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DRAFT REPORT OF THE TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD ON ITS FORTY-SEVENTH SESSION

Rapporteur: Ms. Uchanya Wichayachakorn (Thailand)

II. PROCEDURAL, INSTITUTIONAL, ORGANIZATIONAL, ADMINISTRATIVE AND RELATED MATTERS

A. Opening of the session

1. The forty-seventh session of the Trade and Development Board was opened on 9 October 2000 by Mr. Philippe Petit (France), the outgoing President of the Board.

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B. Election of officers

(Agenda item 1 (a))

2. At its 914th (opening) plenary meeting, on 9 October 2000, the Board elected by acclamation Mr. Camilo Reyes Rodriguez (Colombia) as President of the Board for the duration of its forty-seventh session.

3. Also at its opening plenary meeting, the Board completed the election of officers to serve on the Bureau of the Board throughout its forty-seventh session by electing 10 Vice-Presidents and the Rapporteur. Accordingly, the elected Bureau was as follows:

President:	Mr. Camilo Reyes Rodriguez (Colombia)
Vice-Presidents:	Mr. Andrea Negrotto Cambiaso (Italy) Mr. Oguz Demiralp (Turkey) Mrs. Absa Claud Diallo (Senegal) Mr. Petko Draganov (Bulgaria) Mr. Koichi Haraguchi (Japan) Mr. Nathan Irumba (Uganda) Mrs. Savitri Kunadi (India) Mr. Roberto Lavagna (Argentina) Mr. George e. Moose (United States of America) Mr. Vasily Sidorov (Russian Federation)

Rapporteur: Ms. Uchanza Wichayachakorn (Thailand)

4. In accordance with past practice, the Board agreed that the regional coordinators and China, as well as the Chairmen of the Sessional Committees, would be fully associated with the work of the Bureau.

C. Adoption of the agenda and organization of the work of the session (Agenda item 1 (b))

5. At its opening meeting, the Board adopted the provisional agenda for the session contained in TD/B/47/1 and Add.1. (For the agenda as adopted, see annex ... below).

6. At the same meeting, and in accordance with the organization of work for the session in TD/B/47/1, the Board established two sessional committees to consider and report on items on its agenda as follows:

Sessional Committee I:

Item 4: Review of progress in the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s: (a) the challenge of financing growth and development in least developed countries; (b) review of the status of the preparatory process for the Third United Nations Conference on Least Developed Countries

Sessional Committee II:

8.

- *Item 5:* UNCTAD's contribution to the implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s: capital flows and growth in Africa
- 7. The following officers were elected to serve on the Bureau of Sessional Committee I:

Chairperson:	Mr. J.M. Noirfalisse (Belgium)
Vice-Chairperson-cum-Rapporteur:	Mr. Ali Abderahman Mahmoud (Sudan)
The following officers were elected to serve	e on the Bureau of Sessional Committee II:
Chairperson:	Mrs. Fayza Aboulnaga (Egypt)

Vice-Chairperson-cum-Rapporteur:

Ms. Yohanna Karanko (Finland)