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PLENARY

10 a.m. 7th meeting. Conference Room XIX

1. Substantive theme: “Promoting the building of a people-centred, development-oriented and inclusive information society, with a view to enhancing digital opportunities for all people” [2]

2. Progress made in the implementation of and follow-up to the World Summit on the Information Society outcomes at the regional and international levels [3]

Introduction of draft proposals

Morning* - 1 p.m.. Informal consultations Conference Room XIX

Informal consultations on draft proposals before the Commission

3-6 p.m.. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room XIX

Informal consultations on draft proposals before the Commission

* Immediately following the adjournment of the 7th meeting of the Commission.

Summary

Wednesday, 23 May 2007

5th meeting *Substantive theme: “Promoting the building of a people-centred development-oriented and inclusive information society with a view to enhancing digital opportunities for all people”*. [2]

Progress made in the implementation of and follow-up to the World Summit on the Information Society outcomes at the regional and international levels [3]

The Commission continued its general discussion of agenda items 2 and 3 and heard statements by the representatives of the Sudan, the United States, Angola, Zambia, Sri Lanka, Chile, Germany (on behalf of the European Union), the Russian Federation, Argentina, India, China, Brazil, Venezuela and Cuba.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Economic Commission for Europe, the Economic Commission for Africa, the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean and the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia.

Statements were also made by the representative of the World Health Organization and by the representative of the Gender Advisory Board, CSTD.

Organization of work

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, Brazil, the Islamic Republic of Iran and India.

The Chairman also made a statement.

6th meeting The Commission continued its general discussion of agenda items 2 and 3 and heard statements by the representative of the United Kingdom, Jamaica, and El Salvador.

A statement was made by the representative of Honduras (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

Statements were also made by the representatives of the following entities: ENSTA, Humanity First, International Chamber of Commerce, IT for Change, Digital Solidarity Fund, CONGO, Association for Progressive Communication and Ingenieurs du Monde.

Implementation of and progress made on decisions taken at the ninth session of the Commission. [4]

The Commission began its consideration of the agenda item and heard an introductory statement by the Chief of the Science and Technology Division of UNCTAD.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Jamaica, India, the United States, the Russian Federation and Brazil.

Organization of work

The Chief of the Science and Technology Division of UNCTAD and the Secretary of the Commission responded to statements made by the representatives of Germany, Cuba, Brazil and the Islamic Republic of Iran.