- o A decision should be made before September to enable the UN to play a greater role on trade issues.
- World leaders should address trade imbalances by removing barriers to free trade, including unlimited access of products of LDCs, trade preferences, and withdrawal of production subsidies, and commodities. Africa needs to remain a priority.
- o "Quick-win" initiatives should be launched,
- Some concern was expressed that the achievement of MDGs in middle-income countries should not be taken for granted. Strategies should be developed before September to address pockets of poverty in these countries.
- One or two SIDS should be included among "fast track" countries.
- o Innovative financing is needed to complement ODA commitments. The summit needs to adopt new sources of financing

- agencies need to operate more effectively and in a more coordinated manner with more stable financing.
- The Summit needs to adopt a strong commitment to national ownership of development strategies – actions need to be coordinated with sector specific strategies and need to support long-term development. National strategies also need to be more ambitious, reflect local conditions and go beyond the MDG targets if appropriate.
- The September summit should pay special attention to the needs of the least developed countries. Least developed countries, however, also need to work toward good governance and address corruption in a firm and transparent manner.