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**(b) Election of the members of the
WTO Staff Pension Committee for the period 2006-2007**

Note by the Secretary-General

The present document is submitted to the General Assembly for information and appropriate action.

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1. Following its affiliation to the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund in 1996, the World Tourism Organization established its Staff Pension Committee, in conformity with Article 6 of the Fund's Regulations. This committee is composed of members and alternate members chosen by the General Assembly from among the Member States; by the Secretary-General; and, by the officials of the Organization who are participants of the Fund.

2. The first WTO Staff Pension Committee was established for the period 1996-1997. The following countries were designated as representatives of the States on the basis of a decision taken by the Executive Council at its 53rd session, which was later ratified by the General Assembly at its twelfth session (A/RES/363(XII)):

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| 1. Spain | - | Member |
| 2. India | - | Member |
| 3. Argentina | - | Alternate Member |
| 4. Côte d'Ivoire | - | Alternate Member |

3. Also at this same session, the General Assembly decided to re-elect these countries for the period 1998-1999 (RES/363(XII)).

4. In its succeeding sessions, the General Assembly, having taken note of the willingness of Spain, India, Argentina and Côte d'Ivoire to continue serving on the Staff Pension Committee, decided to re-elect them (resolutions A/RES/403(XIII), A/RES/435(XIV) and A/RES/465(XV) for the periods 2000-2001, 2002-2003 and 2004-2005 respectively.

5. The current mandate of the staff pension committee expires at the end of this year. Consequently, the General Assembly is again invited to deliberate on this issue and to either re-elect the above-mentioned countries or to elect new members to this Committee, for the period 2006-2007. As of the date of this document, both Spain and Argentina have expressed their willingness to continue serving in this Committee.