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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

**Adoption of the agenda and organization of work**

## **Provisional agenda and annotations**


### **I. Provisional agenda**

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## **II. Annotations to the provisional agenda**

### **Item 1**

#### **Adoption of the agenda and organization of work of the session**

1. The provisional agenda for the session is reproduced above.

*Documentation*

TD/B/EX(60)/1 Provisional agenda and annotations

### **Item 2**

#### **The Least Developed Countries Report 2014: Growth with Structural Transformation – A Post-2015 Development Agenda**

2. *The Least Developed Countries Report 2014: Growth with Structural Transformation – A Post-2015 Development Agenda* will be presented to the Trade and Development Board. This year the report analyses the “least developed countries paradox”, namely the combination of strong economic growth since 2000 with slow poverty reduction and limited progress towards achieving the Millennium Development Goals. It concludes that this situation is the result of the failure of least developed countries to accelerate the structural transformation of their economies towards a modern economic structure, characterized by higher value added activities and sectors, more knowledge-intensive activities, higher labour productivity and expanding quality employment. In the post-2015 period, fostering growth with structural transformation will require least developed countries to focus on three critical policy areas: resource mobilization to finance productive investment; industrial policy aimed at upgrading and diversifying the economic structure; and a supportive macroeconomic policy stance. For least developed countries to achieve the sustainable development goals, they will also require a concerted effort by the international community.

*Documentation*

UNCTAD/LDC/2014 and *The Least Developed Countries Report 2014: Growth with  
Overview Structural Transformation – A Post-2015 Development  
Agenda*

### **Item 3**

#### **Report of the Working Party on the Strategic Framework and the Programme Budget on its sixty-ninth session**

3. The report of the sixty-ninth session of the Working Party on the Strategic Framework and the Programme Budget, to be held from 1 to 5 December 2014, will be before the Board for its consideration.

*Documentation*

TD/B/WP/267 Report of the Working Party on the Strategic Framework  
and the Programme Budget at its sixty-ninth session

**Item 4**  
**Other business**

**Item 5**  
**Report of the Trade and Development Board on its sixtieth executive session**

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