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## **Negotiating Group on the Multilateral Agreement on Investment (MAI)**

### **AGENDA**

#### **Meeting on 18-19 April 1996**

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1. **Adoption of the Agenda** DAFFE/MAI/A(96)3
2. **Approval of the Summary Record of the meeting 14-15 March 1996** DAFFE/MAI/M(96)2
3. **Report by Drafting Group 2 on the definition of investors and investments**
  - Note by the Chairman DAFFE/MAI/DG2(96)3
  - For Reference
    - Note by the Chairman DAFFE/MAI/DG2(96)1/REV1
    - Contributions by Member countries
4. **Report by Expert Group 1 on Dispute Settlement and Geographical Scope** DAFFE/MAI/EG1(96)5
  - For Reference
    - Contribution by Member countries
5. **Progress Report to Ministers**
  - Note by the Chairman DAFFE/MAI(96)14
6. **Application to different levels of government**
  - Note by the Chairman DAFFE/MAI(96)11
  - Contributions by Member countries DAFFE/MAI/RD(96)20
7. **Measures taken in the context of regional economic integration organisations**
  - Note by the Chairman DAFFE/MAI(96)12
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- 8. Accession of Non-Members**
- Note by the Chairman DAFFE/MAI(96)13
  - Contributions by Member countries DAFFE/MAI/RD(96)22
- 9. Report by CIME/CMIT on the Analytical Inventory of Measures affecting Investment** DAFFE/INV/IME(96)18
- 10. Next Steps/Other Business**

## ANNOTATIONS TO THE AGENDA

### **Item 3: Report by DG2 on Definition of Investors and Investments**

In accordance with its revised mandate (see DAFFE/MAI/M(96)1, Annex 3), the Drafting Group will submit for consideration specific proposals on the definition of investors and investment [DAFFE/MAI/DG2(95)3/REV1]. The Negotiating Group is invited to take note and comment this report which will be considered by the Negotiating Group in June as part of an integrated package of DG1 and DG2 reports.

### **Item 4: Report by EG1 on Dispute Settlement and Geographical Scope**

The Expert Group on dispute settlement and geographical scope was charged with examining the relevant aspects of a dispute settlement mechanism in the MAI and with drafting specific provisions on the issue of geographical scope (see DAFFE/MAI/M(95)3, Annex 3). The Group will report on the results of its work [DAFFE/MAI/EG1(96)5]. The Negotiating Group is invited to take note and comment this report.

### **Item 5: Progress Report to Ministers**

In accordance with its mandate, the Negotiating Group will make a progress report to the OECD Ministerial meeting on 21-22 May 1996. The Chairman will submit to the Negotiating Group a draft progress report [DAFFE/MAI(96)14] taking account of the guidance given by the Group at its meeting in March. Written comments on the draft are welcome. The draft report is for consideration and approval by the Group at its April meeting.

### **Item 6: Application of the MAI to Different Levels of Government**

The Negotiating Group will hold an orientation debate on the issue of the application of the MAI to different levels of government on the basis of a note by the Chairman [DAFFE/MAI(96)11 and any other Member country contributions [DAFFE/MAI(96)20].

### **Item 7: Measures taken in the context of Regional Economic Integration Organisations**

A note by the Chairman [DAFFE/MAI(96)12] will examine the issues relating to measures taken in the context of regional economic integration organisations. The Negotiating Group is invited to consider the questions raised in the note with a view to identifying how the issue should be dealt with in the MAI.

**Item 8: Accession of Non-Members**

The Negotiating Group will consider a note by the Chairman [DAFFE/MAI(96)13] setting out issues relating to accession to the MAI by non-Member countries. A note by one delegation, as well as Member country contributions [DAFFE/MAI(96)22] will also be considered.

**Item 9: Report by CIME/CMIT on the Analytical Inventory of Measures Affecting Investment**

At its October 24-26 meeting, the Negotiating Group requested the CIME/CMIT to update Member country information on controls and impediments to investment. This report [DAFFE/INV/IME(96)18] will be for examination by the Negotiating Group which should also consider in what manner this work should be carried forward. Liberalisation and the balance of commitments is for consideration at the Heads of Delegation lunch on 19 April.

**Item 10: Other Business**

In the light of the discussion, the Negotiating Group will be invited to consider the agendas for June and September and the possible referral of issues to expert/drafting groups.

A provisional agenda for the June meeting and the schedule of proposed dates for future meetings were agreed at the meeting in March, [DAFFE/MAI/M(96)2].