

# After Doha

*AEI Conference – October 3, 2006*

---

Daniel K. Tarullo

Georgetown Univ. Law Center

Center for American Progress



# End of the Big Trade Round?

---

- Problems in Organizing Rounds
  - Number of Participants
  - Complexity/Sensitivity of Issues



# Negotiations Go Glacial

	Members	Duration	Lag
<i>Geneva</i>	23	1	-
<i>Dillon</i>	26	2	5
<i>Kennedy</i>	62	3	6
<i>Tokyo</i>	102	6	12
<i>Uruguay</i>	123	8	15
<i>[Doha]</i>	149	5+	12+



# End of the Big Trade Round?

---

- Problems in Organizing Rounds
  - Number of Participants
  - Complexity/Sensitivity of Issues
- Declining Leadership
- Waning Interest of MNCs
- Availability of Bilaterals/Regionals



# Structural or Contingent?

---

- Problems in Organizing Rounds
  - Number of Participants
  - Complexity/Sensitivity of Issues
- Declining Leadership
- Waning Interest of MNCs
- Availability of Bilaterals/Regionals



# Alternatives

---

- Dominance of Bilateral/Regional FTAs
- Mini Rounds
- Plurilaterals under WTO Auspices
- Plurilaterals outside WTO
- Non-WTO Regulatory Convergence
  - MRAs
  - Harmonization