PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS

Friday, 16 September 2011

10 a.m.  Sessional Committee I, First Plenary  Room XXVI
Chair: Mr. Wolfgang Rechenhofer (Germany)

Item 5  Implementation of the outcome from LDC-IV: UNCTAD’s contribution  (TD/B/58/7)

- Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General, UNCTAD
- Mr. Cheick Sidi Diarra, Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States
- Ms. Jo Butler, Officer-in-Charge, Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes, UNCTAD
- H.E. Mr. Dinesh Bhattarai, Ambassador, Permanent Mission of Nepal, and Coordinator for Least Developed Countries, Geneva
- Mr. Fikret Kerem Alp, Deputy Representative, Permanent Mission of Turkey – host country of LDC-IV

General statements

- Statements by regional groups and member States

2 p.m.  Meeting of the Group of 77 and China  Room XXV

3 p.m.  Plenary  Room XXVI

Item 9  Investment for development: Implications of non-equity forms of transnational corporations’ operations  (UNCTAD/WIR/2011 and Overview)

Opening remarks

- Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General, UNCTAD
- Presentation of the World Investment Report by Mr. James Zhan, Director, Division on Investment and Enterprise

Panellists

- H.E. Mr. Cristino L. Panlilio, Undersecretary, Ministry of Trade and Industry, Philippines
- Mr. Hugo Sigman, President, Chemo Group, Argentina
- Ms. Harriet Lamb, Executive Director, Fairtrade Foundation, United Kingdom

Discussant

- Mr. Mark Casson, Professor of International Business, University of Reading, United Kingdom

Followed by

- Interactive debate
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10 a.m.  Plenary  Room XXVI

Item 13  Other matters in the field of trade and development

(a)  Progressive development of the law of international trade:
Forty-fourth annual report of the United Nations Commission
on International Trade Law (A/66/17)

(b)  Report of the Joint Advisory Group on the International Trade
Centre UNCTAD/WTO

•  Presentation by the President of the Joint Advisory Group, H.E.
Mr. Hisham Badr (Egypt), on the forty-fourth and forty-fifth
annual reports

Item 11(a)  Review of the technical cooperation activities of UNCTAD
(TD/B/WP/232, TD/B/WP/232/Add.1, TD/B/WP/232/Add.2
and TD/B/WP/236)

and the Programme Budget (TD/B/WP/236)

Item 10  UNCTAD’s contribution to the implementation of and
follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations
conferences and summits in the economic and social fields
(TD/B/58/5)

3 p.m.  Sessional Committee II – Africa (Item 6), Informals  Room XXVI

Discussion on draft agreed conclusions

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Summary of meetings
Friday, 16 September 2011

Sessional Committee I - First plenary meeting

Item 5 Implementation of the outcome from LDC-IV: UNCTAD’s contribution

Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD, made an opening statement. This was followed by a statement by Mr. Cheick Sidi Diarra, Under-Secretary-General and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States, and an introductory statement on agenda item 5 by Mr. Charles Gore, Head, Research and Policy Analysis Branch, Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes, UNCTAD.

General statements

Statements were made by representatives of the following member States: Nepal (on behalf of the Least Developed Countries), Turkey, Zimbabwe (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Ghana (on behalf of the African Group), the Dominican Republic (on behalf of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean Countries), Thailand (on behalf of the Asian Group), Paraguay (on behalf of the Landlocked Developing Countries), China, Cambodia.

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Item 9 Investment for development: Implications of non-equity forms of transnational corporations’ operations

Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD, made an opening statement. This was followed by a presentation of the World Investment Report by Mr. James Zhan, Director, Division on Investment and Enterprise.

The following panellists made presentations: H.E. Mr. Cristino L. Panlilio, Undersecretary, Ministry of Trade and Industry, Philippines; Mr. Hugo Sigman, President, Chemo Group, Argentina; and Ms. Harriet Lamb, Executive Director, Fairtrade Foundation, United Kingdom

Mr. Mark Casson, Professor of International Business, University of Reading, United Kingdom, acted as a discussant during the interactive debate.

An interactive debate followed with interventions by the representatives of Zimbabwe, the Philippines (on behalf of the Asian Group), Paraguay (on behalf of the Landlocked Developing Countries), Chile (on behalf of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean Countries), Ghana (on behalf of the African Group), Hungary (on behalf of Group D).

The panellists made concluding remarks.