

## Summary of meetings

Thursday, 5 July 2007

### Economic and Social Council Substantive session of 2007

19th meeting

#### *Launch of the Development Cooperation Forum*

The President of the Economic and Social Council, H.E. Mr. Dalius Čekuolis (Lithuania), made a statement.

Statements were also made by the representatives of Pakistan (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Portugal (on behalf of the European Union), China, the United States of America, Switzerland and the Russian Federation.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

#### *Organization of work*

The President made a statement.

#### *Round table 1 entitled “Promoting greater coherence among development activities of different development partners: the role of national aid coordination and management”*

The President, Mr. Dalius Čekuolis (Lithuania) opened the round table and Mr. Abdoulie Janneh, Executive Secretary, Economic Commission for Africa, served as Moderator.

Following a statement by the Moderator, presentations were made by the following panelists: H.E. Ms. Zakia Maghi, Minister of Finance, the United Republic of Tanzania, Mr. Le Hoai Trung, Director-General, International Organizations Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Viet Nam, Mr. Olav Kjørven, Assistant Administrator, UNDP; and Mr. Julian Lob-Levyt, Executive Secretary, GAVI Alliance, and Chief Executive Officer, GAVI Fund, Geneva.

The lead discussant, Ms. Irene Freudenschuss-Reichl, Director-General, Department for Development Cooperation, Federal Ministry for European and International Affairs, Austria, made a statement.

A statement was made by the Vice-President of the Council, Mr. Léo Mérorès (Haiti).

Statements were made by the delegations of Ghana, South Africa, Portugal (on behalf of the European Union), Cape Verde, Denmark, Kenya, El Salvador, Guinea-Bissau, Guinea, Ethiopia, New Zealand, Barbados and Namibia.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development and the International Parliamentary Union, as well as the representative of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

The Moderator summarized the discussion of the round table.

*Round table 2 entitled “Review of trends in international development cooperation: South-South and triangular cooperation”*

The round table was chaired by H.E. Mr. Hilario G. Davide, Jr. (Philippines), Vice-President of the Council, and moderated by Mr. Sha Zukang, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs.

The Chairman made an opening statement.

Following a statement by the Moderator, presentations were made by the following panelists: H.E. Mr. Munir Akram, Permanent Representative of Pakistan to the United Nations in New York, and Chairman of the Group of 77; Mr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development; Mr. Richard Manning, Chair, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development/Development Assistance Committee; and Mr. Björn Stigson, President, World Business Council for Sustainable Development, Geneva.

The panelists responded to comments made by the delegations of Mexico, China, Nigeria, the Sudan, Sri Lanka, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Benin, Kazakhstan, Japan, the United States of America, India, Costa Rica and Honduras, as well as the observers for the European Community and the South Centre.

20th meeting

*Adoption of the Ministerial Declaration*

The President of the Council made a statement and suspended the meeting.

The President resumed the meeting and made a statement.