DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

AT ITS SIXTY-SEVENTH SESSION

Osaka, Japan, 29 September 2001

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CE/DEC/1(LXII)

Adoption of the agenda

Agenda item 1
(document CE/67/1 prov.)

The Executive Council

Adopts the agenda of its sixty-seventh session with the addition of the item concerning the Working Group of the Executive Council.


CE/DEC/2(LXVII)

Appointment of the Deputy Secretary-General

Agenda item 2

The Executive Council,

Having been consulted by the Secretary-General, pursuant to Staff Regulation 15(b), concerning the appointment of Mr. Dawid de Villiers as Deputy Secretary-General for a four-year period starting 1 January 2002,

Warmly and unanimously approves the said appointment.
Elections to the subsidiary organs of the Executive Council

Agenda item 3

The Executive Council,

Having considered the proposals made by the Regional Commissions with regard to the composition of the new Committee on Market Intelligence and Promotion, the adjustments to be made for the Programme Committee and the renewal of membership of the Sub-Committee for the Review of applications for affiliate membership,

1. Declares the following Members elected to the Committee on Market Intelligence and Promotion for the period 2001-2003:

   Algeria Maldives
   Botswana Malta
   Colombia Mexico
   India Thailand
   Jordan Spain

2. Takes note of the modifications in the composition of the Programme Committee and appoints the following representatives to serve on this Committee until 2003:

   • Africa
     Mr. Bediafi Belhabib (Tunisia) (Member)
     Ms. Zorita Urosevic-Nibourette (Seychelles) (Alternate)
   • Americas
     Mr. Frank Pringle (Jamaica) (Member)
     Mr. Humberto Figueiredo (Brazil) (Alternate)
   • East Asia and the Pacific
     Ms. Evelyn Pantig (Philippines) (Alternate)
   • Europe
     Ms. Sonja Lebe (Slovenia) (Member)
     Mr. Claudio Rois (Croatia) (Alternate)
   • South Asia
     Mr. Amitabh Kant (India) (Member)
     Mr. Renton de Alwis (Sri Lanka) (Alternate)

3. Declares the following Members elected to the Sub-Committee for the Review of applications for affiliate membership for the period 2001-2003: Brazil, China, Côte d'Ivoire, Iran, Lebanon and Spain.
Election of the Executive Council's Officers for the year 2002

Authority item 4
(document CE/67/4)

The Executive Council,

Having regard to rule 5 of its Rules of Procedure,

1. Decides to elect Jordan as Chairman of the Executive Council, France as first Vice-Chairman, and Côte d'Ivoire and Ecuador as second Vice-Chairmen; and

2. Requests these Full Members, in accordance with rule 5(4) of its Rules of Procedure, to inform the Secretary-General of the persons designated to perform these functions.

Working Group of the Executive Council

The Executive Council,

1. Decides that it would be advisable to maintain the existence of a Working Group on the modernization of the Organization, which will be responsible, in liaison with the Secretary-General, for studying the possible transformation of WTO into a specialized agency of the United Nations and for dealing with the issue of the Organization’s contracts and tenders;

2. Anticipates that this Group, chaired by the Chairman of the Executive Council, will be open to the member countries of the Council that wish to participate in its work;

3. Takes note of the wish expressed by countries such as Spain and Brazil to form part of this Group, and requests that those countries wishing to join the Group inform the Secretariat thereof as soon as possible, and

4. Recommends that the conclusions and recommendations of the Working Group be submitted to the Secretariat in due course so that they may be transmitted to the Members of the Council within the prescribed deadlines.
Place and dates of the sixty-eighth session of the Executive Council

Agenda item 5

The Executive Council

Decides to accept the generous offer of Jordan to host its sixty-eighth ordinary session in Jordan on dates to be agreed between the Secretary-General and the host country; and

Takes note of the invitation formulated by the Russian Federation to host its sixty-ninth session at St Petersburg in October 2002.
4. **LIST OF PARTICIPANTS**

The sixty-seventh session of the Executive Council was attended by:

“(1) delegates of the following Members of the Council: Andorra, Angola, Brazil, Cameroon, China, Côte d’Ivoire, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Dominican Republic, Eritrea, France, India, Iran, Jordan, Lebanon, Mexico, Morocco, Namibia, Poland, Portugal, Russian Federation, Spain, Thailand, Togo and United Republic of Tanzania;”

(2) the representative of the Associate Members (Macao, China); and

(3) the Chairman of the Regional Commission for Europe (Switzerland).