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especially for developing countries and LDCs in particular.

At this critical juncture of the WTO, IFD, proposed by developing members, is one of the few positive agenda items with relatively promising prospects. Till now, 98 members co-sponsored a new Joint Ministerial Statement to show support for this initiative, aiming to achieve a concrete outcome at MC12. It is not surprising that, those co-sponsors include more than 20 LDCs, a dozen small and vulnerable economies (SVEs), and 12 articles XII members, which demonstrates that developing countries and small economies could and should play a positive role in the international JTJETQ.3716To