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**Statement of the United Arab Emirates by
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**Your Excellency, Dr. Amina Mohammad, chairperson of the
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Your Excellency, Director General of the WTO

Excellencies, Ministers and Heads of Delegations;

Allow me at the outset, on behalf of my government, to thank the gracious people and government of The Republic of Kenya for hosting this very important ministerial conference. The hospitable

Madame Chairperson, ladies and gentlemen,

Bali declaration has carried elements of a looking forward program with political and technical guidance. We have agreed to remain committed

The United Arab Emirates welcomes the adoption of the various decisions and recommendations before the ministerial conference on issues related to negotiations and ordinary work of WTO.

Madame Chairperson, ladies and gentlemen,

In preparation to the Ministerial conference, a regional ministerial meeting for The Arab Group was held and it was clearly agreed amongst the group that Arab Countries, members and observers are committed to the Multilateral Trading System (MTS) rules and the Doha Development Agenda (DDA).

The UAE associates itself fully to the communique which includes; that the accession process to the WTO should be streamlined, facilitated and expedited with fair conditions, the need for the revision of the guidelines of Intergovernmental Organizations as observers and to seriously consider adding the Arabic Language in the WTO as a working language. In addition to that, while welcoming the participation of Palestine in this ministerial conference, we call on members to seriously consider the observer-ship status requested by Palestine to the WTO.

In this regard, The UAE believes that new accessions to the organization are marks of confirmation to the universality of this organization and we would like to congratulate the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan and the Republic of Liberia for finalizing their accession negotiation to the organization.

