

Statement by H.E. Dr. Ali Al-Sunaidy
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At the 9th Ministerial Conference on the Occasion of
Accession of the Republic of Yemen to the WTO

Thank you Mr. Chairman, Director General,

Excellencies, Distinguished delegates, ladies and gentlemen,

It is a great pleasure that I take the floor to welcome the accession of the Republic of Yemen to the World Trade Organization.

Yemen is a brotherly and neighboring country with which the sultanate of Oman has deep rooted relations. The accession of Yemen is yet another step towards making the WTO a universal organization.

Yemen's Accession will integrate the country into the world economy. It will benefit not only Yemen but all WTO members.

The Sultanate of Oman warmly welcomes the Republic of Yemen to the membership of the WTO. We look forward to continue working very closely with Yemen to promote trade and economic interests in this forum.

We offer our heartiest congratulations to His Excellency Dr. Saad eddin Talib, the Minister of Commerce and Industry and members of his esteemed delegation on this occasion.

Before I conclude, I would like to associate my delegation with the statement made by Egypt on behalf of the Arab Group.

Thank you Mr. chairman