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It is a great privilege for me and my delegation to participate in this Second Ministerial Conference as a full Member of the World Trade Organization. This forum is even more significant for us by being held in a parallel with a high profile Commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the Multilateral Trading System, the historic event, which highlights the success of the system over the past half of the century and reaffirms the trade liberalization mandate of the WTO.

On behalf of the Government of Mongolia I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the Swiss authorities as well as to Director-General Mr. Renato Ruggiero and his dedicated staff for their enormous efforts and great amount of preparatory work they have carried out to ensure the excellent conditions for the work of the Conference.

I offer my congratulations to H.E. Mr. Pascal Couchepin on his election to the Chair of the Session and wish him every success.

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