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.

REVISED PROVISIONAL AGENDA

I. Topics for Discussion in the Restricted Session
   A. World Bank Group Strategy in the Middle-Income Countries
   B. Harmonization of Operational Policies and Procedures
   C. Leveraging Trade for Development – World Bank Role

II. Items for Comment in Circulated Ministerial Statements
   A. Global Public Goods
   B. HIV/AIDS Action Program
   C. IMF/World Bank Roles in Promoting Integrity of the International Financial System
   D. Guidelines for Public Debt Management
   E. Effective Insolvency Systems: Principles and Guidelines

III. Other Business

***

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 (DC2001-0003) provides 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 – 9:30 p.m. in World Bank Room MC-13-121; the topic for discussion will be Future Directions of the World Bank Group.
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, World Bank Group President, IMF Managing Director, and the Chairman of the Group of 24.

**NOTE:** The following subjects, previously included in the original Provisional Agenda (DC2001-0001) under the heading Selected Issues in IMF/World Bank Support for Low-Income Countries will now be considered at a joint session of the Development Committee (DC) and the International Monetary and Financial Committee (IMFC) on Sunday, April 29, 2001 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the IMF Gallery, Second Floor (IMF Main Building):

1. **PRSP/HIPC Initiative;** and
2. **Assistance to Post-Conflict Countries and the HIPC Framework.**

- Requested in paragraph 12 of the September 25, 2000 Development Committee Communiqué.

- Progress Report requested in paragraph 10 of the September 25, 2000 Development Committee Communiqué.

- Prepared in response to a number of references in recent Development Committee communiqués.

- Progress Report requested in paragraph 7 of the September 25, 2000 Development Committee Communiqué.

- Progress Report prepared by World Bank staff to follow-up on the Committee’s April 17, 2000 meeting.

- Joint Bank Fund/Bank report requested in paragraph 17 of the September 24, 2000 IMFC Communiqué.

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

- 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 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.

- 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.