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Launch of the WIPO Patent Landscape Report on COVID-19 related vaccines and therapeutics Preliminary insights on related patenting activity during the pandemic

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PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

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Moderator: Mr. Andrew Czajkowski, Director, Technology and Innovation Support Division, IP for Innovators Department (IPID), IP and Innovation Ecosystems Sector (IES), World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva, Switzerland

14.00 – 14.20 Opening Remarks by:

Mr. Daren Tang, Director General, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva, Switzerland

Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director General, World Health Organization (WHO), Geneva, Switzerland

Dr. Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, Director General, World Trade Organization (WTO), Geneva, Switzerland

14.20 – 14.40 Presentation of the Findings of the WIPO Patent Landscape Report on COVID-19 vaccines and therapeutics - Preliminary insights on related patenting activity during the pandemic

Speaker: Ms. Irene Kitsara, Industrial Property Information Officer, Technology and Innovation Support Division, IP for Innovators Department (IPID), IP and Innovation Ecosystems Sector (IES), WIPO, Geneva, Switzerland

14.40 – 15.40 **Panel discussion –** Technology, partnerships/collaboration and use of the patent system

The discussion panel will address recent developments in technologies related to the various vaccine platforms and therapeutics targeting COVID-19. Discussions will also focus on partnerships and collaborations in R&D, as well as observations on the effectiveness and contribution of the patent system to the pandemic response.

Moderator: Mr. Marco M. Alemán, Assistant Director General, IP and Innovation Ecosystems Sector (IES), WIPO, Geneva, Switzerland

Panelists:

Mr. Esteban Burrone, Head of Policy and Advocacy, Medicines Patent Pool, Geneva, Switzerland;

Ms. Claudia Chamas, Professor, Centre for Technological Development in Health, Oswaldo Cruz Foundation (FIOCRUZ), Rio de Janeiro, Brazil;

Mr. Martin Friede, Unit Head, Product and Delivery Research, Immunization, Vaccines and Biologicals Department, WHO, Geneva, Switzerland; Mr. Jesus Hernandez, Patent Attorney, Office of Policy and International Affairs (OPIA), United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), Alexandria, VA, United States of America;

Mr. Liu Jian, Deputy Director General, International Cooperation Department, China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA), Beijing, China;

Mr. Antony Taubman, Director, Intellectual Property, Government Procurement & Competition Division, WTO, Geneva, Switzerland;

Ms. Emma Wheatley, Director, Access and Private Partnerships, Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI), London, United Kingdom; and

Mr. Giwoong Yun, Director, Patent Legal Administration Division, Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO), Daejeon, Republic of Korea.

15.40 – 16.00 **Question and Answer Session** (in writing through the chat mode)

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