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Ministerial Conference Tenth Session Nairobi, 15-18 December 2015

SPECIAL SAFEGUARD MECHANISM FOR DEVELOPING COUNTRY MEMBERS

DRAFT MINISTERIAL DECISION OF 19 DECEMBER 2015

The Ministerial Conference,

Having regard to paragraph 1 of Article IX of the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization;

In the context of addressing outstanding agricultural issues; and

Taking note of the proposals made by Members in this regard;

Decides as follows:

- 1. The developing country Members will have the right to have recourse to a special safeguard mechanism (SSM) as envisaged under paragraph 7 of the Hong Kong Ministerial Declaration.
- 2. To pursue negotiations on an SSM for developing country Members in dedicated sessions of the Committee on Agriculture in Special Session ("CoA SS").
- 3. The General Council shall regularly review progress in these negotiations