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Automotive Dialogue Convenor's Summary of Key Outcomes and Policy Recommendations to Committee on Trade and Investment

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**Second Committee on Trade and Investment
Meeting
Bangkok, Thailand
15-16 May 2022**

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35th APEC Automotive Dialogue (AD) : 12-13 May 2022 at Lebua Hotel

1 day plenary hybrid meeting (in-person and virtual) and half day for battery factory visit

Fruitful discussion on:

- Thailand's policy priority for APEC 2022: Open-Connect-Balance and how the AD can implement the Aotearoa Plan of Action
- industry updates on auto trade and policy developments from 10 economies
- panel discussion on "The Role of the Auto Sector in Meeting Economies' Climate Commitments"
- auto industry ecosystem : "Fostering a Resilient & Sustainable Future" , including regulation & standard, supply-chains, HRD and end-of-life vehicles and lithium-ion battery

DRAFT AD35 : Key Outcomes & Policy Recommendations

The UNFCCC says we need to reduce GHG emissions by 45% relative to 2010 levels by 2030.

Many economies are developing measures in response to climate change and aim to be net-zero by 2050.

APEC members need to act to meet these targets and can further support the uptake for new technology vehicles (NTVs) by:

- Developing policies to reduce the price of NTVs (e.g. tax credits, subsidies, rebates/feebates)
- Leading on charging infrastructure: policy makers can support the rollout of infrastructure by developing and funding EV charging plans and ensuring the regulatory framework is appropriate and chargers are well located
- Developing vehicle emissions (CO₂) regulatory frameworks that are stable, predictable and provide clear long-term signals to industry
- Implementing 'end of life' battery schemes to replace, repurpose and recycle EV batteries and deliver on the circular economy
- Demonstrate leadership on adopting NTVs in government fleets to support the used car market and infrastructure rollout
- Adopting global best practice in fuel quality standards to facilitate the deployment of NTVs
- Co-investing with industry to increase the availability of critical and rare earth minerals to increase the availability of NTVs

- Incentivizing R&D, manufacturing and recycling of NTVs components e.g. batteries, semi conductors,
- Collaborating with APEC partners to harmonize standards and establish battery recycling supply-chains

To deliver on the Putrajaya Vision 2040 and the Aotearoa Plan of Action, The AD will take actions to:

deliver on Trade and Investment by;

- Progressing liberalization of trade in goods by reducing unnecessary barriers, strengthening trade facilitation, and fostering regulatory reform
- Increasing trade predictability and openness by improving economies' transparency through trade measures and policies.
- Addressing key infrastructure gaps and enhancing connectivity by creating transparent regulatory environments, promoting dialogue, and sharing best practices
- Identifying and integrating new and emerging sustainable transportation and mobility technologies and services.
- Adopting new and emerging technologies to stimulate growth, connectivity and digital transformation

deliver on Innovation and Digitalization by;

- Supporting the identification and integration of new and emerging sustainable transportation and mobility technologies and services.
- Adopting new and emerging technologies to stimulate growth, connectivity and digital transformation

deliver on Strong, Balanced, Secure, Sustainable and Inclusive Growth by;

- Developing, encouraging and exchanging best practice policies, and by promoting capacity building programmes, that address all environmental challenges - including climate change - and support sustainable growth, such as through:
 - sustainable infrastructure and transport;
 - promoting sustainable growth across sectors and the development of cost effective low and zero emissions technologies,
- seeking to deliver on existing Leaders' commitment to deliver a plan to reduce aggregate energy intensity by 45%, from 2005 levels, by 2035;

Automotive Dialogue-36 : 12-13 September 2022 (TBC)

The next AD meeting tentatively scheduled for 12-13 September 2022

Holding AD-36 on these dates will give Asia Pacific transport, energy and trade policy makers and industry representatives the opportunity to participate in five important events in one week (13-16 September), including

- APEC Automotive Dialogue 36
- APEC Advanced Vehicle Technical Programme Workshop (US self-funded project)
- Transportation Working Group 52 meetings (14-16 September)
- International Electric Vehicle Technology Conference and Exhibition (iEVTech)
- ASEAN Sustainable Energy Week