United Nations Forum on Forests Bureau of the Fifth Session (UNFF 5 Bureau)

Minutes of the sixth meeting

Tuesday, 15 March 2005

6.00-8.20 PM, FAO, Rome Time

The sixth meeting of the Bureau considered the following agenda items:

1. Adoption of the agenda

Expected outcomes and organisation of work

The Bureau considered the revised organisation of work. It was agreed that UNFF5 could conclude on one *omnibus* resolution covering all agenda items and one ministerial declaration. Recognizing the strong relation between the expected outputs and the organisation of work and suggesting a number of changes to the circulated draft proposal, the Bureau agreed that the final decision on this issue should be taken based on the discussion of the informal consultations. The Bureau also decided that the first draft for a possible ministerial declaration should be presented after the first session addressing this agenda item.

High level segment

Mr. Patosaari explained the detailed program proposal and invited Bureau members to consider a chairperson for the plenary discussion on the restoration of the world's forests. The Bureau also discussed the concept of a ministerial lunch to be offered by the USG of DESA and concluded that because of language problems the event could be difficult to organize if only ministers were invited.

4. Other business

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