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II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Item 1 Adoption of the agenda

1. The provisional agenda for the session is reproduced above.

Documentation

TD/B/EX(29)/1 Provisional agenda and annotations

Item 2 UNCTAD's contribution to UN-NADAF: UNCTAD's activities in favour of Africa

2. In accordance with decision 443 (XLIV) of the Board, the Secretary-General of UNCTAD is to report to an executive session of the Board on activities undertaken by UNCTAD in favour of Africa.

3. The report of the Secretary-General of UNCTAD is the sixth in a series of reports submitted annually. It provides an overview of the general thrust of research and analysis being undertaken by UNCTAD with regard to African development, as well as a summary of specific activities, including advisory services and technical cooperation, in each sector falling under UNCTAD's mandate.

Documentation

TD/B/EX(29)/2 UNCTAD's contribution to the implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the development of Africa in the 1990s: Activities undertaken by UNCTAD in favour of Africa
Report of the Secretary-General of UNCTAD

Item 3 Other matters in the field of trade and development:

Report of the Joint Advisory Group on the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO on its thirty-fifth session

4. At its thirty-fifth session (15–19 April 2002), the Joint Advisory Group on the International Trade Centre reviewed ITC's technical cooperation activities in 2001 and took note of the report of the Consultative Committee on the ITC Global Trust Fund. The Group endorsed the ITC proposal for undertaking activities in follow-up to the Doha Ministerial Declaration.

Documentation

ITC/AG/(XXXV)/191 Report of the Joint Advisory Group on the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO on its thirty-fifth session

Item 4 Institutional, organizational, administrative and related matters:*(a) Designation of the President and Bureau of the forty-ninth session of the Trade and Development Board*

5. In accordance with the cycle of rotation, the President of the Board for the forty-ninth session will be a representative of one of the States in List D and the Rapporteur a representative of one of the States in List A (Asia). The 10 Vice-Presidents will therefore be as follows: 2 from List A (Africa) and 1 from List A (Asia); 4 from List B; 2 from List C; and 1 from List D.

(b) Membership of the Trade and Development Board

6. Under the provisions of paragraph 5 of General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX), the Board will welcome Botswana to membership. The membership of the Board will then stand at 147.

(c) Membership of the Working Party for 2003

7. The Board will be required to establish the membership of the Working Party for 2003. In accordance with the provisions of Board decision 236 (XXXIII), the Working Party consists of 19 members, as follows: List A and C combined – 9 (Africa 3, Asia 3, Latin America 3); List B – 6; List D – 3; and China – 1.

(d) Membership for 2003 of the Advisory Body established in accordance with paragraph 166 of the Bangkok Plan of Action

8. The Board will be required to establish the membership of the Advisory Body for 2003. The Advisory Body will be composed of 15 members: 6 from Group A, 3 from Group C, 4 from Group B and 2 from Group D.

(e) Administrative and financial implications of the actions of the Board

9. During the session, the Board will be informed of the administrative and financial implications, if any, of action before it.

Item 5 Other business*Information on the activities of the Advisory Body established in accordance with paragraph 166 of the Bangkok Plan of Action*

10. In accordance with decision 466 (XLVII), the President of the Advisory Body will inform the Board on the activities of the Advisory Body.

Item 6 Report of the Board on its twenty-ninth executive session

11. The Board may wish to authorize the Rapporteur to finalize the report on its twenty-ninth executive session under the authority of the President.