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On agriculture, Korea has serious concerns about the draft as it stands now. Korea has been faithfully implementing the Uruguay Agreement and is committed to worldwide efforts for agricultural reform. However, I want to highlight the fact that in many countries, agricultural liberalization sits on serious political sensitivities and important non-trade concerns. This reality has to be fully accounted for, here and in the future. We must not set out with a predetermined outcome for negotiations on this issue. Also, agricultural liberalization and reform require adjustment and need to take place over a period of time and at a sustained pace.

Next, we need to recognize that some of the WTO rules call for careful consideration of the experience for the past few years since the launch of the WTO. Of particular importance are ambiguous rules that have allowed erosion of market access commitments. Anti-dumping rules are