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the unassailable linkages between the various financing

especially among the youth, as well as eradicate poverty in all its forms.

8. The adverse effects of the financial and economic meltdown on development still linger on as recovery has generally been slow and uncertain, particularly in the developing world. Consequently,

financial resources; trade as well as technical cooperation for development.

12. While its contribution to Africa's economic growth in the past is acknowledged, currently Official Development Assistance (ODA) has become a 'fragile' funding source. The inclination of African countries is to turn to more reliable revenue sources such as domestic resource mobilization through taxes, pension funds,

17. Careful examination of how previous commitments surrounding the mainstreaming of the Vienna Programme of Action for Landlocked Developing Countries (LLDCs) and the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries (LDCs) into the global frameworks should be given due attention as not much progress has been made since adoption of the Monterrey Consensus, to improve their situation. In this connection, we call upon the United Nations and its Regional Commissions and other development partners to provide these

countries should be supported in the negotiation of international trade agreements and trade finance. It is also important that Governments should be proactive in making the policy

