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II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA

Item 1: Adoption of the agenda

1. The provisional agenda is contained in part I above.

Item 2: Preparations for the eleventh session of the Conference (UNCTAD XI)

2. Under this item, it is expected that the Board will consider the draft provisional agenda for the eleventh session of the Conference, as well as the basic arrangements and road map for the preparatory process.

In-session documentation

Item 3: Matters requiring action by the Board arising from or related to reports and activities of its subsidiary bodies:

- (a) **Report of the Commission on Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities, seventh session (3–6 February 2003)**

3. The Commission on Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities held its seventh session from 3 to 6 February 2003 in Geneva. The report of the session is contained in document TD/B/EX(31)4 – TD/B/COM.1/58.

(b) Report of the Commission on Investment, Technology and Related Financial Issues, seventh session (20–24 January 2003)

4. The Commission on Investment, Technology and Related Financial Issues held its seventh session from 20 to 24 January 2003 in Geneva. The report of the session is contained in document TD/B/EX(31)/3 – TD/B/COM.2/50.

(c) Report of the Commission on Enterprise, Business Facilitation and Development, seventh session (24–27 February 2003)

5. The Commission on Enterprise, Business Facilitation and Development held its seventh session from 24 to 27 February 2003 in Geneva. The report of this session is contained in document TD/B/EX(31)5 – TD/B/COM.3/55.

(d) Report of the Working Party on the Medium-term Plan and the Programme Budget on its fortieth session (13–17 January 2003)

6. The report of the Working Party on its fortieth session is contained in document TD/B/EX(31)2 – TD/B/WP/160.

Item 4: Institutional, organizational, administrative and related matters:

(a) Membership of UNCTAD

7. The membership of UNCTAD at present stands at 192 member States and is listed in document TD/B/INF.199.

(b) Membership of the Trade and Development Board

8. The membership of the Board at present stands at 148 and is listed in document TD/B/INF.199.

(c) Designation on intergovernmental bodies for the purposes of rule 76 of the rules of procedure of the Board

9. At present there are 109 intergovernmental organizations in status with UNCTAD. A list of these organizations is contained in document TD/B/IGO/LIST/3.

10. The Board will be invited to consider an application received from the Arab Authority for Agricultural Investment and Development (AAAID).

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Application by the Arab Authority for Agricultural Investment and Development (AAAID)

(d) Designation of non-governmental organizations for the purposes of rule 77 of the rules of procedure of the Board

11. At present there are 188 non-governmental organizations (NGOs) in status with UNCTAD. A list of these organizations is contained in document TD/B/NGO/LIST/5 and Corr.1.

12. No new applications are expected to be before the Board for its consideration at this session.

Item 5: Other business

Item 6: Report of the Board on its thirty-first executive session

13. The Board may wish to authorize the Rapporteur to finalize the report on its thirty-first executive session under the authority of the President.