

of the Trade and Development Board Fifty-third session, 27 September - 2 October & 10 October 2006

### PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS Thursday, 28 September 2006

# 10.00 a.m. PLENARY (986<sup>th</sup> meeting)

- Address by H.E. Mr. Miguel Angel Moratinos Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Spain
- <u>Item 2</u> Interdependence and global economic issues from a trade and development perspective: Global partnership and national policies for development (UNCTAD/TDR/2006 & Overview)
  - Introductory remarks by Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD
  - Introduction by Mr. Heiner Flassbeck Officer-in-Charge, DGDS
  - Debate

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# 3.00 p.m. **PLENARY (987<sup>th</sup> meeting)**

- Item 3 Review of progress in the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010 (TD/B/53/3 & TD/B/53/CRP.1)
  - (a) The Least Developed Countries Report 2006: Developing Productive Capacities
  - (b) UNCTAD-wide implementation of activities in favour of LDCs
  - Introduction by Mr. Habib Ouane, Director, Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes
  - Debate

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#### Panellists on Item 3(a)

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**Mr. Mansour Cama** Président de la Confédération Nationale des Employeurs du Sénégal

### Dr. Shankar Prasad Sharma

Advisor to the Management Development Centre, Management Association of Nepal

# Mr. Jacques Loup

Economic Advisor, Agence Française de Développement (France)

## **Prof. Colin Kirkpatrick**

University of Manchester (United Kingdom)

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### FORTHCOMING MEETINGS Friday, 29 September 2006

# 10.00 a.m. PLENARY (988<sup>th</sup> meeting)

<u>Item 7(b)</u> Report on UNCTAD's assistance to the Palestinian people (TD/B/53/2)

- Introduction by the UNCTAD secretariat
- Debate

### Followed by

<u>Item 4</u> Economic Development in Africa: Doubling Aid - Making the "Big Push" Work (TD/B/53/4 & UNCTAD/GDS/AFRICA/2006/1)

- Introduction by the UNCTAD secretariat
- Debate

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## 2.00 p.m. Extended Bureau meeting

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# 3.00 p.m. PLENARY (989<sup>th</sup> meeting)

<u>Item 4</u> Economic Development in Africa: Doubling Aid - Making the "Big Push" Work (TD/B/53/4 & UNCTAD/GDS/AFRICA/2006/1)

### Followed by

<u>Item 7</u> Technical cooperation activities (a) Review of the technical cooperation activities of UNCTAD (Report of the Working Party on its fortyseventh session) (TD/B/WP/188 & Corr.1; TD/B/WP/188/Add.1; TD/B/WP/188/Add.2; TD/B/WP/191; TD/B/WP/L.121; TD/B/WP/L.122)

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Rapporteur: Ms. Ana Inés ROCANOVA

(Uruguay)

### **INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS**

### Registration

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Participants should bring with them pre-session documents, i.e. documents circulated prior to the opening of the session. Additional copies of pre-session documents may be available, stock permitting, at the Distribution Counter in the Conference Room.

### Arrangements for regional group meetings

Requests for rooms for regional group meetings should be made to the UNCTAD Meetings and Credentials Unit (telephone extensions 75599/75497, Room E.3061).

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#### SUMMARY OF MEETINGS Thursday, 28 September 2006

# 986<sup>th</sup> Plenary Meetings

H.E. Mr. Miguel Angel Moratinos, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Spain, addressed the Board.

Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD, made a general introduction. Mr. Heiner Flassbeck, Officer-in-Charge of the Division for Globalization and Development Strategies, made a detailed introductory statement with reference to the *Trade and Development Report*, 2006.

The debate was opened. The following representatives made statements: Pakistan (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China); Angola (on behalf of the African Group); Afghanistan (on behalf of the Asian Group and China); Russian Federation; Finland (on behalf of the European Union and the acceding countries of Bulgaria and Romania); Belarus, India, United States of America; Argentina (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean Group); Japan; Islamic Republic of Iran; Australia; Sri Lanka; Benin (on behalf of the least developed countries); Iraq; Senegal; South Africa; China; Egypt; Bangladesh; Norway; and Djibouti.

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# 987<sup>th</sup> Plenary Meeting

Item 3 Review of progress in the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010

Mr. Habib Ouane, Director, Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes, made a detailed introductory statement on item 3 and on the Progress report on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the LDCs.

Panel

The Board had a panel discussion on agenda item 3(a) "The Least Developed Countries Report 2006: Developing Productive Capacities" with the participation of the following panellists: Mr. Mansour Cama, Président de la Confédération Nationale des Employeurs du Sénégal; Dr. Shankar Prasad Sharma, Advisor to the Management Development Centre, Management Association of Nepal; Mr. Jacques Loup, Economic Advisor, Agence Française de Développement (France); Prof. Colin Kirkpatrick, University of Manchester (United Kingdom). The panel discussion was followed by an interactive debate.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;u>Item 2</u> - <u>Interdependence and global economic issues from a trade and development perspective:</u> <u>Global partnership and national policies for development</u>

The following representatives made interventions: Benin (on behalf of the least developed countries); Norway; Finland (on behalf of the European Union and the acceding countries of Bulgaria and Romania); Republic of Korea; Rwanda; China; Cuba; Mexico; Senegal; Brazil; Djibouti; Bangladesh; Zambia; United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; United States of America; Afghanistan; Nepal; OCAPROCE International; Mr. Mansour Cama; Mr. Jacques Loup; Prof. Colin Kirkpatrick; Dr. Shankar Prasad Sharma; UNCTAD secretariat; United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; and Afghanistan.

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