

JOURNAL of the Trade and Development Board Fifty-fourth session,

1 - 11 October 2007

Programme of meetings

Friday, 5 October 2007

10 a.m. Sessional Committee II

Room XXVI

First Plenary meeting

Item 5 Economic Development in Africa: Reclaiming Policy Space:
Domestic Resource Mobilization and Developmental States
(TD/B/54/4 and UNCTAD/ALDC/AFRICA/2007)

Opening statement by Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD

Introduction of agenda item 5 by Mr. Habib Ouane, Director of the Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes

General statements

3 p.m. **Informal meeting**

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Panel of experts: "Policy Space, Domestic Resource Mobilization and Developmental States in Africa"

Panellists

Dr. Ha-Joon Chang Professor, Faculty of Economics University of Cambridge United Kingdom

Prof. Augustin Fosu
Deputy Director
United Nations University
World Institute for Development Economics Research
Helsinki, Finland

Dr. Jonathan di John Lecturer, Department of Development Studies School of Oriental And African Studies University of London United Kingdom

Interactive debate

Forthcoming meetings Monday, 8 October 2007

10 a.m. Plenary (1010th meeting)

Room XXVI

Item 6 Review of developments and issues in the post-Doha work programme of particular concern to developing countries (TD/B/54/5)

Statement by Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD

Statement by Ms. Valentine Sendanyoye Rugwabiza, Deputy Director-General, World Trade Organization

Interactive debate

3 p.m. Plenary (1011th meeting)

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Interactive debate (continued)

4 30 p.m. Presentation by Professor Jagdish Bhagwati, Columbia University,

United States of America

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Summary of meetings

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Sessional Committee II

First plenary meeting

Item 5 Economic Development in Africa: Reclaiming Policy Space: Domestic Resource Mobilization and Developmental States

H.E. Mr. Guy-Alain Emmanuel **Gauze** (Côte d'Ivoire) was elected as Chair of Sessional Committee II and Ms. **Liu** Lijuan (China) was elected as Vice-Chair-cum-Rapporteur.

Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD, made a general introduction.

Mr. Habib Ouane, Director of the Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes, made an introductory statement on agenda item 5.

The general debate was opened. Representatives of the following made general statements: Honduras (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Chad (on behalf of the African Group), Angola, Indonesia (Asian Group), Cuba (on behalf of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States), Russian Federation (on behalf of Group D), Portugal (on behalf of the European Union), India, Japan, China, Unites States of America, Cuba, Rwanda, Mauritania, France, South Africa and the Organisation camerounaise de promotion de la coopération économique internationale

Informal meeting

Item 5 Economic Development in Africa: Reclaiming Policy Space: Domestic Resource Mobilization and Developmental States

Panel discussion

The Board held an informal panel discussion on "Policy Space, Domestic Resource Mobilization and Developmental States in Africa" with the participation of the following panellists: Dr. Ha-Joon Chang, Professor, Faculty of Economics, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom; Prof. Augustin Fosu, Deputy Director, United Nations University, World Institute for Development Economics Research, Helsinki, Finland; and Dr. Jonathan di John, Lecturer, Department of Development Studies, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, United Kingdom.