



SEMINAR ON

FINANCING DEVELOPMENT IN THE LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES: TRENDS AND PROSPECTS

TUESDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2008

10 AM – 1 PM

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PROGRAMME

- 10.00** **Welcome Remarks: Mr. Cheick Sidi Diarra, High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States/Special Adviser on Africa**
- 10.10** **Trends and Developments in Official Development Assistance to LDCs: Mr. Simon Scott, Head of Statistics and Monitoring Division, Development Cooperation Directorate, Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development**
- 10.30** **Impact of World Financial Crisis on Development Finance Prospects for LDCs: Mr. Douglas Hostland, Senior Economist, International Finance Team, World Bank**
- 10.50** **Doha Conference - Issues for LDCs: Department for Economic and Social Affairs – Mr. Sha Zukang**
- 11.00** **Civil Society Perspectives: Mr. Arjun Karki, LDC Watch President**
- 11.10** **Open Discussion**
- 12.10** **Remarks by Ms. Ismat Jahan, Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations, Chairperson of the LDC Group**
- 12.20** **Closing remarks**

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