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## Provisional agenda and annotations

## I. Provisional agenda

1. 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)

## II. Annotations to the provisional agenda

1. At a meeting of the extended Bureau on Friday, 13 March 2009, the President of the Board announced that he would be relinquishing his post as Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations Office and Other International Organizations in Geneva on 31 March 2009.

2. The extended Bureau was informed that, in accordance with rule 22 of the rules of procedure of the Trade and Development Board, if the President ceases to be a member of the Board, a Vice-President from the same geographical group shall take his place. However, the Vice-President elected from the same geographical group as the President (Group A – Asia) had left Geneva since his election as Vice-President.

3. The Board was further informed that the Board could meet in executive session when it is agreed that there are urgent matters that cannot be deferred to the regular session.

4. The extended Bureau agreed that the Asian Group should be requested to nominate a new President and a new Vice-President of the Board to assume office immediately after the incumbent President of the Board vacated his position. The formal election of the President and Vice-President would take place at an executive session of the Trade and Development Board. This session, the agenda for which would contain one item, would take place on 27 March, immediately after the President's consultations.