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NEGOTIATING GROUP ON RULES – FISHERIES SUBSIDIES

FISHERIES SUBSIDIES WORKSHOP – OVERVIEW OF KEY DISCIPLINES IN THE AGREEMENT AND EVOLUTION OF THE OVERCAPACITY AND OVERFISHING DISCIPLINES

CHANGE OF DATE

23 November 2022, 09:30 – 13:00, Room S1

Dear colleagues,

As you are aware, Members met at an informal retreat on fisheries subsidies negotiations in Evian-les-Bains on 10 October 2022 to brainstorm on the "second wave" negotiations on fisheries subsidies.

A concrete first step on which there was wide convergence is to engage in knowledge building in the form of technical workshops with a view to better inform the negotiations. Against this background, the WTO Secretariat will organize two such workshops:

- the first workshop on 23 November 2022 will focus on the evolution of the overcapacity and overfishing disciplines. **A provisional agenda of this workshop is attached below.** Please note that [Interprefy and interpretation will be available](#); and
- the second workshop will be organized in late January 2023 focused on data concerning the state of marine fisheries and state of subsidies to such fishing. The details for this workshop will follow in due course.

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Provisional Agenda

09:30 – 09:45	Moderator <i>Sainabou Taal, Acting Head, Fisheries Subsidies</i> Opening remarks <i>Angela Paolini Ellard, Deputy Director General, WTO</i>
09:45 – 11:15	Session 1: Implementing the Agreement on Fisheries Subsidies: The WTO Secretariat will present an overview of the main disciplines. Other panellists would provide reflections on the operation and implementation of the disciplines: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Strahinja Ivanovic, Fisheries Expert, WTO – Overview of the Agreement</i>• <i>Piero Mannini, Senior Liaison Officer and Secretary of the Regional Fishery Body Secretariat's Network, FAO</i>• <i>Elizabeth Young, Director, Goods and Remedies, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Australia</i>• <i>Christian Vidal-León, Counsel, Advisory Centre for WTO Law</i>
11:15 – 11:30	Break
11:30 – 12:55	Session 2: Evolution of the overcapacity and overfishing disciplines: Road to 12 th Ministerial Conference and the Ministerial decision to adopt further disciplines on certain forms of fisheries subsidies that contribute to overcapacity and overfishing: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Clarisse Morgan, Director, Rules Division</i>• <i>Santiago Wills, Director, CTNC Division, Former Chair of NGR 2019-2022</i>
12:55 – 13:00	Closing remarks <i>Angela Paolini Ellard, Deputy Director General, WTO</i>