



Programme of meetings

Wednesday, 3 October 2007

10 a.m. **Plenary (1009th meeting)** Room XXVI

Item 11 Other matters in the field of trade and development

- (a) Progressive development of the law of international trade: fortieth annual report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (Vienna, 9–12 July 2007)
- (b) Report of the Joint Advisory Group on the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO on its fortieth session (Geneva, 25–27 April 2007)

Item 3 Interdependence and global economic issues from a trade and development perspective: Regional cooperation for development

2 p.m. **Extended Bureau meeting** Room XXV

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

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Panellists

Mr. Nagesh Kumar
Director-General, Research and Information for Developing Countries

Mr. Brian Thoka Monyake
South African Reserve Bank

Mr. Maurice Odle
Economic Advisor to the Secretary-General of the Caribbean Community

Mr. José Rivera Banuet
Under-Secretary-General of the Latin American Integration Association

Bureau of the fifty-fourth session of the Trade and Development Board

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Chair of Sessional Committee II		
	<i>To be announced</i>	

Information for participants

Registration

Registration forms will be placed on the desks in room XIX. 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, at the distribution counter 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.* 75497/72048, office E.3061).



Summary of meetings

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1009th plenary meeting

Item 11 Other matters in the field of trade and development

- (a) Progressive development of the law of international trade: fortieth annual report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (Vienna, 9–12 July 2007)

The Board took note of the fortieth annual report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (A/62/17) and thus concluded its consideration of this agenda item.

- (b) Report of the Joint Advisory Group on the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO on its fortieth session (Geneva, 25–27 April 2007)

Ms. Gabril Bu, Vice-Chairperson of the JAG presented the report. The Board took note of the report and thus concluded its consideration of this agenda item.

Item 3 Interdependence and global economic issues from a trade and development perspective: Regional cooperation for development

Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD, made a general introduction. Mr. Heiner Flassbeck, Director of the Division for Globalization and Development Strategies, made a detailed introductory statement with reference to the *Trade and Development Report, 2007*.

The general debate was opened. The following representatives made general statements: Mexico, Honduras (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Philippines, Portugal (on behalf of the European Union), Brazil (on behalf of GRULAC), the Russian Federation, China, India, Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Asian Group), Belarus (on behalf of Group D), United States of America, Japan, Indonesia, Angola and Chad (on behalf of the African Group).

Informal meeting

- Item 3** Interdependence and global economic issues from a trade and development perspective: Regional cooperation for development

Panel

The Board met in an informal panel discussion on agenda item 3 with the participation of the following panellists: Mr. Nagesh Kumar, Director-General, Research and Information for Developing Countries; Mr. Brian Thoka Monyake, South African Reserve Bank; Mr Maurice Odle, Economic Adviser to the Secretary-General of the Caribbean Community, Mr. José Rivera Banuet, Under-Secretary-General of the Latin American Integration Association. The panel discussion was followed by an interactive debate.
