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**NOTIFICATION OF ARRANGEMENTS AND PROGRESS IN THE PROVISION OF
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND CAPACITY BUILDING SUPPORT OF
CATEGORY C DESIGNATIONS**

COMMUNICATION FROM NIGER

The following communication, dated 19 February 2021, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Niger.

Niger hereby notifies information on the arrangements concluded and progress made in the provision of technical assistance and capacity building support of the following category C designations, in response to Article 16 of the Trade Facilitation Agreement.

Provision	Heading/Description	Category	Indicative date for implementation	Definitive date for implementation
Article 1.1	Publication	C	31 December 2021	To be determined
Donors: To be determined				
Progress in the provision of technical assistance and capacity building support: To be determined				

Provision	Heading/Description	Category	Indicative date for implementation	Definitive date for implementation
Article 1.2	Information Available through Internet	C	31 December 2024	To be determined
Donors: To be determined				
Progress in the provision of technical assistance and capacity building support: To be determined				

Disposition	Heading/Description	Category	Indicative date for implementation	Definitive date for implementation
Article 1.3	Enquiry Points	C	31 December 2024	To be determined
Donors: CILSS financed by the ITC				
Progress in the provision of technical assistance and capacity building support: Establishment of border trade information offices				

Disposition	Heading/Description	Category	Indicative date for implementation	Definitive date for implementation
Article 5.3	Test Procedures	C	31 December 2029	To be determined
Donors: To be determined				
Progress in the provision of technical assistance and capacity building support: To be determined				

Disposition	Heading/Description	Category	Indicative date for implementation	Definitive date for implementation
Article 7.1	Pre-arrival Processing	C	31 December 2024	To be determined
Donors: To be determined				
Progress in the provision of technical assistance and capacity building support: To be determined				

Disposition	Heading/Description	Category	Indicative date for implementation	Definitive date for implementation
Article 7.2	Electronic Payment	C	31 December 2022	To be determined
Donors: To be determined				
Progress in the provision of technical assistance and capacity building support: To be determined				

Disposition	Heading/Description	Category	Indicative date for implementation	Definitive date for implementation
Article 7.4	Risk Management	C	31 December 2021	To be determined
Donors: Trade Facilitation West Africa (TFWA) Program				
Progress in the provision of technical assistance and capacity building support: Integration into the regional diagnostic framework to support the strengthening of the risk management strategy				

Disposition	Heading/Description	Category	Indicative date for implementation	Definitive date for implementation
Article 7.5	Post-clearance Audit	C	31 December 2029	To be determined
Donors: To be determined				
Progress in the provision of technical assistance and capacity building support: To be determined				

Disposition	Heading/Description	Category	Indicative date for implementation	Definitive date for implementation
Article 7.6	Establishment and Publication of Average Release Times	C	31 December 2023	To be determined
Donors: Trade Facilitation West Africa (TFWA) Program				
Progress in the provision of technical assistance and capacity building support: Project under development for an expanded definition of the border performance measurement criteria and service standards and sustainable collection methods, in accordance with a regional framework to be defined by ECOWAS and UEMOA, and to be steered by UEMOA				

Disposition	Heading/Description	Category	Indicative date for implementation	Definitive date for implementation
Article 7.7	Trade Facilitation Measures for Authorized Operators	C	31 December 2022	To be determined
Donors: To be determined				
Progress in the provision of technical assistance and capacity building support: To be determined				

Disposition	Heading/Description	Category	Indicative date for implementation	Definitive date for implementation
Article 7.8	Expedited Shipments	C	31 December 2021	To be determined
Donors: To be determined				
Progress in the provision of technical assistance and capacity building support: To be determined				

Disposition	Heading/Description	Category	Indicative date for implementation	Definitive date for implementation
Article 8	Border Agency Cooperation	C	31 December 2029	To be determined
Donors: To be determined				
Progress in the provision of technical assistance and capacity building support: To be determined				

Disposition	Heading/Description	Category	Indicative date for implementation	Definitive date for implementation
Article 10.1	Formalities and Documentation Requirements	C	31 December 2025	To be determined
Donors: To be determined				
Progress in the provision of technical assistance and capacity building support: To be determined				

Disposition	Heading/Description	Category	Indicative date for implementation	Definitive date for implementation
Article 10.3	Use of International Standards	C	31 December 2029	To be determined
Donors: Trade Facilitation West Africa (TFWA) Program				
Progress in the provision of technical assistance and capacity building support: Support for the incorporation of international and community trade facilitation standards, and activities to support compliance with the national legal framework.				

Disposition	Heading/Description	Category	Indicative date for implementation	Definitive date for implementation
Article 10.4	Single Window	C	31 December 2028	To be determined
Donors: To be determined				
Progress in the provision of technical assistance and capacity building support: To be determined				

Disposition	Heading/Description	Category	Indicative date for implementation	Definitive date for implementation
Article 11.5-11.17	Freedom of Transit	C	31 December 2027	To be determined
Donors: Trade Facilitation West Africa (TFWA) Program				
Progress in the provision of technical assistance and capacity building support: Support for the development and operationalization of the Interconnected Transit Freight Management System (SIGMAT)				

Disposition	Heading/Description	Category	Indicative date for implementation	Definitive date for implementation
Article 12	Customs Cooperation	C	31 December 2029	To be determined
Donors: Trade Facilitation West Africa (TFWA) Program				
Progress in the provision of technical assistance and capacity building support: Implementation of the ECOWAS Supplementary Act on Mutual Administrative Assistance and Cooperation between Customs Administrations, in accordance with the steering arrangements defined by ECOWAS and validated by the Director-General. Technical assistance for the designated national technical team in accordance with the national priorities regarding the implementation of the community text.				