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TRIPS NON-VIOLATION AND SITUATION COMPLAINTS

DRAFT DECISION

The Chair of the Council for TRIPS circulates the below draft decision as a basis for consideration for Members, in the event they wish to extend the moratorium on TRIPS non-violation and situation complaints. This draft decision is closely based on the text of the 2022 extension decision in document $\frac{WT/L/1137}{T}$.

The Ministerial Conference decides as follows:

We take note of the work done by the Council for Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights pursuant to our Decision of 17 June 2022 on "TRIPS Non-Violation and Situation Complaints" (document WT/L/1137), and direct it to continue its examination of the scope and modalities for complaints of the types provided for under subparagraphs 1(b) and 1(c) of Article XXIII of GATT 1994 and make recommendations to the 14th Ministerial Conference. It is agreed that, in the meantime, Members will not initiate such complaints under the TRIPS Agreement.