Executive Committee on Economic and Social Affairs

Minutes of the Meeting of ECESA Plus Deputies

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## **Conclusions and decisions**

- Deputies agreed to send inputs and comments to the first draft of the paper on LDC IV by the 22<sup>nd</sup> of December 2010.
- Deputies agreed to assign focal points to the UN Lead Economists' Network as well as for the UN Macroeconomic Advisory Capacity (MAC)
- Deputies agreed to send their organization's updated calendars to the Secretary of ECESA

Mr Jomo K. Sundaram

CEB will send out a request to all agencies that are contributing to this initiative and ask for inputs. By the end of the year OHRLLS aimed to have all inputs collected and will then start to prepare for the outcome of the process.

<u>Ms. Puri</u> noted all suggestions brought forward by the members of ECESA. On issues pertaining to the environment, she stated that there had been plans to mention a green new deal for LDCs, however, there had been some controversy regarding this issue. Drawing attention to the work of the Eminent Persons' Group, she informe

important to contribute to LEN. He emphasized that LEN and MAC were two distinct initiatives. He stressed the importance of identifying focal points for LEN and for MAC, if the capacity and resources were available. He then opened the floor for questions.

<u>Ms. Puri</u>

in a coherent manner. MAC is meant to bring together different agencies' work on macroeconomics as well trade, providing alternative options for governments.

Furthermore, <u>UNCTAD</u> gave some examples of government requests such as advice on sovereign debt, regional monetary agreements as well as alternative views on industrial policies. He emphasized that UN has an important role to play

hoped that with greater engagement there would be opportunities for more collaboration than in the recent decades.

ECLAC stressed that LEN and MAC should also build upon existing regional initiatives, as