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| Madam Chairperson, | |
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Small and Vulnerable Economies "SVE" flexibilities, LDCs package including Duty-Free Quota-Free "DFQF" market access, preferential rules of origin, services waiver, Aid for Trade and cotton.

We are equally pleased to note that our

regional and intra-regional free trade areas and economic integration partnerships, as well as several pluri-lateral agreements.

Moreover, the WTO's role in the world trade governance, trade monitoring, trade policy reviewing, and dispute settlements has also been respected and acclaimed at all its membership levels, small and major countries alike. Such role has been so vital for containing the severe repercussions of the acute world financial and economic crises.

The successful launch of the DDA in 2001, with its ambitious objectives for international trade in general, and for developing countries and LDCs in particular has culminated in the successful conclusion of the Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA) in Bali, and in formulating the pressing needs of the developing countries and LDCs.

We are

In this regard, Madame Chairperson,