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Conse+,en es o" -rad,ation o"
.o)o$on &s)ands
"ro$ t!e Least De/e)o'ed Co,ntr* Cate0or*

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(s a 973 e8er .o)o$on &s)ands wo,)d no)on0er 8ene"it "ro$ s'e ia) and di""erentia) ;.LD< treat$ent ,nder t!e 973 a0ree$ents and de isions. 7!e wit!drawa) o" .LD is ,n)ike)* to !a/e $aEor e ono$i i$')i ations a)t!o,0! .o)o$on &s)ands wo,)d "a e ertain osts in i$')e$entin0 t!e (0ree$ent on 7rade #e)ated (s'e ts o" &nte))e t,a) Pro'ert* #i0!ts ;7#&P.<.

7!e $ain (id "or 7rade instr,$ent t!at is s'e i"i a))* 0eared at LDCs is t!e En!an ed &nte0rated ?ra$ework ;E&?<, w!i ! re'resents a re)ati/e)* s$a)) s!are o" (id "or 7rade ")ows to .o)o$on &s)ands. 7!e o,ntr* wo,)d 8e e)i0i8)e "or s,''ort "ro$ t!e E&? "or a 'eriod o" ,' to "i/e *ears a"ter 0rad,ation. 3t!er o$'onents o" (id "or 7rade are 0enera))* not)inked to LDC stat,s.

De/e)o'$ent oo'eration

-rad,ation wo,)d not si0ni"i ant)* i$'a t 3D(or .o,t!-.o,t! oo'eration sin e t!e $ost si0ni"i ant ")ows and 'ro0ra$$es are ,ndertaken 8* t!e $ain donors and 'artners 8ased on riteria ot!er t!an LDC stat,s. .o)o$on &s)ands wo,)d)ose a ess to ertain $e !anis$s and ",nds ;in so$e ases a"ter a transition 'eriod< s, ! as t!e 7e !no)o0* 2ank "or LDCs and t!e Least

De/e)o'$ent oo'eration

(e)-2())-10*t ns7 tries .)o3($)9(.84 0 9.28()-24(o)-469756(e)-2( )-1(o)7(d)-5(e)-r1(n)-59)-5(s)2(e)8B2(r)-1

1. 2a k0ro,nd, s o'e and so,r es

.o)o$on &s)ands was "o,nd e)i0i8)e "or 0rad,ation "ro$ t!e)east de/e)o'ed o,ntr* ;LDC< ate0or* "or t!e "irst ti$e in 2015 8ased on its -N& 'er a'ita and its s ore on t!e !,$an assets inde%;@(&<;see 2o%1<.[1] (ordin0 to esta8)is!ed 'ro ed,res, t!is re'ort res'onds to t!e re+,est 8* t!e CDP "or t!e United Nations De'art$ent o" E ono$i and .o ia) (""airs ;UNDE.(< to ond, t an e%-ante assess$ent o" t!e e%'e ted i$'a ts "or .o)o$on &s)ands o" no)on0er !a/in0 a ess to internationa) s,''ort $eas,res "or LDCs. 7!e re'ort wi)) 8e onsidered 8* t!e CDP w!en it re/iews t!e o,ntr*Ks e)i0i8i)it* "or 0rad,ation "or t!e se ond ti$e d,rin0 t!e 2018 triennia) re/iew.

7!e ',r'ose o" t!e e%-ante i$'a t assess$ent is to e%a$ine t!e)ike)* onse+,en es o" 0rad,ation "or o,ntries4 e ono$i 0rowt! and de/e)o'$ent. &t identi"ies 'otentia) risksand !a))en0es t!at o,ntries $a* "a e a"ter 0rad,atin0 in /iew o" t!e 'ossi8)e !an0e in t!e nat,re o" s,''ort re ei/ed 8* de/e)o'$ent and tradin0 'artners 8* e/a),atin0 t!e dire t e""e ts o" 0rad,ation on t!e $ain internationa) s,''ort $eas,res ;&.Ms< e%tended to LDCs. .,''ort $eas,res "a)) into t!ree $ain areas= i< internationa) tradeA ii< de/e)o'$ent oo'erationA and iii< ot!er 0enera) s,''ort ;re)ated to United Nations ",ndin0, s,''ort "or tra/e) to o""i ia) $eetin0s, and s !o)ars!i's and resear ! 0rants<.[2]

7!e ana)*sis onsiders on)* on rete s,''ort $eas,res t!at are $ade a/ai)a8)e to t!e o,ntr* on erned e%),si/e)* on 8asis o" its LDC stat,s. &n internationa) trade, t!e ana)*sis "irst identi"ies 'rod, ts o" interest on t!e 8asis o" ,rrent 8i)atera) trade ")ows and re)e/ant 'o)i * do ,$ents. 7!en, it assesses to w!i ! e%tent t!ese 'rod, ts 8ene"it "ro$ LDC-s'e i"i 're"erentia) $arket a ess and !ow $arket a ess onditions wo,)d !an0e a"ter a 'ossi8)e 0rad,ation. &" a'')i a8)e, it a)so onsiders t!e i$'a t o" 0rad,ation on o8)i0ations wit!in t!e 9 or)d 7rade 3r0aniBation and re0iona) tradin0 arran0e$ents as we)) as t!e i$'a t on (id-"or-7rade s,''ort. 7!e i$'a t o" 0rad,ation on de/e)o'$ent oo'eration is assessed in two ste's. ?irst, t!e assess$ent identi"ies $aEor 'artners on 8asis o" ,rrent de/e)o'$ent oo'eration in")ows and 'roEe ts. .,8se+,ent)*, and on 8asis o" de/e)o'$ent oo'eration 'o)i ies and o,ntr*-s'e i"i in"or$ation "ro$ indi/id,a) de/e)o'$ent 'artners, it identi"ies w!et!er 8e)on0in0 to t!e LDC ate0or* is)ike)* to si0ni"i ant)* in"),en e oo'eration 'ro0ra$$es or)i$its a ess to s'e i"i instr,$ents. 7!e i$'a t o" 0rad,ation on ontri8,tions to United Nations or0aniBations is assessed 8* onsiderin0 t!e !*'ot!eti a) ontri8,tions a o,ntr* wo,)d !a/e to $ake to t!e $ost re ent 8,d0et i" t!e o,ntr* did not !a/e LDC stat,s.

-rad,ation a)so !as 'otentia) 8ene"its, s, ! as a !ei0!tened sense o" nationa) 'ro0ress t!at a o$'anies a $o/e o,t o" t!e o""i ia))owest r,n0 o" t!e de/e)o'$ent)adderA in reased 'o)iti a) standin0 in re0iona) and internationa) instit,tionsA and i$'ro/ed a ess to and onditions in "inan ia) $arkets. &t wo,)d 8e di""i ,)t and 'otentia))* $is)eadin0 to atte$'t to re)ia8)* esta8)is! and +,anti"* t!e si0ni"i an e o" t!ese "a tors "or indi/id,a) o,ntries and t!eir onse+,en es "or

[1] United Nations Co$$ittee "or De/e)o'$ent Po)i *, #e'ort on t!e se/enteent! session ;21-2> Mar ! 2015< o" t!e Co$$ittee

e ono$i 0rowt! and de/e)o'$ent. 7!ere"ore, t!ese iss,es are not addressed in t!e assess$ent. -rad,ation $a*'otentia))* a)so a""e t a ess to and onditions in "inan ia) $arkets. @owe/er, t!ere is ,rrent)* no e/iden e "ro$ ',8)i)* a/ai)a8)e

2o% 1. -rad,ation e)i0i8i)it* and t!e 'ro ess towards 0rad,ation

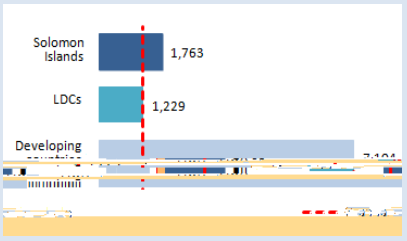
(o,ntr* 8e o$es "or 0rad,ation "ro$ t!e LDC ate0or* w!en it $eets an* in two onse ,ti/e ond, ted 8* t!e CDP. &n t!e 2018 re/iew, t!e riteria are as "o))ows=

- -N& 'er a'ita o" U.D 1,210 or a8o/e ;a)so re"erred to as t!e in o$e t!res!o)d<
- @,$an (ssets &nde% o" 66 or a8o/eN
- E ono$i M,)nera8i)it* &nde% o" 12 or 8e)owN

()ternati/e)*, a o,ntr* $a* 8e o$e e)i0i8)e "or 0rad,ation i" its -N& 'er a'ita is $ore t!an do,8)e t!e in o$e t!res!o)d d,rin0 two onse ,ti/e re/iews.

(t t!e 2018 re/iew, .o)o$on &s)ands4 -N& 'er a'ita is U.D 1,>61, e% eedin0 t!e 0rad,ation t!res!o)d o" U.D 1,210, and its !,$an assets inde% ;@(&< s ore is >:.8, a)so e% eedin0 t!e 0rad,ation t!res!o)d o" 66.0. ()t!o,0! its e ono$i /,)nera8i)it* inde% ;EM&< s ore o" 52.1 re$aines "ar a8o/e t!e $a%i$,$ t!res!o)d o" 12.0, $eetin0 t!e in o$e and !,$an assets inde% ;@(&< riteria is s,""i ient "or .o)o$on &s)ands to !a/e $et t!e e)i0i8i)it* riteria.

-N& 'er a'ita ;U.D<



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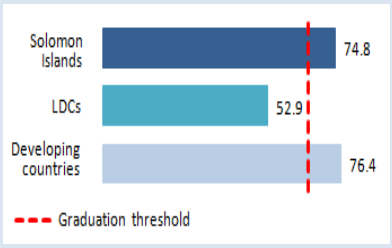

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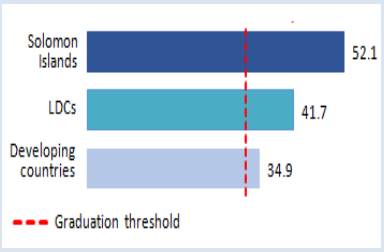

Data based on the 2018 triennial review

("ter t!e CDP re o$$ends 0rad,ation, EC3.3C endorses and t!e -enera) (sse$8)* takes note o" t!e re o$$endation. -rad,ation 8e o$es e""e ti/e t!ree *ears a"ter a tion 8* t!e -enera) (sse$8)* ;-(<. E% e'tiona))*, t!e -($a* de ide on a)on0er transition 'eriod.

*For information on the composition of the indexes, see !tt's=//www.,n.or0/de/e)o'$ent/desa/d'ad/)east-de/e)o'ed- o,ntr*- ate0or*/)d - riteria.!t$)

2. 7rade-re)ated s,''ort $eas,res

Prod, t or ser/i e

're"erentia) treat$ent to i$'orts "ro$ LDCs.[5] &n 2005, at t!e .i%t! Ministeria) Con"eren e in @on0 Son0, 973 e8ers o$$itted to ",rt!er i$'ro/in0 $arket a ess onditions "or LDCs, 'ro/idin0 d,t*-"ree, +,ota-"ree ;D?C?< $arket a ess.[6]

on/entions on !,$an and)a8o,r ri0!ts, en/iron$enta) 'rote tion and 0ood 0o/ernan e, it o,)d Eoin t!e .'e ia) (rran0e$ent "or .,staina8)e De/e)o'$ent and -ood -o/ernan e ;-.PF<, w!i ! 0rants 're"eren es additiona) to t!e -.P.> -.PF e8ers!i' is not 0,aranteed. ?or a)) o" .o)o$on &s)ands4 e%istin0 and 'otentia) e%'orts e% e't ri e ;1006< and /e0eta8)e oi) ake ;2106<, tari""s are Bero. 7!e $ost nota8)e 'otentia) tari"" in rease wo,)d 8e "or ri e, "ro$ 0O now to 26.5O ,nder -.P, a)t!o,0! ri e is not ,rrent)* e%'orted and is ,n)ike)* to 8e o$e a $aEor e%'ort 'rod, t 0i/en o$'etition "ro$ $ore o$'etiti/e (sian $arkets. ?is! 'rod, ts ;0102, 0101< wo,)d "a e an in rease in tari"" rate to 6.6O ,nder -.P a)t!o,0! wo,)d re$ain d,t*-"ree ,nder -.PF. Dried or s$oked "is! ;0105< wo,)d in ,r an in rease to 5.5O ,nder -.P 8,t wo,)d 8e d,t* "ree ,nder -.PF. &t is wort! notin0 in 'arti ,)ar ooked t,na)oins ;160:1:16<, w!i ! are indi/id,a))* on)* a /er* s$a)) 'ro'ortion o" e%'orts 8,t w!i ! are an i$'ortant o,t',t o" t!e nationa) do$esti "is!in0 ind,str* and w!i ! !a/e /a),e-addin0 and e$')o*$ent 8ene"its in Noro, 9estern Pro/in e. (",rt!er o'tion wo,)d 8e to ne0otiate an E ono$i Partners!i' (0ree$ent ;EP(< wit! t!e EU, an o,t o$e w!i !)ooked ,n)ike)* at t!e ti$e o" writin0.

- .o)o$on &s)ands !as 8ene"ited "ro$ t!e .o,t! Pa i"i #e0iona) 7rade and E ono$i Coo'eration (0ree$ent ;.P(#7EC(<, ,nder w!i ! (,stra)ia and New Dea)and 0rant d,t*-"ree, +,ota-"ree $arket a ess. 2etween 6O and 5O o" e%'orts went to (,stra)ia "ro$ 2005-2016 de'endin0 on t!e data so,r e, a)ar0e 'ro'ortion o" w!i ! was 0o)d "ro$ t!e now-)osed -o)d #id0e $ine. (s t!e nearest $aEor e%'ort $arket, it is +,ite 'ossi8)e t!at new ",t,re e%'orts wi)) 8e destined to (,stra)ia. .o)o$on &s)ands is a si0nator* o" t!e Pa i"i (0ree$ent on C)oser E ono$i #e)ations ;P(CE# P),s<, w!i ! a"ter its date o" entr* into "or e wi))

t!ro,0! t!e on t!e 8asis o" t!e a t,a) needs o" t!ese o,ntries as we)) as $,t,a) 8ene"itsH.[8]

- 7!e #e',8)i o" Sorea a o,nted "or 2O o" e%'orts ;$ost)*)o0s<. 7!e #e',8)i o" Sorea is t!e "o,rt!)ar0est $arket "or 'ro essed t,na, and it is 'ossi8)e t!at .o)o$on &s)ands o,)d e%'ort 'ro essed t,na to t!is destination, in w!i ! ase !i0!er tari""s o,)d 8e e%'e ted.
- Ma)a*sia, w!ere .o)o$on &s)ands sent 2O o" e%'orts, $ost)*)o0s, !as no D?C? s !e$e "or LDCs so no i$'a t is e%'e ted !ere.
- &ndia, to w!i ! .o)o$on &s)ands !as sent a s$a)) 'ro'ortion o" its e%'orts ;)o0s, sawn ti$8er and o'ra<, !as a D?C? s !e$e 8,t as o" No/e$8er 2015 .o)o$on &s)ands was not a 8ene"i iar*.
- Ta'an 0rants D?C? to LDCs. .o)o$on &s)ands wo,)d 8e e%'e ted to $o/e on to t!e -.P s !e$e, w!i ! wo,)d 'ri$ari)* a""e t)o0s, sawn ti$8er and "res!, dried and "roBen "is! ;0102, 0101 and 0105< as we)) as anned t,na ;160:<i" it was e%'orted to Ta'an. (/era0e tari""s on 'ro essed "is! ;@. 010:<wo,)d rise "ro$ 1.5 'er ent to :.5 'er ent. 9it!in t!at !eadin0, tari""s "or t,na wo,)d in rease "ro$ 0 'er ent ,nder t!e LDC 're"eren es to 1.5 'er ent ,nder M?N ;"is! 'rod, ts 8ein0 0enera))* e%),ded "ro$ t!e re0,)ar -.P 'ro0ra$ o" Ta'an<. 2ased on 're/io,s 0rad,ation ases, tari"" in reases wi)) 8e o$e e""e ti/e s!ort)* a"ter 0rad,ation.
- &n .witBer)and .o)o$on &s)ands wo,)d a ede to t!e -.P[5]

Loss o" entit)e$ent to 're"erentia) arran0e$ents is on)* re)e/ant to t!e e%tent t!at t!e di""eren e 8etween t!e 're"erentia) and de"a,)t tari""s si0ni"i ant)* a""e t t!e 'rod, ts a o,ntr* e%'orts or an reasona8)* e%'e t to e%'ort in t!e "oreseea8)e ",t,re. 7!e i$'a ts o" t!e !an0es in t!e EU re0i$e a"ter 0rad,ation "or .o)o$on &s)ands4 e%'orts, onsiderin0 ,rrent and 'otentia) e%'ort 'rod, ts, are s,$$ariBed in t!e ta8)e 8e)ow.

Prod, t	-.P	-.PF
?is! ;0102, 0101<	0/6.6	0/0
?is! ;0105<	0/5.5	0/0
Co'ra ;1201<	0/0	0/0
Pa)$ oi) ;1511<	0/2.1	0/0
Co on,t oi) ;1511<	0/:.1	0/0
Co oa 8eans ;1801<	0/0	0/0
Lo0s and ti$8er ;::01<	0/0	0/0
Lo0s and ti$8er ;::0><	0/0	0/0
-o)d ;>108<	0/0	0/0
Co""ee ;0501<	0/1.1	0/0
#i e ;1006<	0/26.5	0/0
.eaweed ;1212<		

?is ! $ ea) ;2101<

Most 'otentia)",t,re and e%istin0 reso,r e e%'orts, s, ! as 8a,%ite, o8a)t, a),$ini,$, ni ke), 0o)d and o''er, "a e Bero tari""s in $aEor destination $arkets.

Pre"erentia) $arket a ess 6 7rade in ser/i es

&n 2011, 973 e8ers ado'ted a de ision on 're"erentia) treat$ent to ser/i es and ser/i es s,'')iers o" LDCs. 7!e de ision e%e$'ts 973 e8ers "ro$ t!e o8)i0ation o" treatin0 a)) e8ers e+,a))* and a))ows t!e$ to 0rant $arket a ess 're"eren es in

wi)) 8e rea)iBed and 8e o$e $eas,ra8)e on)* w!en t!e ser/i e wai/er is o$')e$ented 8* ade+,ate s,'')* a'a it* de/e)o'$ent and 8etter tar0eted aid "or trade s,''ort.

2.1 38)i0ations "ro$ 973 and ot!er tradin0 a0ree$ents

.o)o$on &s)ands !as 8een a e8er o" t!e 973 sin e 1

!ow t!e i$ ')e$entation s !ed,)e t!at .o)o$on &s)ands !ad noti"ied "or ea ! 7?('ro/ision wo,)d !an0e. 7!e iss,e wi)) 8e deter$ined on a ase-8*- ase 8asis at t!e $eetin0 o" 7?(8oard e8ers.[18]

(0ree$ent on 7rade #e)ated (s'e ts o" &nte))e t,a) Pro'ert*

wit! a /iew to de/e)o'in0 and i$ ')e$entin0 an &P strate0* t!ro,0! t!e 9&P3 ?,nds-in-7r,st Pro0ra$ $e= De/e)o' $ent o" &nte))e t,a) Pro'ert* .*ste$s "ro$ 2012 to 2015.

7e !ni a) assistan e ,nder (rti)e 6> o,)d !e)' $iti0ate t!e dire t osts asso iated wit! t!e 7#&P. i$ ')e$entation. .o)o$on &s)ands $a* wis! "o))ow 2an0)ades!4s e%a$ ')e 8* s,8$ittin0 t!eir 'riorit* needs "or te !ni a) and "

2e***ond t**!**e E&**?**, to**'** **(**id "or **7**rade donors to **.**o)o**$**on &s)ands in 201**1** were New **D**ea)and, **(**,stra)ia, **(**sian De**/**e)o**'** **$**ent **2**ank **.**'e ia) **?**,nds, and t**!**e &nternationa) De**/**e)o**'** **$**ent **(**sso iation **;**&D**(**< o" t**!**e **9**or)d **2**ank **-**ro**,'**. **(**s noted a**8**o**/**e, oo**'**eration to **.**o)o**$**on &s)ands "ro**$** t**!**ese so**,**r es does not de**'**end on LDC stat**,**s.

2006/08			201**1**		
Donor	Ma),e	Per enta**0** e	Donors	Ma),e	Per enta**0** e
Ta**'**an	**5.>**	6**1**	New **D**ea)and	1**:**.1	**11**
New **D**ea)and	**:**.0	26	**(**,stra)ia	**11.:**	**1**1
(,stra)ia	1.0	6	**(**sD**2 .'**e ia)**?**,nds	**5.1**	22
EU &nstit,tions	0.6	**:**	&D**(**	**1**.0	**>**

201>, w!ose)ar0est ",nder was (,stra)ia 8,t w!i ! was se'arate to 8i)atera) (,stra)ian aid.

7!ere is no onso)idated so,r e o" in"or$ation on 3D(")ows "ro$ non-3ECD o,ntries

M,)ti)atera) ")ows

7raditiona))* t!e EU !as **8**een t!e $ain $,)ti)atera) donor, "o ,sin**0** on r,ra) de/e)o'$ent and a'a it* **8**,i)din**0**, t!e en/iron$ent, @&M/(ids and **0**ender iss,es. (s **?**i**0**,re : **8**e)ow s!ows, !owe/er, $,)ti)atera) aid "ro$ t!is so,r e de)ined a)on**0** wit! ot!er ")ows **8**etween 2006 and 200**5**. M,)ti)atera) "inan in**0** in")ows were at t!eir 'eak in 2010, $ain)* dri/en **8*** an in rease in EU "inan in**0**, "o))owin**0** w!i ! t!e* a**0**ain de)ined, a)t!o,**0**! re$ainin**0** at a)e/e) !i**0**!er t!an in 200**5**. (sian De/e)o'$ent **2**ank and **9**or)d **2**ank -ro,' &nternationa) De/e)o'$ent (sso iation ;&D(<)oans "or$ed an in reasin**0** s!are "ro$ 2011 onwards, asso iated wit! $a£or in"rastr, t,re 'ro£e ts on -,ada) ana).

.o,r e= **3**ECD.tat, **8**ased on tota) net **3**D(

?i**0**,re 5 s!ows t!at t!e UN De/e)o'$ent Pro**0**ra$$e ;UNDP< !as sin e 200**5** **8**een t!e **8**i**00**est so,r e o" UN ",ndin**0**, a)t!o,**0**! in 2012 and 201**1** t!e &nternationa) **?**,nd "or (**0**ri ,)t,ra) De/e)o'$ent ;&?(D< ontri**8**,ted)ar**0**e s,$s. **7**!e **9**or)d @ea)t! **3**r**0**anisation !as a)so **8**een a si**0**ni"i ant so,r e o" UN assistan e sin e 2011. UN ",ndin**0** !as de)ined o/era)) o/er t!e 'ast "o,r *ears, !owe/er, sin e its 'eak in 2012.

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