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## STATEMENT

MEETING BETWEEN THE FOREIGN MINISTERS OF THE GROUP OF EIGHT INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES (G8), THE DELEGATION OF THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT (NAM) TROIKA, AND THE GROUP OF 77, HELD IN MIYAZAKI, JAPAN, 13 JULY 2000

The Foreign Ministers of the Group of Eight Industrialized Countries (G8) met the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) delegation consisting of the Troika of the NAM, South Africa (Foreign Minister), Bangladesh (Foreign Minister) and Columbia (Vice President), Foreign Minister of Nigeria, Chairperson of the Group 77, and Foreign Minister of Thailand, the President of UNCTAD X and the Chair of ASEAN in Miyazaki, Japan, on 13 July 2000.

This meeting addressed important global issues and confirmed the importance of dialogue between the developed and developing countries in jointly responding to the challenges of the new millennium.

The Ministers exchanged views on globalization and its challenges. Under this theme, NAM/G77 visiting ministers raised issues such as, partnership for development and poverty eradication, information and communication technology and digital divide, conflict prevention, and maintenance of international peace and stability.

In the meeting, the NAM delegation conveyed a written message on the above issues from South African President Thabo Mbeki, the Chair of the NAM, to Japan's Prime Minister Yoshiro Mori, President of the G8.

Senior officials of the NAM delegation had a preparatory meeting with Japanese officials in charge of the G8 Foreign Ministers meeting, on July 10 in Tokyo.