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**General Council  
8-9 May 2018**

**WTO PENSION PLAN MANAGEMENT BOARD  
ELECTION OF A MEMBER AND AN ALTERNATE**

**PROPOSAL BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL**

1. Article 4 of the Regulations of the WTO Pension Plan (WT/L/282) provides for the establishment of a Management Board comprising, *inter alia*, a Chairman, four members and four alternates elected by the General Council, each for a period of three years.

2. The Management Board is currently composed of the following persons elected by the General Council:

Chairman: Mr Robert Prochazka (Austria)

Members: Ms. Alicia Goujon (Mexico)  
Ms. Claudia Hernández Vetsch (Dominican Republic)  
Mr Christopher Wilson (United States)  
Vacant

Alternates: Mr Faisal Al-Nabhani (Oman)  
Mr Jean-Marc van Dril (Switzerland)  
Mr Rodolfo Rivas (Israel)  
Mr Ian Medcalf (Canada)

3. Two vacancies on the WTO Pension Plan (WTOPP) Management Board have been announced, in order to fill the currently vacant position and in anticipation of Mr Ian Medcalf's forthcoming resignation from his position as an alternate. Election would be for the remainder of the current three-year term and subject to renewal in 2020.

4. On 5 April 2018 an email was sent to Heads of Delegation to invite Members to communicate expressions of interest in serving on the Management Board by no later than noon on Monday 16 April 2018. An overview of the role, including a description of the desired characteristics and the commitment involved, was enclosed.

5. Mr Robert Prochazka, Chairman of the WTO Pension Plan (WTOPP) Management Board has been consulting since 16 April with those individuals who expressed interest in serving on the Board. On 25 April, he announced that the two following candidates were identified, which matches the number of available slots:

Ms. Paula Chiung-Fang Hsu (Chinese Taipei)  
Ms. Darija Sinjeri (Croatia)

6. As announced in the same communication, an additional opportunity for consultations with the Chairman of the WTOPP is provided on 27 April 2018. Based on this process, my intention would be to propose the above names for election to the Management Board at the General Council meeting on 8 May 2018. I would invite Members still wishing to submit comments they might have regarding the proposed nominations to me by close-of-business on 2 May 2018.