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Item 1 of the provisional agenda

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\* As approved at the Consultations of the President of the Board on 7 July 2003.

## **II. ANNOTATIONS TO THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

### **Item 1. Adoption of the agenda**

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

#### **Documentation**

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Provisional agenda and annotations

### **Item 2. Activities undertaken by UNCTAD in favour of Africa and in support of NEPAD**

2. In accordance with agreed Conclusions 443 (XLIV) of the Board, the Secretary-General of UNCTAD is to report to an executive session of the Board on activities undertaken by UNCTAD in favour of Africa.

3. The report of the Secretary-General of UNCTAD is the seventh in a series of reports submitted annually. It provides an overview of the general thrust of research and analysis being undertaken by UNCTAD with regard to African development, as well as a summary of specific activities, including advisory services and technical cooperation, in each sector falling under UNCTAD's mandate.

#### **Documentation**

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Activities undertaken by UNCTAD in favour of Africa  
Report of the Secretary-General of UNCTAD

### **Item 3. Preparations for UNCTAD XI**

4. The secretariat will make an oral report to the Board on the status of preparations for the Conference.

### **Item 4. Other matters requiring action by the Board arising from or related to reports and activities of its subsidiary bodies:**

- **Report of the Working Party on the Medium-term Plan and the Programme budget on its fortieth session (second part), 21-23 May 2003**

5. The report of the Working Party on the second part of its fortieth session is contained in document TD/B/EX(32)/3-TD/B/WP/164.

**Item 5. Other matters in the field of trade and development:**

- **Report of the Joint Advisory Group on the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO on its thirty-sixth session (28 April – 2 May 2003)**

6. At its thirty-sixth session (28 April - 2 May 2003), the Joint Advisory Group on the International Trade Centre reviewed ITC's technical cooperation activities in 2002 on the basis of ITC's Annual Report and took note of the report of the Consultative Committee on the ITC Global Trust Fund.

**Documentation**

ITC/AG/(XXXVI)/195	Report of the Joint Advisory Group on the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/WTO on its thirty-sixth session (28 April-2 May 2003)
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**Item 6. Institutional, organizational, administrative and related matters:**

- **Designation of non-governmental organizations for the purposes of rule 77 of the rules of procedure of the Board**

7. 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.

8. The Board will be invited to consider two applications received from Mandat International and the World Federation of Free Zones (FEMOZA).

**Documentation**

TD/B/EX(32)/R.1	Application by Mandat International
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TD/B/EX(32)/R.2	Application by the World Federation of Free Zones (FEMOZA)
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**Inclusion of National NGOs in the Register in conformity with Board decision 43 (VII)**

9. The Board will be informed that, following consultations with the member State concerned (Benin), the Secretary-General of UNCTAD has included the Centre Béninois pour le Développement des Initiatives à la Base (CBDIBA) in the Register of national non-governmental organizations provided for under Board decision 43 (VII).

**Documentation**

TD/B/EX(32)/L.1	Inclusion of a national NGO in the Register in conformity with Board decision 43 (VII): the Centre Béninois pour le Développement des Initiatives à la Base (CBDIBA)
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**Item 7. Other business**

**Item 8. Report of the Board on its thirty-second executive session**

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