992; 48/55, of 10 December 1993; 49/99, of 19 December 1994; and 50/95, of 20 December 1995.

4. The reports of the Board on the sessions referred to in paragraph 2 above would be deemed to constitute the report of the Trade and Development Board to the Conference at its ninth session.

5. This information is brought to the attention of the Conference in pursuance of paragraph 22 of General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX).

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