



It is also important for Mexico that the outcome of the WTO's Fourth Ministerial Conference should be a strengthened multilateral trading system, not only as a negotiating mechanism to achieve greater market access but also as a forum that continues to defend the rules of international trade and to settle any disputes that arise. In particular, for Mexico it is essential that the new round should lead to a more rational Anti-Dumping Agreement that is less susceptible to abuse, for example, by incorporating economic competition criteria in the application of anti-dumping measures.

Other matters relating to trade rules concern the possible negotiation of investment and