SPECIAL EVENT ON
TRADE FACILITATION NEGOTIATIONS AND AID FOR TRADE
AS PART OF THE
MIDTERM REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ALMATY PROGRAMME OF ACTION FOR LANDLOCKED DEVELOPING COUNTRIES
CONFERENCE ROOM 4, UNITED NATIONS, NEW YORK
FRIDAY 27 JUNE 2008, 10.30 AM – 1.00 PM

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

10.30 – 10.35 Welcome remarks by UN Special Adviser on Africa and High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States, Mr. Cheick Sidi Diarra

10.35 – 10.45 Trade Facilitation Negotiations - Ms. Nora Neufeld, Secretary on the Negotiation Group on Trade Facilitation, World Trade Organization

10.45 – 10.55 Aid for Trade for Landlocked Developing Countries - Mr. Shishir Priyadarshi, Director of the Development Division, World Trade Organization

10.55 – 11.05 Aid for Trade and Trade Facilitation for Landlocked Developing Countries: The Role of the World Bank – Mr. Gerard McLinden, Senior Trade Facilitation Specialist, World Bank

11.05 – 11.15 Aid for Trade for Landlocked Developing Countries: The Role of UNCTAD

11.15 – 11.25 Aid for Trade Needs Assessments: A Necessary Prerequisite for Competitiveness of Landlocked Developing Countries – Mr. Kamal Malhotra, Senior Adviser and Cluster Leader on Inclusive Globalisation, Poverty Group, Bureau of Development Policy, UNDP

11.25 – 12.55 Interactive Discussion

12.55 – 1.00 Concluding remarks by Mr. Cheick Sidi Diarra, UN Special Adviser on Africa and High Representative for LDCs, LLDCs and SIDS

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