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**LANGUAGES FOR OFFICIAL DOCUMENTATION OF THE  
JOINT ADVISORY GROUP OF THE INTERNATIONAL  
TRADE CENTRE UNCTAD/WTO**

**Draft decision presented by the Group of 77 and China**

*The Trade and Development Board,*

*Noting* the proposal made at the thirty-fourth session of the Joint Advisory Group (JAG) of the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO to issue official documentation of JAG in the Arabic and Chinese languages in addition to the current languages of issuance (English, French, Russian and Spanish),<sup>1/</sup>

*Noting further* that the report of JAG to be submitted to UNCTAD's Trade and Development Board would be in all official languages,

1. *Takes the view* that it would, in principle, be desirable for the official documentation of JAG to be issued also in the other two UN official languages, Arabic and Chinese, in addition to the current languages of issuance;

2. *Recommends* that the General Assembly consider the proposal in the light of the Board's view.

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<sup>1/</sup> ITC/AG (XXXV)/191, para. 89.