

Third CPTPP Commission

Commission Report:

• Mexico City, August 5, 2020

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1. The Commission of the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP Commission) was held on 05 August, 2020 in Mexico City, Mexico, virtually. Ministers and Senior Officials from CPTPP Members participated: Australia, Brunei Darussalam, Canada, Chile, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Peru, Singapore and Viet Nam.
2. A summary of the Commission's discussion and outcomes agreed under the respective agenda items is set out below.
3. **Agenda ITEM 1:** The Commission considered and adopted its agenda (attached at ANNEX A).
4. **Agenda ITEM 2:** The moderator invited the Ministers to take the official photo of the Commission meeting.
5. **Agenda ITEM 3:** The President of the Commission (Minister of Economy of Mexico) gave her welcoming remarks, and then, the moderator gave the floor to each Minister for his or her initial remarks.
6. **Agenda ITEM 4:** The Commission acknowledged the work of 14 Committees and one working group that met virtually in 11 sessions (listed in ANNEX B) and noted the reports received from these Committees. The Commission noted that some Committees raised issues on which they sought guidance from the Commission. The Chair will convene a Senior Officials process to address these in the next months.
7. **Agenda ITEM 5:** The Chair of the Commission opened the discussion on four specific issues: implementation of the Agreement, ratifications, accessions and current situation of the world economy.
8. Outcomes: Joint Statement (on COVID-19, Multilateral Trading System and Free Trade), and Mandate for the Senior Officials to start the works towards establishing a specialized subsidiary body to address digital economy.
9. **Agenda ITEM 6:** The President of the Commission gave her final remarks. Subsequently, the Minister in charge of Economic Revitalization and in charge of Trans-Pacific Partnership of Japan gave a brief speech, as next year's Chair of the Commission.
10. **Agenda ITEM 7:** The Commission adopted this report of its 3rd meeting and noted that the CPTPP Commission and associated meetings of next year will be chaired by Japan.



ANNEX A

3rd CPTPP Commission Meeting

AGENDA

Date and time:

August 5th, 2020

19:00h (Mexico City time)

Videoconference activities:

19:00 - 19:07	Item 1
	Presentation and opening remarks by the President of the Commission, Minister of Economy of Mexico, Dr. Graciela Márquez.
19:07 - 19:10	Item 2
	Official Photograph of the Third Meeting of the Commission of the CPTPP.
19:10 - 19:40	Item 3
	Opening remarks from CPTPP Members on the following order (3 minutes each): <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Japan (vice- chair)2. New Zealand (vice-chair)3. Viet Nam4. Australia5. Brunei Darussalam6. Canada7. Chile8. Malaysia9. Peru10. Singapore
19:40 - 19:50	Item 4
	General Report of the Committees and the Working Group that met virtually.



19:50 - 20:40	Item 5
	Minister's participation on specific issues. (<i>3 minutes each.</i>) Outcomes: 1. Joint Statement (COVID-19, Multilateral Trading System, Free Trade). 2. Mandate for the Senior Officials to start the works towards establishing a specialized subsidiary body to address digital economy.
20:40 - 20:45	Item 6
	Final remarks by President of the Commission, Minister of Economy of Mexico (<i>2 minutes</i>). Brief speech by the Minister in charge of Economic Revitalization and in charge of Trans-Pacific Partnership of Japan (<i>2 minutes</i>).



ANNEX B

Committees Virtual Meetings

Coordinated by Mexico, July and August 2020.

14 Committees and one Working Group met virtually in 11 sessions:

1. Technical Barriers to Trade Committee (TBT).
2. Committee on Regulatory Coherence.
3. Environment Committee.
4. Professional Services Working Group.
5. Sanitary and Phytosanitary Committee (SPS).
6. State Own Enterprises Committee (SOE).
7. Cooperation Committees (Development, Cooperation and Capacity Building, Small and Medium Enterprises, and Competitiveness and Business Facilitation).
8. Committees on Trade in Goods and Agricultural Trade.
9. Financial Services Committee.
10. Committee on Textile and Apparel Trade Matters.
11. Rules of Origin Committee.

