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## REPORTS OF THE SUBSIDIARY BODIES OF THE COMMISSION

## **Action by the Commission**

- 1. The Commission endorsed the agreed conclusions and recommendations of the following Expert Meetings:
  - Expert Meeting on examining trade in the agricultural sector, with a view to expanding the agricultural exports of developing countries, and to assisting them in better understanding the issues at stake in the upcoming agricultural negotiations (TD/B/COM.1/23 TD/B/COM.1/EM.8/3);
  - Expert Meeting on the impact of changing supply-and-demand market structures on commodity prices and exports of major interest to developing countries (TD/B/COM.1/26-TD/B/COM.1/EM.10/3);
  - Ad Hoc Expert Meeting on applications of structured commodity finance techniques for commodity-dependent countries (UNCTAD/ITCD/COM/Misc.39);
  - Expert Meeting on air transport services: clarifying issues to define the elements of the positive agenda of developing countries as regards both the GATS and specific sector negotiations of interest to them (TD/B/COM.1/25-TD/B/COM.1/EM.9/3);

and recommended that the Trade and Development Board endorse the agreed conclusions and recommendations of the above-mentioned Expert Meetings.