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To: Members of the Committee of the Whole  
on the Development Committee

From: The Acting Secretary

Subject: Development Committee - Annotated Agenda

There is attached for consideration by the Committee the annotation to item 1(i)(b) Other MDIs (page 2 of EB/CW/DC/83/1, 3/7/83) of the draft annotated agenda for the April 28-29, 1983 meeting of the Development Committee.

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Sub-paragraph to item 1(i) of the  
Annotated Agenda

(b) Other Multilateral Development  
Institutions

The paper on the lending operations and resource requirements of the multilateral development institutions in the changed circumstances of the 1980s and possible implications for their capital base is based on the material received from the Asian Development Bank (AsDB), the African Development Bank (AfDB), the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD). It describes the lending programs of the four institutions and the difficulties they face in the replenishment of resources in their recent negotiations.

Ministers may wish to:

- take note of the resource needs of the MDIs in the period ahead and in the context of the perspective availability of public and private capital from other sources; and
- recommend governments to take urgent steps to meet the pledges already made and to seek means of financing the future requirements of both ordinary and concessional funds including, where needed, an increase in their capital base to enable them to continue to play their useful role in the development efforts of the member countries.