

PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, 23 September 2014

9–10 a.m.	Meeting of the Group of 77 and China	Room XXV
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10 a.m.	Plenary	Room XXVI
	Item 11 (b) Report on UNCTAD assistance to the Palestinian people (TD/B/61/3)	
	Opening remarks	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Mr. Petko Draganov, Deputy Secretary-General of UNCTAD▪ Mr. Mahmoud Elkhafif, Division on Globalization and Development Strategies	
	Followed by	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Statements by regional groups and member States	
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2–3 p.m.	Meeting of the Group of 77 and China	Room XXV
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3 p.m.	Plenary	Room XXVI
	Item 15 Institutional, organizational, administrative and related matters:	
	(a) Report by the Chair of the Advisory Body set up in accordance with paragraph 166 of the Bangkok Plan of Action on the implementation of courses by the secretariat in 2013–2014 and their relevant impact; and the appointment of members of the Advisory Body for 2015	
	Item 12 Matters requiring action by the Board in the follow-up to the thirteenth session of the Conference:	
	(a) Follow-up to the Joint Inspection Unit report and the agreed conclusions of the twenty-sixth special session of the Trade and Development Board on 6 July 2012 (TD/B/61/9, TD/B/60/5, JIU/REP/2012/1, TD/B(S-XXVI)/CRP.1, TD/B(S-XXVI)/2, TD/B/59/CRP.2, TD/B/59/7)	

3 p.m. Plenary Room XXVI

Item 12 Matters requiring action by the Board in the follow-up to the thirteenth session of the Conference: (cont'd)

(b) Report of the UNCTAD Public Symposium (TD/B/61/6)

**FORTHCOMING MEETINGS
Wednesday, 25 September 2013**

10 a.m. Informal meeting Room XXVI

Sessional Committee I – Least developed countries (agenda item 5)

- Consideration of the outcome

1 p.m. Meeting of the Extended Bureau of the Trade and Development Board E.3057

3 p.m. Informal meeting Room XXVI

Sessional Committee II – Africa (agenda item 6)

- Consideration of the outcome
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Week 1 (15–19 September)		
Tuesday 23 September	a.m.	Item 11 (b): Report on UNCTAD assistance to the Palestinian people
	p.m.	Item 15 (a), item 12 (a) and (b): Matters requiring action by the Board
Wednesday 24 September	a.m.	Informals: Sessional Committee I (item 5) – Least developed countries
	p.m.	Informals: Sessional Committee II (item 6) – Africa
Thursday 25 September	a.m.	Informals
	p.m.	Informals
Friday 26 September	a.m.	Informals
	p.m.	Closing plenary, reports of Sessional Committees I and II, items 15 (b to g), 16, 17, 18 and 19

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Monday, 22 September 2014

Plenary meeting

Item 7 Evolution of the international trading system and its trends from a development perspective

The Board began its consideration of this item with opening remarks by Mr. Mukhisa Kituyi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD.

Mr. Roberto Azevêdo, Director-General of the World Trade Organization made a presentation.

The following representatives made interactive comments: the Philippines, Benin, Morocco, the secretariat of the African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States and the European Union.

Mr. Kituyi and Mr. Azevêdo replied to the comments made by the above-mentioned delegations.

Mr. Guillermo Valles, Director, UNCTAD Division on International Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities, presented the background document under this agenda item.

This was followed by presentations by the following panellists: Mr. Crawford Falconer, Deputy Director, Division for Trade and Agriculture, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development; Mr. Jamie Morrison, Senior Economist, Trade and Markets Division, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations; and Ms. Miriam Chaves, Chair, Agriculture Committee, World Trade Organization.

Statements were delivered by the following representatives: the Philippines, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China; Argentina, on behalf of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean Countries; the European Union, on behalf of the European Union and its member States; Uzbekistan; Barbados; Algeria; Morocco; and the Philippines. The Director of the Division on International Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities and the panellists made concluding remarks and responded to comments by delegations.

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Informal meeting

Item 7 Evolution of the international trading system and its trends from a development perspective (cont'd)

The Board continued consideration of agenda item 7 in an informal setting. The following panellists addressed the Board: Mr. Osvaldo Rosales, Director, International Trade and Integration Division, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean; Ms. Virginia Cram-Martos, Director, Economic Cooperation, Trade and Land Management Division, Economic Commission for Europe; Mr. David Luke, Coordinator, African Trade Policy Centre, Economic Commission for Africa; Ms. Vlasta Macku, Chief, UNCTAD Virtual Institute; Mr. Musa Muwanga, Chief Executive Officer, National Organic Agricultural Movement, Uganda; and Mr. Sysangkhom Khotnhotha, Deputy Director-General, Trade and Product Promotion Department, Ministry of Industry and Commerce, the Lao People's Democratic Republic.

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This was followed by questions from the representatives of Canada and Switzerland. The panellists and the Director of the Division on International Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities responded to queries.

The Board thus concluded consideration of agenda item 7.

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Correction:

Please note that in Journal No. 4, page 3, under the summary of meetings for Wednesday, 17 September 2014 for agenda item 9, the text should indicate that the representative of Belarus spoke in his national capacity.

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Statements

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