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WTO CHAIRPERSONS FOR 2001

The WTO General Council today (9 February) noted the consensus on the following slate of names of chairpersons for WTO bodies:

General Council	Mr. Stuart Harbinson (Hong Kong, China)
Dispute Settlement Body	Amb. Roger Farrell (New Zealand)
Trade Policy Review Body	Amb.. Pekka Huhtaniemi (Finland)
Council for Trade in Goods	Amb. Istvan Major (Hungary)
Council for Trade in Services	Amb. Celso Amorim (Brazil)
Council for TRIPS	Amb. Boniface Guwa Chidyausiku (Zimbabwe)
Committee on Trade and Environment	Amb. Alejandro Jara Puga (Chile)
Committee on Trade and Development	Amb. Nathan Irumba (Uganda)
Committee on Balance-of-Payments Restrictions	Amb. Hernando José Gomez (Colombia)
Committee on Regional Trade Agreements	Mme. Laurence Dubois-Destrizais (France)
Committee on Budget, Finance and Administration	Amb. M. Supperamaniam (Malaysia)
Working Group on the Relationship between Trade and Investment	Amb. Oguz Demiralp (Turkey)
Working Group on the Interaction between Trade and Competition Policy	Prof. Frederic Jenny (France)
Working Group on Transparency in Government Procurement	Amb. Ronald Saborío Soto (Costa Rica)

Committee on Agriculture	
Chair	Amb. Apiradi Tantraporn (Thailand)
Vice-Chair	Mr. Yoichi Suzuki

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