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ANNOTATED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

1. The provisional agenda for the seventh meeting of the Sub-Committee on Trade of Least-Developed Countries includes the following items:

- (i) Review of developments in international trade of relevance to the trade interests of least-developed countries and of recent commercial policy measures in favour of least-developed countries

2. The secretariat has prepared a note (COM.TD/LLDC/W/22) on recent developments in the trade and payment situation of least-developed countries, and in commercial policy, of relevance to the least-developed countries. The secretariat note also contains available information on specific commercial policy measures taken in favour of least-developed countries. Delegations might wish to inform the Sub-Committee of the general trade or commercial policy actions they have taken or which are being prepared or contemplated to provide special treatment for least-developed countries. Members of the Sub-Committee may refer to the secretariat note COM.TD/LLDC/W/16 issued for the sixth meeting for available information on tariffs and non-tariff measures affecting the exports of least-developed countries.

- (ii) Proposals for further actions in favour of the least-developed countries

3. During the Sixth Meeting of the Sub-Committee, it was generally felt that to the extent possible further measures should be taken in the trade field to promote the trade interests of the least-developed countries. A number of suggestions made in the course of the discussions and which were included in the Chairman's Summary (COM.TD/LLDC/7, paragraph 74), are being re-submitted for further discussions and action in document COM.TD/LLDC/W/23 which also contains a summary of previous decisions and proposals for action on the least-developed countries.

- (iii) Secretariat technical assistance to least-developed countries

4. The Technical Co-operation Division of the secretariat is available to provide, upon request, technical assistance to developing countries including least-developed countries. Information on recent activities in this area has been included in document COM.TD/LLDC/W/22. Delegations may have comments and suggestions to offer in this regard, taking into account the particular trade interests of least-developed countries.

- (v) Other matters

5. The Sub-Committee might wish to take up any other matters falling within its terms of reference.