



**Ministerial Conference
Ninth Session
Bali, 3-6 December 2013**

TRADE AND TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY

MINISTERIAL DECISION OF 7 DECEMBER 2013

The Ministerial Conference *decides* as follows:

Pursuant to the mandate contained in paragraph 37 of the Doha Ministerial Declaration, and subsequent affirmation, in paragraph 43, by Ministers in the Hong Kong Declaration, Members have examined the relationship between trade and transfer of technology and have also considered possible recommendations on steps that might be made within the mandate of the WTO to increase flows of technology to developing countries.

The ongoing work, on the basis of submissions by Members and contributions by various intergovernmental organizations has covered a number of issues and has helped to enhance Members' understanding of the complex issues that encompass the nexus between trade and transfer of technology.

Although progress has been made, more work remains to be done. In view of this, we direct that the Working Group should continue its work in order to fully achieve the mandate of the Doha Ministerial Declaration.
