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#### Working Party on the Strategic Framework and the Programme Budget

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Item 2 of the provisional agenda

#### Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

## Provisional agenda and annotations

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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 on the Strategic Framework and the Programme Budget at its seventy-fifth session will be a representative of list B. The Vice-Chair-cum-Rapporteur will be a representative of one of the States members on list A (Asia).



## Item 2

### Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

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

#### *Documentation*

TD/B/WP/284

Provisional agenda and annotations

## Item 3

### Review of the technical cooperation activities of UNCTAD and their financing

3. For its consideration of this item, the Working Party will have before it the report of the Secretary-General of UNCTAD on the review of the technical cooperation activities of UNCTAD and their financing (TD/B/WP/285), which deals with activities undertaken in 2016. This report is being submitted both to the Working Party at its seventy-fifth session and to the Trade and Development Board at its sixty-fourth session. The report contains analytical information on the different sources of financing for the technical cooperation activities of UNCTAD, the allocation of technical cooperation resources by type of project and by region and an updated overview of the structure and functioning of UNCTAD technical cooperation.

4. Annex I to the above-mentioned report, which is subtitled “Review of activities undertaken in 2016” (TD/B/WP/285/Add.1), provides a review of the technical cooperation activities undertaken in 2016 under various programmes and projects. It contains background information on the activities, as well as information on their impact and results.

5. Annex II to the above-mentioned report, which is subtitled “Statistical tables” (TD/B/WP/285/Add.2), provides data on financial contributions, project expenditures and the distribution of expenditures among different regions and programmes. It also provides a list of the projects under implementation in 2016.

6. Under this agenda item, and in accordance with paragraph 220 of the Accra Accord and paragraph 7 of Trade and Development Board decision 495 (LV), beneficiaries, donors and the secretariat will also have an opportunity to interact and consult on all issues regarding UNCTAD technical cooperation activities.

#### *Documentation*

TD/B/WP/285

Review of the technical cooperation activities of UNCTAD and their financing

TD/B/WP/285/Add.1

Review of the technical cooperation activities of UNCTAD and their financing – Annex I: Review of activities undertaken in 2016 (English only)

TD/B/WP/285/Add.2

Review of the technical cooperation activities of UNCTAD and their financing – Annex II: Statistical tables (English only)

## Item 4

### Evaluation of UNCTAD activities

#### (a) Evaluation of UNCTAD activities: Overview

7. For its consideration of this item, the Working Party will have before it the report of the Secretary-General of UNCTAD entitled “Evaluation of UNCTAD activities: Overview” (TD/B/WP/286), which presents findings from evaluations conducted between April 2016 and April 2017. The report contains the main messages and recommendations from each

evaluation, which may be helpful in informing the assessment, design and future implementation of UNCTAD projects and programmes. The report also highlights lessons learned, addressed specifically to management and programme managers, when planning and implementing projects and programmes. The Working Party will also be invited to review and approve an evaluation plan, discuss how to better support evaluations at UNCTAD, including funding-related issues and submit its conclusions and recommendations to the Trade and Development Board.

**(b) External evaluation of UNCTAD subprogramme 4: Technology and logistics**

8. At its sixty-second session, the Trade and Development Board took note of the report of the Working Party at its seventy-first session, as contained in document TD/B/WP/275, and endorsed the agreed conclusions therein. The agreed conclusions included a request to the UNCTAD secretariat to conduct an independent evaluation of UNCTAD subprogramme 4 on technology and logistics that the Working Party would consider at its seventy-fifth session, in the context of its consideration of an annual external evaluation of an UNCTAD programme under the agenda item on evaluation. The evaluation report will be prepared by an independent evaluation team, who will present their findings, conclusions and recommendations to the Working Party for its consideration.

*Documentation*

TD/B/WP/286	Evaluation of UNCTAD activities: Overview
TD/B/WP/287	External evaluation of UNCTAD subprogramme 4: Technology and logistics
TD/B/WP(75)/CRP.1	Management response to the external evaluation of UNCTAD subprogramme 4: Technology and logistics
TD/B/WP(75)/CRP.2	External evaluation of UNCTAD subprogramme 4: Technology and logistics – Supporting materials

**Item 5**

**Provisional agenda for the seventy-sixth session of the Working Party**

9. 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**

10. The report of the seventy-fifth session of the Working Party will be submitted to the Trade and Development Board.



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### **Corrigendum**

#### **Chapter II, paragraph 1**

For the existing text *substitute*

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