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SUBJECT: WTO FUNDED INTERNSHIP PROGRAMMES (NTP/FIMIP)

Reference is made to the Trainee Programmes and Internships (NTP/FIMIP) discussed in the Biennial Technical Assistance and Training Plan 2024-2025 (WT/COMTD/W/273). These programmes are primarily geared towards providing support in the economic and social development of developing countries, LDCs, low-income countries and comparable poor, small and vulnerable economies in areas related to trade policy.

Specific information on conditions and the selection criteria for the **Netherlands Trainee Programme (NTP)** and the **French-Irish Mission Internship Programme (FIMIP)** is contained as an Annex to this letter, which you are kindly invited to carefully review, before candidates are invited to submit applications. Please note that only fully completed files will be considered, including all requested information and letters of support. Beneficiary Members and Observers can submit a maximum of 3 applications for the two programmes.

Given the paperless environment of the WTO, E-candidature forms should be submitted for consideration by **31 August 2023**. Applicants for the NTP and the FIMIP should complete the candidature form by using the following link: WTO Funded Internship Programmes Form 2024 - Formstack. You are kindly invited to forward this link and information to the relevant Ministry for submission of applications. Please note that a letter of support from the Mission for the FIMIP is mandatory as the retained candidates will be based in their respective Permanent Missions.

The selected interns are expected to start their programmes in Geneva in March 2024.

If you have any questions regarding the above programmes, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Willie Chatsika, Head of the English-speaking Africa Regional Desk, TA Coordination, Partnership and Internship Programmes Section (Tel: +41 22 739 58 72: Email: Willie.Chatsika@wto.org) Ms Queen Coordinator, or King'ori, Traineeships (Tel: +41 22 739 64 56; Email: Queen.Kingori@wto.org) at the Institute for Training and Technical Cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

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