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**PROTOCOL ON THE ACCESSION OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF AFGHANISTAN  
TO THE MARRAKESH AGREEMENT ESTABLISHING  
THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION  
DONE AT NAIROBI, KENYA ON 17 DECEMBER 2015**

NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE AND ENTRY INTO FORCE

TRANSMISSION OF CERTIFIED TRUE COPY

I have the honour to inform you that on 29 June 2016, **Afghanistan** deposited with me an instrument of acceptance of the above-mentioned Protocol, thereby recognizing as fully binding the signature affixed to the Protocol by its plenipotentiary on 17 December 2015.

Pursuant to its paragraphs 1 and 8, the Protocol shall enter into force and Afghanistan shall become a Member of the World Trade Organization on **29 July 2016**.

This notification, as well as the enclosed certified true copy of the Protocol, is furnished in accordance with paragraph 9 of the Protocol. As stipulated in its paragraph 10, the Protocol shall be registered in accordance with the provisions of Article 102 of the Charter of the United Nations.

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Director-General

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