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II. Annotations to the provisional agenda

Item 1. Election of officers

1. Under rule 64, paragraph 3, of the rules of procedure of the Trade and Development Board, and in accordance with the cycle of rotation for the election of the Chair and the Vice-Chair-cum-Rapporteur, the Chair of the Working Party at its fifty-second session will be a representative of one of the States members on list A (Africa). The Vice-Chair-cum-Rapporteur will be a representative of one of the States members on list C.

Item 2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

2. The Working Party will be invited to approve the provisional agenda for its fifty-second session, as reproduced in chapter I above.

Documentation

TD/B/WP/208 Provisional agenda and annotations

Item 3. Review of the work programme: draft programme budget for the biennium 2010–2011

3. At the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development at its ninth session (UNCTAD IX), the member States of UNCTAD invited the Secretary-General of UNCTAD to “consult with the Working Party during the preparation of the work programme and budget from the earliest possible stage” (TD/377). Accordingly, the Working Party will have before it the first draft of UNCTAD’s work programme for the 2010–2011 biennium, prepared in accordance with the instructions of the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

Documentation

TD/B/WP/L.135 Draft proposed work programme for 2010–2011:
Section 12 – Trade and development

TD/B/WP/203/Rev.1 Work plan for 2008–2011 for the implementation of
the Accra Accord

Item 4. Progress report on the financing of participation of experts from developing countries and economies in transition in UNCTAD’s intergovernmental expert meetings

4. At its fifty-first session, the Working Party requested the secretariat to inform member States on the efforts made by the Secretary-General of UNCTAD to attract voluntary contributions for the funding of the participation of experts from developing countries in expert meetings, including through the funding campaign to be launched in September 2008. An oral progress report will be presented by the secretariat.

Item 5. Provisional agenda for the fifty-third session of the Working Party

5. In the course of the session, the secretariat will submit a draft provisional agenda for the next session of the Working Party.

Item 6. Other business

Item 7. Adoption of the report of the Working Party to the Trade and Development Board

6. The report of the fifty-second session of the Working Party will be submitted to the Trade and Development Board.
