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**Item No. 8(b) on the agenda: Principles and rules capable of enhancing trading in securities on emerging markets**

(memorandum prepared by the Secretariat)

<i>Summary</i>	<i>Progress report</i>
<i>Action to be taken</i>	<i>See § 3</i>
<i>Related document</i>	<i>UNIDROIT 2005 C.D. (84) 19 rev. 2</i>

<b>Priority</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	high	medium	low

**I. Strategic Plan**

Yes, because criteria set forth in Strategic Objectives Nos. 1 and 7 are satisfied.

**II. Work Programme 2006-2008**

Yes.

**III. Current assessment**

- Recent feedback from Governments and intergovernmental Organisations:

**high** (Chile, Colombia, Pakistan, various Asian-Pacific non-Member States, World Bank, IMF).

- Recent feedback from legal profession and industry:

**high** (law firms, EMTA)

<b>Staffing implications</b>	Not yet.
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<b>Budget implications</b>	Not yet.
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## **BACKGROUND**

1. At its 84<sup>th</sup> session, the Council briefly discussed a list of topics which may usefully be included in this project once the necessary resources in terms of staff capacity, time, and funding are available. The Council furthermore received the Secretariat's report on envisaged working methods (decentralised Study Groups) and type of instrument (legislative guide). The Council finally accorded priority status to the project, subject to the availability of resources.

2. The Secretariat continues to discuss the project with Governments (in particular in developing countries and transition economies), intergovernmental Organisations, and private stakeholders without, however, devoting resources especially to this item. The World Bank, the International Monetary Fund, UNCITRAL and The Hague Conference on Private International Law expressed their keen interest to remain involved in the development of the project. The same applies for industry associations and the legal profession.

## **ACTION TO BE TAKEN**

7. *The Secretariat requests that the Council confirm, in principle, the priority status of this project on the understanding, however, that resources can be devoted to this item only at such time as additional staff and/or funding is available or the draft Convention on intermediated securities will have been dispensed with.*