- Thank you Mr. chairman

- At the outset, Israel would to thank the American delegation for the organization and chairing of this round.
  We acknowledge the huge amount of work and resources involved and would like to thank David for coordinating this complex operation.

- This round allowed us to get a thorough understanding of each other's positions.
  We are encouraged by the progress made on some topics like, Telecom, Transparency and Professional Services, although we feel there is still a lot of work to be done on other issues in which progress in this round was limited and gaps still remain.

- In addition, we found the daily Chief Negotiators' meetings extremely useful and see them as an important element in facilitating progress across the board.

- Understanding that these are indeed the final stages of this process, approaching the December deadline for the conclusion of the negotiations, we wish to join the call for pragmatism, flexibility and for finding solutions to problematic issues, creating landing zones and bridging gaps, and commend the Parties that have done so over the week.

- Bilateral meetings have been a key factor in understanding other Members' priorities and for the continuing work by our capital experts in order to present a better offer this fall.

- Respecting the Jewish Tradition and Holidays, our ability to participate in small group or CN meetings in October will be limited. We expect the Parties that do participate in these meetings, as in previous cases, to hold them without prejudice and exhibit full transparency.

- Lastly, we kindly ask the EU to try to accommodate the needs of smaller delegations in planning the next round, avoiding more than two parallel sessions and distributing the annotated agenda as soon as possible.