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Dear Colleague,

We wish to inform you of changes to the agenda for the **Workshop on Capacity Building on Environment, Trade, and Development**, which was originally scheduled for July 15 and July 16, 2002, in Washington, D.C. In order to focus attention on preparation for the World Summit on Sustainable Development, we have decided to consolidate activities onto one day and limit the number of keynote speakers. The new agenda is attached.

The workshop will be held on **Tuesday, July 16, 2002**, in **Room B-354** of the **Rayburn House Office Building**. U.S. Undersecretary of Commerce for International Trade Grant Aldonas and Congressman J.C. Watts (R-Okla.) will make introductory remarks beginning at 8:30 a.m., and the rest of the day will be devoted to discussions of capacity building programs from country, regional, and donor perspectives. WTO Director-General-Designate Supachai Panitchpakdi, UNCTAD Secretary-General Rubens Ricupero, and UNEP Executive Director Klaus Töpfer will not speak, as originally planned. Instead they will make remarks at a joint UNEP-UNCTAD event on September 3 in conjunction with the World Summit on Sustainable Development, where they will comment on the outcomes of the North American workshop and others held throughout the world.

In order to best prepare for the WSSD, we felt it most appropriate to focus this workshop on technical discussions of capacity building programs and how they might be expanded and improved. We hope that you will join us for this important meeting. **To RSVP, please contact Maria Carlo by telephone at (202) 939-2306 or by e-mail at marcarlo@ceip.org.**

Sincerely,

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