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This virtual talk

o On 21 March, the WTO Health Task Foroe

practical and swift effect to our shared commitment to address the global pandemic through global cooperation."

We reiterate our goal to realize a free, fair, non-discriminatory, transparent, predictable and stable trade and investment environment, and to keep our markets open.

On 30 March, the G20 trade ministers had a virtual meeting and committed to the following:

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6. Agree to Compulsory

interactions to share evidence and experience to detect, prevent, respond to, and recover from COVID-19. A sound digital framework is key to support the free flow of data, protect privacy and security, and overall provide a trusted environment for digital exchanges.

will be held. New regulations and conformity assessment procedures will

in the coming months, but manufacturing is also distributed far more globally. Much as national policy makers might wish for immediate self-sufficiency, that is not possible. Global