
**Committee on Agriculture
Special Session**

SIXTH SPECIAL SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

Report by the Chairman, Ambassador Jorge Voto-Bernales, to the General Council

1. The Special Session of the Committee on Agriculture, which was established by the General Council to conduct the negotiations for continuing the reform process under Article 20 of the Agreement on Agriculture (WT/GC/M/53, paragraph 39 refers), held its sixth meeting on 22-23 March 2001.
2. The agenda as set out in WTO/AIR/1502 was adopted.
3. The following new or additional proposals for continuing the reform process were presented and/or examined at the meeting: (i) a proposal by India on "Negotiations on WTO Agreement on Agriculture" (NG/W/102); (ii) a proposal by Norway on "WTO Agriculture Negotiations" (NG/W/101); (iii) a proposal by Poland on "WTO Negotiations for Continuation of the Reform Process in the Agricultural Sector" (NG/W/103); (iv) a proposal by MERCOSUR, Chile, Colombia and Bolivia on "State Trading Enterprises" (NG/W/104 and Corr.1); (v) "Proposal by Morocco" (NG/W/105); (vi) a proposal by Turkey on "WTO Agriculture Negotiations" (NG/W/106 and Corr.1); (vii) "Comprehensive Proposal by the Arab Republic of Egypt to the WTO Negotiations on Agriculture" (NG/W/107/Rev.1); (viii) "Malian Proposals for the Future Negotiations on Agriculture" (NG/W/99); (ix) "WTO Negotiations on Agriculture - Proposal by Nigeria" (NG/W/130); (x) "Negotiating Proposals by the Democratic Republic of the Congo" (NG/W/135); (xi) a proposal by Kenya on "WTO Negotiations on Agriculture" (NG/W/136); (xii) "Agricultural Trade Negotiations in the WTO – Preliminary Positions of Senegal" (NG/W/137); (xiii) "Proposal by Mexico for the Negotiations on Agriculture in the World Trade Organization (WTO)" (NG/W/138); (xiv) a proposal by MERCOSUR, Bolivia, Chile, Costa Rica, Guatemala, India and Malaysia on "Export Credits for Agricultural Products" (NG/W/139); (xv) a proposal by Jordan on "WTO Agriculture Negotiations" (NG/W/140); (xvi) "WTO African Group: Joint Proposal on the Negotiations on Agriculture" (NG/W/142), and (xvii) a proposal by Namibia on "WTO Negotiations on Agriculture" (NG/W/143). In addition, a technical submission by Argentina on "Legitimate Non-Trade Concerns" (NG/W/88) was considered and a submission on "WTO Negotiations on Agriculture" (NG/W/141) was made available by Croatia.
4. It was noted that the Special Session had completed its consideration of all the proposals and technical submissions that had been tabled in the course of the first phase of the negotiations.
5. A number of the statements made at this meeting are to be circulated in the series G/AG/NG/W/- at the request of the delegations concerned. These statements will be listed in an addendum to this report in due course. Statements made at the previous (fifth) Special Session but circulated after the appearance of the Chairman's report on that meeting (G/AG/NG/5) are: Lithuania (NG/W/127); Poland (NG/W/128); Dominican Republic, Honduras, Cuba and El Salvador

(NG/W/129); Hungary on behalf of Albania, Bulgaria, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Georgia, Hungary, the Kyrgyz Republic, Latvia, Lithuania, Romania, the Slovak Republic and Slovenia (NG/W/131); Hungary (NG/W/132); Venezuela (NG/W/133); and the Czech Republic (NG/W/134).
