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PREFACE

The Ministerial Conference is the highest-level decision-making body of the WTO, and usually meets every two years. In the intervals between meetings of the Ministerial Conference, its functions are conducted by the General Council.

Part I of this publication covers the twelve sessions of the WTO Ministerial Conference held between 1996 (Singapore) and 2022 (Geneva, co-hosted by Kazakhstan) and reproduces a selection of key outcome documents, such as Ministerial Decisions and Declarations and relevant Chairpersons’ statements as they were issued. Other documents, such as WTO accession packages, summary records and Members’ submissions, are not reproduced. Related decisions and other actions taken by the General Council in the intervals between meetings of the Ministerial Conference are also not reproduced.

Part II of this publication reproduces the Ministerial outcomes of the Uruguay Round adopted in connection with the establishment of the WTO.

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