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Summary of meetings

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1075th plenary meeting

Item 1 Organization of the work of the session

The Board established two sessional committees.

Sessional Committee I: to consider and report on agenda item 5 – Implementation of the outcome from LDC-IV: UNCTAD's contribution. Mr. Wolfgang Rechenhofer of Germany was elected Chair of Sessional Committee I.

Sessional Committee II: to consider and report on agenda item 6 – Economic development in Africa: Fostering industrial development in Africa in the new global environment. H.E. Ambassador Darlington Mwape of Zambia was elected Chair of Sessional Committee II.

Item 8 Development strategies in a globalized world: A new role for the government and fiscal policy

The Board continued its consideration of item 8 with a panel discussion. Presentations were made by Mr. Alfredo Calcagno, Senior Economist in the Division on Globalization and Development Strategies of UNCTAD; Mr. Zia Qureshi, Senior Adviser in the Office of the Chief Economist and Senior Vice-President of the World Bank; and Professor Abhijit Sen, Member, Planning Commission, Government of India.

During the interactive debate, representatives of the following member States took the floor: Ethiopia; Thailand and Senegal.

The panellists and the Director of the Division on Globalization and Development Strategies of UNCTAD made general observations and the President of the Board made closing remarks

1076th plenary meeting

Item 7 Evolution of the international trading system and of international trade from a development perspective

The President opened the meeting by welcoming Mr. Guillermo Valles, the new Director of the Division on International Trade in Goods and Services, and Commodities. Mr. Supachai Panitchpadki, Secretary-General of UNCTAD, made an opening statement on item 7.

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This was followed by presentations by Mr. Pascal Lamy, Director-General of the World Trade Organization, and Mr. David Nabarro, Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General on Food Security and Nutrition, Coordinator of the United Nations System High-Level Task Force on the Global Food Security Crisis, and for Avian and Pandemic Influenza.

During the interactive debate, representatives of the following member States took the floor: European Union, Indonesia, Ecuador (on behalf of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean Countries), Barbados, United States of America, Cuba, China, Kenya, Uganda, Dominican Republic, Philippines, Nepal (on behalf of Least Developed Countries), Peru, Russian Federation, Japan and Pakistan.

The panellists interacted during the debate and the President made some closing remarks.