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Session

**Legal assessment of the competition rules of Belarus and of the regional
competition rules of Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU)**

**Thursday, 11 July 2019 (16:00 – 17:00)
Palais des Nations, Room XVII (First Floor)**

In 2018, the Ministry of Antimonopoly Regulation and Trade of the Republic of Belarus (MART) requested the UNCTAD Secretariat to undertake a legal assessment of Belarus' competition law dated 12 December 2013 (i.e. comments of its law provision-by-provision) based on the UNCTAD Model Law on Competition and international best practices on competition law and policy from jurisdictions of developing countries and countries with economies in transition

Similarly, the Eurasian Economic Commission (EEC) requested the UNCTAD Secretariat to undertake an expert assessment of their EEC competition regulations based on the UNCTAD Model Law on Competition and the international best practices on competition law and policy from jurisdictions of developing countries and countries in transition.

The UNCTAD Secretariat has carried out numerous assessments of draft competition bills as part of its advisory services and technical assistance work with different UN member States from developing countries and countries with economies in transition.

Bearing in mind the above, the UNCTAD Secretariat drafted two opinions whose terms were agreed with the requesting parties. The assessments focus uniquely on the legal Competition framework and implementing regulations as appropriate, neither the institutional framework nor the enforcement practice and case law and no other peers were addressed in this exercise.

These assessments provide recommendations that may improve the enforcement of the Competition Law in Belarus and of the regional competition regulations in the Eurasian region.

**Roundtable on:
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| 16:00 - 16:10 | Presentation by the UNCTAD secretariat of the assessment of Belarus Competition law (Law No. 94-3 dated December 12, 2013) |
| 16:10 - 16:20 | Intervention by H.E. Vladimir Koltovich, Minister of Antimonopoly Regulation and Trade of the Republic of Belarus (MART) |
| 16:20 - 16:30 | Interactive debate |
| 16:30 - 16:40 | Presentation by the UNCTAD secretariat of the assessment of the Eurasian competition rules |
| 16:40 - 16:50 | Presentation by H.E. Serik Zhumangarin, Member of the Board (Minister) in charge of Competition and Antitrust Regulation, Eurasian Economic Commission |
| 16:50 - 17:00 | Interactive debate |

Delegates who would like to speak during the session are invited to inform the UNCTAD secretariat by contacting Pierre Horna (Pierre.Horna@un.org).