INFORMATION NOTE

Briefing to Permanent Missions on the importance of industry in inclusive and sustainable development

On behalf of H.E. Ms. Ana Teresa Dengo Benavides (Costa Rica) and Mr. Alberto Groff (Switzerland), the Co-Chairs of the informal working group on the future, including programmes and resources, of UNIDO, I am pleased to invite Permanent Missions to an expert briefing by Prof. Ha-Joon Chang, Reader in the Political Economy of Development at the University of Cambridge, on

Monday, 29 October 2012, at 10:00 a.m., in Board Room B (M-building).

Prof. Ha-Joon Chang is one of the leading economists specialized in development economics and author of “The Political Economy of Industrial Policy”, published in 1994. Prof. Chang has also served as a consultant to various United Nations organizations, multilateral financial organizations, national government agencies, non-governmental organizations and the private sector.

In his briefing, Prof. Chang will share his views on the importance of industry in inclusive and sustainable development. The subject of the briefing has been identified by the informal working group as one of the key themes on which external experts should be invited. As with the previous expert briefing, it would be very much appreciated if Member States could convey any particular questions or issues they may wish Prof. Ha-Joon Chang to address during the briefing in advance to the Co-Chairs or the Secretariat.

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