

Preparations for the High-Level Dialogue on Financing for Development

Informal Hearings of Civil Society Conference Room 4, 28 October 2003

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

Overall theme : *“Civil Society Perspective on the Status of Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus and Tasks Ahead”*

10:00 – 10:15 a.m. Opening of the meeting and organization of work

Welcome address by the Chairperson of the meeting,
H.E. The Honourable Julian R. HUNTE (Saint Lucia),
President of the 58th session of the General Assembly

**10:15 a.m. –
12:45 p.m.**

Panel discussions*

10:15 – 11:30 a.m. **Panel 1: “A Review of Progress and Setbacks since Monterrey”**

Moderator: **Mr. Roberto Bissio**, Instituto del Tercer Mundo, Uruguay

Panelists:

Mr. Reinhard Hermle, Misereor/Coopération Internationale pour le Développement et la Solidarité (CIDSE), Germany

“Assessing progress in meeting the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and the Official Development Assistance (ODA) commitments”

Ms. Maria Riley, Center of Concern, Washington D.C.

“Trade as an engine of growth – a look at the outcomes of the 5th Ministerial Conference of the World Trade Organization in Cancun”

Ms. Cristina Calvo, Cáritas Argentina

“A look at the outcomes of recent meetings of the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund”

* Each panel will consist of introductory remarks by a moderator (5 minutes) and presentations by panelists (7-10 minutes each) followed by a discussion with General Assembly delegates, including questions from the audience.

**11:30 a.m. –
12:45 p.m.**

Panel 2: “Strengthening the Role of the United Nations in Democratic Global Governance: Towards New Arrangements at the United Nations”

Moderator: **Ms. Emira Woods**, Institute for Policy Studies

Panelists:

Ms. Gemma Adaba, International Confederation of Free Trade Unions (ICFTU)

“Towards a System of Democratic Global Governance: Representation of Developing Countries and Participation of Civil Society”

Mr. Martin Khor Kok Peng, Third World Network, Malaysia

“Proposals for new arrangements between the United Nations, the international financial institutions and the World Trade Organization”

Mr. Chandra Patel, Southern and Eastern African Trade Information and Negotiations Institute (SEATINI), Zimbabwe

“Proposals for strengthening ECOSOC – new institutional arrangements at the level of the United Nations”

12:45 – 1 p.m.

Closing remarks by the Chairperson of the meeting