



**Council for Trade-Related Aspects of
Intellectual Property Rights
Special Session**

MINUTES OF MEETING

HELD IN THE CENTRE WILLIAM RAPPARD
ON 20 NOVEMBER 2013

Chairman: Ambassador Alfredo Suescum (Panama)

1 CONFIRMATION OF CHAIRMAN-DESIGNATE AS CHAIRMAN OF THE TRIPS SPECIAL SESSION

1.1. The Chairman-designate recalled that in a fax dated 18 November 2013 the Chairman of the General Council had informed Members of his consultations on the appointment of a new Chairman of the Special Session of the Council for TRIPS. As a result of his consultations he had proposed that Members appoint him as Chairman *ad interim* of the Special Session of the Council for TRIPS, it being understood that consultations and a separate decision on a permanent appointment to this position were to take place early in 2014.

1.2. He said that in view of that proposition this meeting had been called at short notice with the sole purpose of formalizing this proposal.

1.3. The Special Session confirmed the appointment of Ambassador Alfredo Suescum of Panama as Chairman *ad interim*.

1.4. The Chairman thanked Members for their confidence.
