

CHAIRMAN'S NON-PAPER

TRADE AND INVESTMENT

We agree to undertake further educational and analytical work on foreign direct investment (FDI), based on proposals by Members, and including consideration of:

- the need to preserve the ability of host governments to regulate the activity of investors in their respective territories;
- the transparency, stability and predictability of domestic investment regimes;
- positive commitments by participants regarding access to investment opportunities in their territories;
- the exclusion of investor-state dispute settlement provisions;
- the specific needs of developing countries;
- and the relationship to other international rules and agreements on investment.

This work shall be purposeful and focused, and aim to assist all Members to prepare for, and adequately assess the possible outcomes and implications of, negotiations on this issue.

A report on this work shall be presented to the Fourth Ministerial Conference, which shall decide whether specific guidance is needed for any negotiation to be launched at that time under the single undertaking.