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Item 1

Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

1. The provisional agenda for the session is reproduced above.

Documentation

TD/B/EX(57)/1 Provisional agenda and annotations

Item 2

Activities undertaken by UNCTAD in support of Africa

2. A report on UNCTAD's activities in support of Africa is prepared every year and presented to an executive session of the Trade and Development Board. The report provides an overview of research and analysis being undertaken by UNCTAD with regard to African development, as well as a summary of specific activities, including advisory services and technical cooperation, in each sector that falls under UNCTAD's mandate. This report complements and updates the information in document TD/B/EX(55)/2, which was submitted to the fifty-fifth executive session of the Board in July 2012. Under this agenda item, a panel will be convened on "Strengthening linkages between domestic and foreign direct investment in Africa". An interactive discussion will follow.

Documentation

TD/B/EX(57)/2 Activities undertaken by UNCTAD in support of Africa
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direct investment in Africa

Item 3

Matters requiring action by the Board arising from or related to reports and activities of its subsidiary bodies:

(a) Report of the Working Party

3. The report of the sixty-fourth session of the Working Party on the Strategic Framework and the Programme Budget will be before the Board for its consideration.

(b) Report of the Investment, Enterprise and Development Commission

4. The report of the fifth session of the Investment, Enterprise and Development Commission will be before the Board for its consideration.

(c) Report of the Trade and Development Commission

5. The report of the fifth session of the Trade and Development Commission will be before the Board for its consideration.

(d) Terms of reference for multi-/single-year expert meetings

6. In accordance with paragraph 17 of the Doha Mandate and paragraphs 208 and 209 of the Accra Accord, the Board will be invited to approve the remaining terms of reference of the multi-/single-year experts meetings.

Item 4**Designation of non-governmental organizations and intergovernmental bodies for the purposes of rules 76 and 77 of the rules of procedure of the Board**

7. At present, there are 209 non-governmental organizations in status with UNCTAD: 122 in the general category and 87 in the special category; and 113 intergovernmental bodies in status with UNCTAD. Lists of these organizations are contained in documents TD/B/NGO/LIST/14 and TD/B/IGO/LIST/9.

8. In accordance with rules 76 and 77 of the rules of procedure of the Trade and Development Board, the Board will be invited to consider three applications for inclusion in the general category of non-governmental organizations and one application for inclusion in the general category of intergovernmental bodies. Applications for observer status are to be considered from the following non-governmental organizations: Business Development Center, Iniciativa Cultural and Palestinian NGO Network. The intergovernmental body application to be considered is from the Eurasian Economic Commission.

Documentation

TD/B/EX(57)/R.1	Designation of non-governmental organizations for the purposes of rule 77 of the rules of procedure of the Board: Application from the Business Development Center
TD/B/EX(57)/R.2	Designation of non-governmental organizations for the purposes of rule 77 of the rules of procedure of the Board: Application from Iniciativa Cultural
TD/B/EX(57)/R.3	Designation of non-governmental organizations for the purposes of rule 77 of the rules of procedure of the Board: Application from the Palestinian NGO Network
TD/B/EX(57)/R.4	Designation of intergovernmental bodies for the purposes of rule 76 of the rules of procedure of the Board: Application from the Eurasian Economic Commission

Item 5**Other business****Item 6****Report of the Trade and Development Board on its fifty-seventh executive session**