



Negotiating Group on the Multilateral Agreement on Investment (MAI)

Drafting Group No.3 on Definition, Treatment and Protection of Investors and Investments

AGENDA

Meeting on 24 April 1997

**DG N° 3 ON DEFINITION, TREATMENT AND PROTECTION
OF INVESTORS AND INVESTMENTS
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| 1 | Adoption of the Agenda | DAFFE/MAI/DG3/A(97)4 |
| 2 | Approval of the Summary Record of the meeting held 26 March 1997 | DAFFE/MAI/DG3/M(97)3 |
| 3 | Preamble | DAFFE/MAI/DG3(97)4 |
| | <u>For Reference</u>
Note by the Chair
Draft Texts on Associating the OECD Guidelines with the MAI | DAFFE/MAI/DG3(97)5
DAFFE/MAI/IN(97)2 |
| 4 | Provision on Not Lowering Standards | DAFFE/MAI/DG3(97)7 |
| 5 | Article on Lodging Country Specific Reservations | |
| | -- Note by the Chair
-- Aide-memoire | DAFFE/MAI/DG3(97)6
DAFFE/MAI/DG3/M(97)3 |
| | <u>For Reference</u>
Selected Articles from existing agreements
Liberalisation and the Lodging of Country Specific Reservations | DAFFE/MAI/DG3/RD(97)10
DAFFE/MAI(97)11 and 14 |
| 6 | Report to the Negotiating Group | |
| 7 | Other Issues | |
| | -- Contributions from Member countries | |

Notes to the Agenda

Item 3: Preamble

The Drafting Group is invited to advance development of the text of the Preamble, based on the results of the discussion in February [DAFFE/MAI/DG3(97)4]. As this issue will be considered by the Negotiating Group in May, it would be helpful to present as clean a text as possible with any differences of view clearly delineated.

Item 4: Provision on Not Lowering Standards

The Drafting Group is invited to finalise a text for a possible provision which calls for MAI Parties not to lower standards in order to attract investment, based on the results of the discussion in March [DAFFE/MAI/DG3(97)7]. As this issue will be considered by the Negotiating Group in May, it would be helpful to present as clean a text as possible with any differences of view clearly delineated.

Item 5: Article on Lodging Country Specific Reservations

The Drafting Group will be invited to develop a draft provision on the lodging of country-specific reservations based on the results of the discussion in March (see Aide Mémoire attached to DAFFE/MAI/DG3/M(97)3).

Item 6: Report to the Negotiating Group

The Group will be invited to prepare a report to the Negotiating Group on the issues considered at this meeting.

Item 7: Other Issues

Under this item, delegations may raise other issues which the Drafting Group may wish to consider.

Annex

REVISED MANDATE FOR DRAFTING GROUP N° 3

1. The Drafting Group, open to the participation of all delegations, is charged with drafting proposed solutions to the outstanding issues in the consolidated texts and commentaries.
2. The Group will report to the Negotiating Group as appropriate.

Chair: Mr Jérôme Haas (France)

Vice-Chair: Mr Anders Ahnlid (Sweden)