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DOHA MEETING RESULTS

WTO members have undertaken to:

- move toward the reduction and eventual phase-out of all agricultural export subsidies and trade-distorting domestic support, and the reduction of other barriers to trade in agricultural products;
- review the relationship between WTO rules and the trade obligations agreed to under international environmental agreements;
- clarify and improve rules governing anti-dumping, subsidies and countervailing duties;
- reduce or eliminate import duties and non-tariff barriers to non-agricultural products;
- improve the dispute settlement mechanism;
- interpret rules so that developing countries have access to vital medicines while still protecting patents;
- set firm timetables for ongoing negotiations on liberalizing trade in services;
- deepen work on transparency in government procurement, foreign investment and competition;
- allow developing countries to adapt to WTO rules at a pace appropriate to their needs; and
- work toward a more transparent and accountable WTO.

