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## Note by the UNCTAD secretariat

1. Paragraph 14 of General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX) provides that, when the Conference is not in session, the Board shall carry out the functions that fall within the competence of the Conference. Paragraph 22 provides that the Board shall report to the Conference and that it shall also report annually on its activities to the General Assembly.

2. The Board last reported to the Conference at its twelfth session. Since that time, the Board has held four regular sessions, eleven executive sessions and one special session, as indicated below:

## **Regular sessions**

Fifty-eighth session	12–23 September 2011
Fifty-eighth session (resumed)	28 September 2011
Fifty-seventh session	15–28 September 2010
Fifty-sixth session	14–25 September 2009
Fifty-sixth session (resumed)	12 October 2009
Fifty-fifth session	15–26 September 2008

<sup>\*</sup> This document was submitted on the above-mentioned date in order to take into account the twentyfifth special session of the Trade and Development Board which concluded on 26 March 2012.



**Executive sessions** 

Convened to discuss specific topics	
Fifty-fourth executive session	28–29 November 2011
The Least Developed Countries Report 2011: The Potential Role of South–South Cooperation for Inclusive and Sustainable Development Report of the Working Party on the Strategic Framework and the Programme Budget, sixtieth session (21–23 November 2011)	
Fifty-third executive session	27–28 June 2011
Activities undertaken by UNCTAD in support of Africa <b>Fifty-third executive session (resumed)</b>	11 July 2011
Fifty-second executive session	11–12 April 2011
Theme, sub-themes and preparatory process for UNCTAD XIII	
Fifty-first executive session (Least Developed Countries)	29–30 November 2010
Review of progress in the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001–2010	
Fiftieth executive session (Africa)	8 July 2010
Activities undertaken by UNCTAD in support of Africa	
Forty-ninth executive session	8–9 June 2010
UNCTAD's contribution to the implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic and social fields	
(a) Follow-up to the Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries and preparations for the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries: Key development challenges facing the LDCs	
(b) Follow-up to the Millennium Summit and preparations for the high-level plenary meeting of the General Assembly on the Millennium Development Goals: New development paths	

Forty-eighth executive session	25 November 2009
Report of the Working Party on the Strategic Framework and the Programme Budget on its fifty- fourth session (18–20 November 2009)	
Progress report on enhancing the functioning of the Working Party	
Forty-seventh executive session	30 June 2009
Activities undertaken by UNCTAD in support of Africa	
Forty-sixth executive session	27 March 2009
Election of officers: Election of a new President of the fifty-fifth session of the Board, as well as a new Vice-president from list A (Asia)	
Forty-fifth executive session (Financing for development)	13 November 2008
Financing for development: Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus	
Forty-fourth executive session	10 July 2008
Activities undertaken by UNCTAD in support of Africa	
Special sessions	
Twenty-fifth special session (UNCTAD XIII)	19-26 March 2012
Organization of the work of the thirteenth session of the Conference	
Substantive preparations for the thirteenth session of the Conference	