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AGREEMENT ON TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE

Corrigendum*

Report by the Chairman of the Informal Negotiating Group on Technical Barriers to Trade

- 1. Following intensive discussions and work based on proposals by various participants, I submit, upon my own responsibility, the draft text on Technical Barriers to Trade. This text represents a significant improvement, clarification and expansion of the Agreement.
- 2. The text does not prejudice the negotiating position of any participant nor the final form of the Agreement.
- 3. The text in **bold** type represents the areas of broad convergence without prejudging its final acceptance by any participant. However, it is necessary to note that, while there is a large majority supporting these issues, sometimes with different views, at least one delegation has opposed the inclusion of a Code of Good Practice for the preparation, adoption and application of standards, and one other delegation has reserved its position on the extension of the Agreement to Processes and Production Methods. The text appearing in normal type represents areas where there are divergences, sometimes fundamental, or where further work is needed.
- 4. Participants are, of course, free to submit further proposals, suggestions and amendments to the draft.
- 5. The draft text is attached.

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