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

**Expert Group No.1 on Selected Issues Concerning Dispute Settlement and Geographical Scope**

**SUMMARY RECORD**

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#### **1. Adoption of the Agenda**

The Group adopted the Agenda [DAFFE/MAI/EG1/A(96)4].

#### **2. Approval of the Summary Record of the meeting held on 18-20 September 1996**

The Group approved the Summary Record [DAFFE/MAI/EG1/M(96)3].

#### **3. Dispute Settlement: Consultation/Conciliation and State-State**

The Expert Group:

- Considered the draft texts on consultation/conciliation and state to state dispute settlement set out in the Chairman's Note [DAFFE/MAI/EG1(96)9];
- Elaborated on the texts, identified a number of questions that require further consideration and decided to consider revised drafts of the texts at its next meeting.

#### **4. Conflicting Requirements**

The Expert Group:

- Considered the Chairman's Note [DAFFE/MAI/EG1(96)10];
- Noted the comments from delegations and the written contributions by two of them [DAFFE/MAI/RD(96)23, DAFPE/MAI/RD(96)29];
- Reviewed the existing OECD instrument on conflicting requirements, prepared a draft report and agreed to finalise the report at its next meeting for submission to the Negotiating Group on 24-25 October.

#### **5. Next Steps/Other Business**

The Expert Group decided to consider, at its next meeting:

- draft text on investor to state dispute settlement based on a note by the Chairman and written contributions from Member Countries;
- protection of investor rights based on a written contribution by one delegation;
- domestic implementation of international treaties.