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Let me, on behalf of the Nigerian delegation to the Tenth Ministerial Conference, join other speakers before me to congratulate you Madam Chairperson, on your election as the Chair of the Tenth Ministerial Conference. Please accept the appreciation of the Government of Nigeria for your hard work in the preparatory process for this first WTO Ministerial Conference to be held on African soil.

I also pay special tribute to H.E. Mr. Roberto Azevedo, Director-General of the WTO and, Ambassador Fernando DE MATEO, the Chairman of the General Council. I thank them for their effective leadership role in the Geneva process, as well as for evolving the agenda placed before us for consideration.

The Nigerian delegation has been overwhelmed by the warm hospitality extended to us since our arrival by the Government and

of its importance to the economies of many countries, particularly in Africa.

In conclusion, Nigeria considers this Ministerial Conference to be extremely important.