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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, 19 October 1999

TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD

FORTY-SIXTH SESSION - GENEVA, 18 - 29 OCTOBER 1999

INFORMALS

10 a.m. -

Salle XXVI

1 p.m.

Item 3

Interdependence and global economic issues from a trade and development perspective: trade, growth and external financing in developing countries (cont'd)

(UNCTAD/TDR/1999 and Overview; UNCTAD/WIR/1999)

Informal panel discussion on global interdependence and development:
Challenges for the International Trading System

The panellists invited to participate are:

- Professor A. Barros de Castro, Federal University, Rio de Janeiro
- Mr. Larry Elliott, Economics Editor, *The Guardian*, London
- Professor Sunanda Sen, Centre for Economics Studies and Planning, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

3 p.m. -

Interdependence

6 p.m.

Informal panel discussion on global interdependence and development:
Challenges for the International Trading System (continued)

followed by **BUREAU**

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

18 October 1999

905th plenary meeting

Item 1(a) Election of officers

The forty-sixth session of the Trade and Development Board was opened by H.E. Mr. Chak Mun SEE (Singapore). H.E. Mr. Philippe PETIT (France) was formally elected President by acclamation.

The Board also elected Mr. Xolisa M. MABHONGO (South Africa) as Rapporteur and the following 10 Vice-Presidents:

H.E. Mrs. Fayza ABOULNAGA (Egypt)
H.E. Mr. Munir AKRAM (Pakistan)
H.E. Mr. Krit GARNJANA-GOONCHORN (Thailand)
H.E. Mr. Koichi HARAGUCHI (Japan)
H.E. Mr. Walter LEWALTER (Germany)
H.E. Mr. George MOOSE (United States of America)
H.E. Mr. Goce PETRESKI (the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia)
H.E. Mr. Camilo REYES-RODRIGUEZ (Colombia)
H.E. Mr. Ronald SABORIO (Costa Rica)
H.E. Mr. Vasily SIDOROV (Russian Federation)

The Board established Sessional Committee I to consider agenda item 4 and elected H.E. Mr. Walter LEWALTER (Germany) as its Chairman. It also established Sessional Committee II to consider agenda item 5 and elected H.E. Mr. Adolphe NAHAYO (Burundi) as its Chairman.

Item 1(b) Adoption of the agenda and organization of work of the session

The Board adopted the provisional agenda (TD/B/46/1 and Corr.1) and took note of the organization of work as contained in annex 1 and II.

Item 2 Preparatory process for the tenth session of the Conference:
- Establishment of the Committee of the Whole

The Board established the Committee of the Whole for the substantive preparations of UNCTAD X under the chairmanship of the President of the Board.

General Statements

Mr. Rubens Ricupero, Secretary-General of UNCTAD addressed the Board.

Statements were made by the representatives of Zambia (on behalf of the Group of 77); Finland (on behalf of the European Union); the Russian Federation; Belarus; and the United States of America.

Item 3 Interdependence and global economic issues from a
trade and development perspective: trade, growth an
external financing in developing countries

The Board began its consideration of item 3 in plenary with an introductory statement by Mr. Yilmaz Akyuz, Chief Macroeconomist, UNCTAD secretariat.

906th plenary meeting

Item 3 Interdependence and global economic issues from a
trade and development perspective: trade, growth an
external financing in developing countries

The Board continued its consideration of item 3. Statements were made by the representatives of Colombia (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean Group); Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Asian Group and China); South Africa (on behalf of the African Group); Finland (on behalf of the European Union); Thailand; Pakistan; Poland; Ethiopia; India; Japan; Indonesia; United States of America; Switzerland; China; Bangladesh; Malaysia; International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions (ICFTU). This concluded the general debate on item 3.

INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

Registration

Registration forms will be placed on the desks in Salle XX. It would be appreciated if delegations and observers would complete the forms before leaving the meeting.

Distribution of documents

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The secretariat draws attention to document TD/B/INF.191, cover note to document A/AC.172/INF/15, dated 16 August 1993 entitled "Resolutions, guidelines and regulations on the use of conference-servicing resources and control and limitation of documentation". Copies are available at the documents Distribution Counter.

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