PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS
Monday, 23 September 2013

10 a.m. Plenary (1107th meeting) Room XXVI

Item 7 Evolution of the international trading system and its trends from a development perspective (TD/B/60/2)

Opening remarks

- Mr. Mukhisa Kituyi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD

Guest speakers

- H.E. Mr. Joakim Reiter, Ambassador of Sweden to the World Trade Organization
- Mr. Simon Cleasby, Chief Executive Officer, Addax Bioenergy
- Mr. Mark Halle, Director, Trade and Investment Programme, Institute for Sustainable Development
- Mr. Aurelio Parisotto, Senior Economist, Multilateral Cooperation Department, International Labour Organization

Presentation by

- Mr. Guillermo Valles, Director, Division on International Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities, UNCTAD

Followed by

- Interactive debate

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

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3 p.m. Informal meeting Room XXVI

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- Mr. Roberto Carvalho de Azevêdo, Director-General of the World Trade Organization
- Ms. Arancha González, Executive Director of the International Trade Centre

Followed by

- Interactive debate

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS
Tuesday, 24 September 2013

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, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD

Followed by

- Statements by regional groups and member States

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

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H.E. Mr. Triyono Wibowo (Indonesia)

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1107th plenary meeting

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The Board began its consideration of this item with opening remarks by the President, H.E. Mr. Triyono Wibowo (Indonesia).

Mr. Mukhisa Kituyi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD, made remarks on international trade and the post-2015 United Nations development agenda.

The following guest speakers made interventions: H.E. Mr. Joakim Reiter, Ambassador of Sweden to the World Trade Organization; Mr. Simon Cleasby, Chief Executive Officer, Addax Bioenergy; Mr. Mark Halle, Director, Trade and Investment Programme, Institute for Sustainable Development; and Mr. Aurelio Parisotto, Senior Economist, Multilateral Cooperation Department, International Labour Organization. This was followed by a presentation by Mr. Guillermo Valles, Director, Division on International Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities, UNCTAD. These were followed by an interactive debate.

The following representatives made general statements: Ecuador (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China); Jamaica (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean Group); Iraq; Ethiopia; Uzbekistan; the European Union; Barbados; Egypt; Paraguay; South Africa; Benin (on behalf of the least developed countries); and Canada. The Secretary-General of UNCTAD and the guest speakers made concluding remarks.

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Informal meeting

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The Board continued consideration of agenda item 7 in an informal setting, with opening remarks by Mr. Mukhisa Kituyi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD. A presentation was made by Mr. Guillermo Valles, Director, Division on International Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities, UNCTAD.

The following guest speakers addressed the Board: Mr. Roberto Carvalho de Azevêdo, Director-General of the World Trade Organization, and Ms. Arancha González, Executive Director of the International Trade Centre. An interactive debate followed with the participation of the representatives of Guatemala, Mexico, the Congo, Iraq and Egypt, as well as the participation of Mr. Vitaly Aristov (on behalf of the Eurasian Economic Commission), the Secretary-General of UNCTAD, the guest speakers and the Director of the Division on International Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities.

The Board thus concluded consideration of agenda item 7.