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**General Council
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**WTO PENSION PLAN MANAGEMENT BOARD
ELECTION OF A MEMBER**

PROPOSAL BY THE CHAIR OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL

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

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. Darija Sinjeri (Croatia)
Ms. Kelly K. Milton (United States)
Vacant

Alternates: Mr. Faisal Al Nabhani (Oman)
Mr. Jean-Marc van Dril (Switzerland)
Mr. Rodolfo Rivas (Israel)
Ms. Paula Chiung-Fang Hsu (Chinese Taipei)

3. One vacancy in the WTO Pension Plan (WTOPP) Management Board has been announced due to the fact that Ms. Claudia Hernández has left her post in Geneva and is therefore no longer available to serve as Member on the Management Board. Election would be for the remainder of the current three-year term and subject to renewal in 2020.

4. On 17 September 2019 a communication was sent to all delegations with an invitation to communicate any expression of interest in serving on the Management Board by no later than Friday 27 September 2019. 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 WTOPP Management Board has been consulting since 27 September with those individuals who expressed interest in serving on the Board. As a result of these consultations, a further communication was sent to all delegations on 9 October 2019, in which it was announced that the following representative had agreed to have his name put forward for election as a Member:

Mr. Rob Cook (United Kingdom)

6. As also announced in the same communication, an additional opportunity for consultations with the Chairman of the WTOPP was provided on 17 October 2019. Based on this process, my intention would be to propose the above name for election to the Management Board at the General Council meeting on 9-11 December 2019. I would invite those Members still wishing to do so, to submit any comments they might have regarding the proposed nomination to me by close-of business on 25 November 2019.