



PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, 24 September 2013

9 a.m. Meeting of the Group of 77 and China Room XXV

10 a.m. Plenary (1108th meeting) Room XXVI

Item 11 (b) Report on UNCTAD assistance to the Palestinian people (TD/B/60/3)

Opening remarks

- Mr. Petko Draganov, Deputy Secretary-General of UNCTAD
- Mr. Mahmoud Elkhafif, Coordinator, Assistance to the Palestinian People Unit, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD

Followed by

- Statements by regional groups and member States
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2 p.m. Meeting of the Bureau Room XXVI

- Draft calendar of meetings
 - Credentials of member States
 - Terms of reference for multi-year and single-year expert meetings
 - Draft provisional agenda for the fifty-eighth executive session
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3 p.m. Plenary (1109th meeting) Room XXVI

Item 12 (a) Matters requiring action by the Board in the follow-up to the thirteenth session of the Conference

Introduction

- Mr. Petko Draganov, Deputy Secretary-General of UNCTAD

Item 12 (b) Report on the UNCTAD Public Symposium (TD/B/60/6)

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 25 September 2013

11 a.m. Informal meeting Room XXVI

Sessional Committee I – Least developed countries (agenda item 5)

- Consideration of the outcome

4 p.m. **Informal meeting** **Room XXVI**

Sessional Committee II – Africa (agenda item 6)

- Consideration of the outcome

**Bureau of the sixtieth session of the
Trade and Development Board**

President

H.E. Mr. Triyono Wibowo (Indonesia)

Vice-Presidents

H.E. Mr. Mikhail Khvostov	(Belarus)
H.E. Mr. Léopold Ismael Samba	(Central African Republic)
H.E. Ms. Victoria Marina Velásquez De Avilés	(El Salvador)
H.E. Mr. Jüri Seilenthal	(Estonia)
H.E. Mr. Thomas Fitschen	(Germany)
H.E. Mr. Efraín Díaz Arrivillaga	(Honduras)
H.E. Mr. Mohsen Naziri Asl	(Islamic Republic of Iran)
H.E. Mr. Abdul Samad Minty	(South Africa)

Rapporteur

H.E. Mr. Thomas Fitschen (Germany)

Sessional Committee I (Least developed countries)

Chair H.E. Mr. Thomas Fitschen (Germany)

Vice-Chair-cum-Rapporteur

Ms. Lillian Saili Bwalya (Zambia)

Sessional Committee II (Africa)

Chair H.E. Mr. Abdul Samad Minty (South Africa)

Vice-Chair-cum-Rapporteur

Ms. Shumeng Li (China)

Information for participants

Registration/attendance forms

Registration/attendance forms will be placed on the desks in the meeting room. 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 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, 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 (ext. 75497, office E.3061).

Statements

Delegates are invited to send electronic versions of their statements to be posted on the UNCTAD website to **statements@unctad.org**. Statements will be made available in the form and language in which they are submitted.

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, 24 September 2013

1108th plenary meeting

Item 11 (b) Report on UNCTAD assistance to the Palestinian people

The Board began its consideration of the item with opening remarks by the President, H.E. Mr. Triyono Wibowo (Indonesia) and Mr. Petko Draganov, Deputy Secretary-General of UNCTAD. Mr. Mahmoud Elkhafif, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD, introduced the secretariat's report on this item (TD/B/60/3).

During the general debate that followed, statements were made by the representatives of the following countries: Ecuador (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the Dominican Republic (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean Group), Iraq (on behalf of the Asian Group), the European Union, Ethiopia (on behalf of the African Group), Benin (on behalf of the least developed countries), the State of Palestine, Israel, China, South Africa, Thailand, Jordan, Egypt, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Indonesia, Kuwait, Algeria, Cuba, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Sudan, El Salvador and Saudi Arabia.

The Board took note of the report by the UNCTAD secretariat (TD/B/60/3) and the statements made by delegations and decided, in accordance with General Assembly decision 47/445, that the report of the Board on its sixtieth session to the General Assembly would include an account of the deliberations under this item.

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1109th plenary meeting

Item 12 Matters requiring action by the Board in the follow-up to the thirteenth session of the Conference

(a) Follow-up to the Joint Inspection Unit report and the agreed conclusions of the twenty-sixth special session of the Trade and Development Board on 6 July 2012

The President of the Board made opening remarks on the agenda item. Mr. Petko Draganov, Deputy Secretary-General of UNCTAD, presented the progress report on the implementation of the workplan for enhancing the management and administration of UNCTAD (TD/B/60/5) and an update on the implementation of the work programme. Statements were made by the representatives of the following countries: Mexico (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean Group), Iraq (on behalf of Asian Group), Ethiopia (on behalf of the African Group), the European Union and Japan (on behalf of JUSSCANZ).

The Board decided to issue a draft decision on agenda item 12 (a) to be considered at the closing plenary.

Item 12 (b) Report on the UNCTAD Public Symposium

Mr. Petko Draganov, Deputy Secretary-General of UNCTAD, made opening remarks on the agenda item.

Ms. Ester Busser, Assistant Director of the International Trade Union Confederation, presented the report on the fourth UNCTAD Public Symposium: New economic approaches for a coherent post-2015 agenda (TD/B/60/6).

Statements were made by the representatives of the following countries: Ecuador (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), South Africa and the Dominican Republic.

The Board took note of the report by the secretariat as contained in TD/B/60/6 and concluded consideration of the agenda item.