



**DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**  
(Joint Ministerial Committee  
of the  
Boards of Governors of the Bank and the Fund  
On the  
Transfer of Real Resources to Developing Countries)



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**NOTICE OF MEETING**

The 63rd meeting of the Development Committee will be held on Monday, April 30, 2001, commencing at 9:00 a.m. in the Preston Auditorium of the World Bank, Washington, D.C.

**DRAFT PROVISIONAL AGENDA<sup>1</sup>**

**I. Topics for Discussion in the Restricted Session**

- A. World Bank Group Strategy in Middle-Income Countries<sup>2</sup>
- B. Selected Issues in IMF/World Bank Support for Low-Income Countries
  - 1. PRSP/HIPC Initiative<sup>3</sup>
  - 2. Assistance to Post-Conflict Countries and the HIPC Framework<sup>4</sup>

**II. Items for Comment in Circulated Ministerial Statements**

- A. Leveraging Trade for Development – World Bank Role<sup>5</sup>
- B. Global Public Goods<sup>6</sup>
- C. HIV/AIDS Action Program<sup>7</sup>
- D. Harmonization of Operational Policies and Procedures<sup>8</sup>
- E. IMF/World Bank Roles in Promoting Integrity of the International Financial System<sup>9</sup>
- F. Guidelines for Public Debt Management<sup>10</sup>
- G. Effective Insolvency Systems: Principles and Guidelines<sup>11</sup>

**III. Other Business<sup>12</sup>**

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<sup>1</sup> The President of the World Bank and the Managing Director of the Fund will each provide a statement, in advance of the meeting, focused on agenda topics and other items. A Note on Recent Trends in the Transfer of Resources to Developing Countries will provide background information relevant to the Committee's work.

The tentative schedule for the meeting is as follows: Plenary Session 9:00-10:00 (Preston Auditorium); Restricted Session 10:15-12:30 (World Bank Board Room, MC13-301); Chairman's Lunch 12:45-2:30 (Executive Dining Room, MC13-121). **Please note that the Chairman will also host a dinner for members on Sunday, April 29, from 6:30 – 10:00 p.m. in World Bank Room MC-13-121; the topic for discussion will be the future directions of the World Bank.**

Main points of the Members' statements prepared for circulation before the meeting and received at least 24 hours in advance will be highlighted in the Chairman's statement to the plenary session. The plenary session will be limited to statements by the Chairman, IMF Managing Director, World Bank Group President, and the Chairman of the Group of 24.

<sup>2</sup> Requested in paragraph 12 of the September 25, 2000 Development Committee Communiqué.

<sup>3</sup> The discussion should be based on issues drawn from a Joint Bank/Fund Progress Report on this subject.

<sup>4</sup> Joint Bank/Fund report as requested in paragraph 4 of the Joint Communiqué of the IMFC and Development Committee meeting of September 24, 2000.

<sup>5</sup> Prepared in response to a number of references in recent Development Committee communiqués.

<sup>6</sup> Progress Report requested in paragraph 7 of the September 25, 2000 Development Committee Communiqué.

<sup>7</sup> Progress Report prepared by World Bank staff to follow-up on the Committee's April 17, 2000 meeting.

<sup>8</sup> Progress Report requested in paragraph 10 of the September 25, 2000 Development Committee Communiqué.

<sup>9</sup> Joint Fund/Bank report requested in paragraph 17 of the September 24, 2000 IMFC Communiqué.

<sup>10</sup> Joint Fund/Bank Guidelines for Public Debt Management were requested in paragraph 18 of the IMFC Communiqué of April 16, 2000.

<sup>11</sup> The draft Principles and Guidelines for Effective Insolvency and Creditor Rights Systems is a collaborative product of the World Bank and many partner institutions, organizations and individuals. The topic is tentatively scheduled for consideration by the World Bank Board of Executive Directors on April 10, 2001. The Principles, when finalized and agreed, are intended to be used in connection with the joint Bank-Fund program of assessments in member countries with respect to observance of standards and codes.

<sup>12</sup> At the Chairman's lunch for Members, the President and the Managing Director, Mr. Wolfensohn will invite Members' views on a number of major issues facing the World Bank Group. Members will also be asked to approve the Communiqué at the close of the lunch.