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Round table 1:

*“The reform of the international monetary and
financial system and its implications for development”*
(Conference Room 1, TNLB)

Chair:

H.E. Mr. Gert Rosenthal, Permanent Representative of Guatemala to the United Nations

Panelists:

- **Mr. Jose Antonio Ocampo**, Professor in the Professional Practice of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University
- **[Mr. Ranjit Teja](#)**, Deputy Director, Strategy, Policy and Review Department, IMF
- **Mr. Martin Khor**, Executive Director, South Centre

Biographical notes of panelists

Mr. José Antonio Ocampo is a Professor of Professional Practice in International and Public Affairs at the School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University. He is co-Chairman of the Initiative for Policy Dialogue (IPD) at Columbia University which helps developing countries explore policy alternatives, and enables wider civic participation in economic policymaking. He is also a member of Columbia's Committee on Global Thought. Prior to his appointment, Professor Ocampo served in a number of positions in the United Nations and the Government of Colombia, most notably as United Nations Under-Secretary General for Economic and Social Affairs; Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC); Minister of Finance and Public Credit, Chairman of the Board of Banco del República (Central Bank of Colombia) and Minister of Planning.

Mr. Ranjit Teja is currently Deputy Director in the International Monetary Fund's Strategy, Policy, and Review Department, where he deals with a range of issues including crisis response, early warning systems, and reform of Fund governance, to name a few. He obtained his PhD from Columbia University and his experience in the Fund since 1986 has spanned everything from emerging market crises in Asia (India, Thailand), Europe (Czech Republic), and Latin America (Brazil, Uruguay) to surveillance of large economies (China, US). Mr. Teja has also served as Senior Advisor to the Managing Director.

Mr. Martin Khor is Executive Director of the South Centre. Prior to this, he was the Director of the Third World Network, a leading developing-country civil society organization involved in research and publications in trade, environment and development issues. He was also the Editor of the South-North Development Monitor (SUNS). He is a member of the United Nations Committee on Development Policy. Previously, he served as a member of the Board of the South Centre in 1996-2002, the Helsinki Group on Globalisation and Democracy and a number of international task forces and commissions. Formerly he had also worked as Research Director of the Consumers' Association of Penang and as a lecturer in the Universiti Sains Malaysia.