



**Ministerial Conference
Ninth Session
Bali, 3-6 December 2013**

BALI MINISTERIAL DECLARATION

ADOPTED ON 7 DECEMBER 2013

1.1. We, the Ministers, have met in Bali, Indonesia, from 3 to 6 December 2013 at our Ninth Session. As we conclude our Session, we would like to express our deep appreciation to the Government and people of Indonesia for the excellent organization and the warm hospitality we have received in Bali.

1.2. We reaffirm the principles and objectives set out in the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing

1.7. We welcome those new Members who have completed their accession processes since our last Session. In particular, we note with satisfaction that, at our present Session, we have adopted the Decision on the Accession of the Republic of Yemen (WT/MIN(13)/24- WT/L/905). We recognize the contribution of accession to strengthening the multilateral trading system and remain committed to efforts to facilitate accessions.

PART II – DOHA DEVELOPMENT AGENDA

1.8. We welcome the progress in the DDA, which is embodied in the following Decisions and Declarations we have adopted at our Ninth Session:

Trade Facilitation

- Agreement on Trade Facilitation – Ministerial Decision – WT/MIN(13)/36 - WT/L/911

In this regard, we reaffirm that the non-discrimination principle of Article V of GATT 1994 remains valid.

Agriculture

- General Services – Ministerial Decision – WT/MIN(13)/37 - WT/L/912
- Public Stockholding for Food Security Purposes – Ministerial Decision – WT/MIN(13)/38 - WT/L/913
- Understanding on Tariff Rate Quota Administration Provisions of Agricultural Products, as Defined in Article 2 of the Agreement on Agriculture – Ministerial Decision – WT/MIN(13)/39 - WT/L/914
- Export Competition – Ministerial Declaration – WT/MIN(13)/40 - WT/L/915

Cotton

- Cotton – Ministerial Decision – WT/MIN(13)/41 - WT/L/916

Development and LDC issues

- Preferential Rules of Origin for Least-Developed Countries – Ministerial Decision – WT/MIN(13)/42 - WT/L/917
- Operationalization of the Waiver Concerning Preferential Treatment to Services and Service Suppliers of Least-Developed Countries – Ministerial Decision – WT/MIN(13)/43 - WT/L/918
- Duty-Free and Quota-Free (DFQF) Market Access for Least-Developed Countries –

1.11. To further demonstrate this commitment, we instruct the Trade Negotiations Committee to prepare within the next 12 months a clearly defined work program on the remaining Doha Development Agenda issues. This will build on the decisions taken at this Ministerial Conference, particularly on agriculture, development and LDC issues, as well as all other issues under the Doha mandate that are central to concluding the Round. Issues in the Bali Package where legally binding outcomes could not be achieved will be prioritised. Work on issues in the package that have not been fully addressed at this Conference will resume in the relevant Committees or Negotiating Groups of the WTO.

1.12. The work program will be developed in a way that is consistent with the guidance we provided at the Eighth Ministerial Conference, including the need to look at ways that may allow Members to overcome the most critical and fundamental stumbling blocks.