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## PREPARATIONS FOR THE FOURTH SESSION OF THE MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE

Draft Ministerial Declaration dated 27 October 2001  
Drafting Suggestions by India

*Communication from India*

The following communication, dated 2 November 2001, has been received from the

Para 4: Add the phrase “as envisaged in Article III.2 of the Marrakesh Agreement” after the word “liberalisation”. Replace the word “unique” by the word “important”. Also replace the word “liberalisation” by the words “trade liberalisation”. Also add the phrase “within the framework of multilateral trading system” at the end of the sentence.

Para 6: Delete the sentence starting with the words “We recognise the right...”. Add the word “equitable” after the word “open” in the 2<sup>nd</sup> sentence.

Para 8: Delete the whole para. (Already covered by India’s statement.)

Para 10: Delete the phrase “and improved dialogue with public”.

Para 11: Delete words “broad and balanced” as well as “expanded”.

Para 12: (Already covered by India’s statement.)

Para 16: Delete the words “high tariffs” and phrase “or as appropriate eliminate” from the first sentence and prefix “bound” before the word “tariffs”. The phrase “as well as non-tariff barriers” should be shifted immediately after the words “tariff escalation” and before the phrase “in particular...”. Delete the words “comprehensive and” from the 2<sup>nd</sup> sentence.

Para 18&19: (Already covered by India’s statement.)

Para 20: To be replaced by the following:

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