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[on the report of the Second Committee (A/63/412/Add.1)]

63/203. International trade and development

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 56/178 of 21 December 2001, 57/235 of 20 December 2002, 58/197 of 23 December 2003, 59/221 of 22 December 2004, 60/184 of 22 December 2005, 61/186 of 20 December 2006 and 62/184 of 19 December 2007 on international trade and development, and recalling also the provisions of the United Nations Millennium Declaration¹ pertaining to trade and related development issues, as well as the outcomes of the International Conference on Financing for Development² and the World Summit on Sustainable Development,³ the 2005 World Summit Outcome⁴ and General Assembly resolution 60/265 of 30 June 2006 on the follow-up to the development outcome of the Summit, and the Accra Accord adopted by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development at its twelfth session, held from 20 to 25 April 2008,⁵

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on international trade and development⁶ and the report of the Trade and Development Board on its fifty-fifth session, held from 15 to 26 September 2008;⁷

2. Notes the deliberations held in the context of the preparatory process for the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development to Review the Implementation of the Monterrey Consensus, held in Doha from 29 November to 2 December 2008, at which the issue of international trade and development was substantively addressed;

¹ See resolution 55/2.

² *Report of the International Conference on Financing for Development, Monterrey, Mexico, 18–22 March 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.02.II.A.7), chap. I, resolution 1, annex.

³ *Report of the World Summit on Sustainable Development, Johannesburg, South Africa, 26 August–4 September 2002* (United Nations publication, Sales No. E.03.II.A.1 and corrigendum), chap. I, resolution 1, annex, and resolution 2, annex.

⁴ See resolution 60/1.

⁵ TD/442 and Corr.1, chap. II

⁶ A/63/324.

⁷ A/63/15 (Part IV). For the final text, see *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-third Session, Supplement No. 15*.

3. *Stresses* the importance of the continued substantive consideration of the issue of international trade and development;

4. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-fourth session, under the item entitled “Macroeconomic policy questions”, the sub-item entitled “International trade and development”;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in collaboration with the secretariat of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, to submit to the General Assembly at its sixty-fourth session a report on international trade and development.

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