STATEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE GROUP OF 77 AND CHINA
BY MINISTER MARCELO SUAREZ SALVIA, PERMANENT MISSION OF ARGENTINA TO THE UNITED NATIONS, AT THE SPECIAL HIGH-LEVEL MEETING OF ECOSOC WITH THE BRETTON WOODS INSTITUTIONS, THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION AND THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT, DURING THETRADE,

CAPITAL FLOWS,

according to the economic realities and ensuring a democratic representation and a transparent and accountable govemance system and regulatory framework.

7. The IMF must provide more comprehensive, evenhanded and flexible responses to the needs of member countries, without imposing procyclical conditionalities, respecting their need for policy space and helping overcome the ongoing crisis. The IMF balance of payment loans should not come attached to policy conditionality that is contractionary and procyclical constraining development objectives and needs. Access to new financial facilities and the provision of additional resources should not be tied to conditionalities. Once more, we say that policy space for developing countries must be maintained.

8. In that regard, the G77 and China stresses the importance of responsible lending and borrowing, emphasizes that creditors and debtors must share responsibility for preventing unsustainable debt situations, and calls upon all Member States, and encourages the representatives of the Bretton Woods institutions, the regional development banks and other relevant multilateral financial institutions and stakeholders, to contribute to the

12. In order to fully harness the potential of trade it is important to uphold a universal, rules-based, open, non-discriminatory and equitable multilateral trading system that contributes to growth, sustainable development and employment, particularly for developing countries. In this context, developed countries should resist all protectionist measures and tendencies, affecting developing countries, including agricultural subsidies and non-tariff barriers to trade, and to rectify any trade distOliing measures already taken.

13. G77 and China believes that private international capital flows, especially foreign direct investment (FDI), can be an important complement to national and international development effOlis. However, international capital flows to developing countries remain excessively concentrated in few large market i2