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Note by the secretariat

#### **SUMMARY**

The present document lists a number of projects proposed for evaluation during the biennium 2008-2009, in the areas of trade and investment, and transport and tourism.

The Committee is invited to provide the secretariat with guidance on the prioritization and scope of projects for evaluation to ensure efficient and effective implementation of the subprogrammes.

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### INTRODUCTION

- 1. Monitoring and evaluation are considered to be of strategic importance in strengthening ESCAP's results-based management with a view to supporting member States' efforts in achieving their development goals.
- 2. During the preparations for the UNESCAP Monitoring and Evaluation Framework under the Proposed Programme Budget for biennium 2008-2009, the secretariat identified a number of projects for discretionary internal evaluation in the areas of trade and investment, and transport and tourism.

# I. PROJECTS FOR EVALUATION RELATED TO TRADE AND INVESTMENT AND TRANSPORT AND TOURISM

- 3. The project on institutional capacity building for facilitation of international trade and transport in landlocked and transit countries is proposed to be evaluated in 2009. This project deals with a cross-cutting issue related to trade and investment, and transport and tourism.
- 4. The following projects related to trade and investment are proposed to be evaluated:
  - Forum for the Comprehensive Development of Indo-China (2008)
  - Global Compact Hub (2009)
- 5. The following projects related to transport and tourism are proposed to be evaluated:
  - Trans-Asian Railway (2008)
  - Asian Highway (2009)
  - Development Account project on Public-Private-Partnership Alliance Programme for Capacity-Building in Infrastructure Development and Provision of Basic Services (2009)

## II. ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION

6. The Committee is invited to provide the secretariat with guidance on the prioritization and scope of the projects for evaluation to ensure efficient and effective implementation of the subprogrammes of trade and investment, and transport and tourism.

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