UPDATE ON RATIFICATIONS AND NOTIFICATIONS

WTO Secretariat
3 March 2021
RATIFICATION
UPDATES
Ratifications presented

The Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA) entered into force on 22 February 2017 when the WTO obtained the two-thirds acceptance from its 164 Members.

Ratifications

153 Ratifications 93.3%

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European Union ratification: For the purposes of calculation of acceptances under Article X.3 of the WTO Agreement, an instrument of acceptance by the European Union for itself and in respect of its Member States shall be counted as acceptance by a number of Members equal to the number of Member States of the European Union which are Members to the WTO.

Ratifications yet to be presented

1. Democratic Republic of the Congo
2. Guinea-Bissau
3. Haiti
4. Liberia
5. Mauritania
6. Solomon Islands
7. Suriname
8. Tonga
9. Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of
10. Yemen

TFAD (Trade Facilitation Agreement Database) www.tfadatabase.org
NOTIFICATION
DEADLINES
LDC’s to Notify Category B Definitive Dates by 22/02/2020

• 84% of LDCs (26 Members) that have designated category B commitments, have also notified their category B definitive dates before the deadline

• 9 LDCs requested an extension of time until 21/02/2021 to notify these dates:
  • 7 have already provided the dates:
    Afghanistan; Burkina Faso, Chad, Lao PDR, Senegal, Sierra Leone and Solomon Islands.
  • 2 Members have not yet notified these dates:
    Djibouti and Mauritania.

https://tfadatabase.org/notifications/extension-to-notify-definitive-dates/b
Out of the 32 LDC Members that have notified Category C designations to date:

- 29 Members have already notified category C indicative dates.
- 3 Members have not yet done so:
  - Djibouti, Myanmar and Rwanda

[Recent Notification Deadline](https://tfadatabase.org/notifications/implementation-dates/list/c)
Out of the 32 LDC Members that have notified Category C designations to date:

- 5 Members have notified Donor arrangements:
  - Bangladesh, Cambodia, Madagascar, Mali and Niger.
- 27 Members have not yet done so.

https://tfadatabase.org/notifications/arrangements-and-progress
### Notifications yet to be submitted

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[https://tfadatabase.org/notifications-matrix](https://tfadatabase.org/notifications-matrix)
Information on TA projects –
Donor arrangements and progress on the provision of TACB

So far no notifications on Arrangements + Progress have been received by Donor Members

https://tfadatabase.org.notifications-matrix
IMPLEMENTATION PROGRESS
IMPLEMENTATION
NOTIFICATIONS
ARTICLES 15 & 16

• 8 notifications received since the last meeting:
  • BANGLADESH G/TFA/N/BD/1/ADD.4
  • BURKINA FASO G/TFA/N/BFA/1/ADD.3
  • CAMBODIA G/TFA/N/KHM/1/ADD.2
  • ECUADOR G/TFA/N/ECU/1/ADD.2
  • LESOTHO G/TFA/N/LSO/1/ADD.2
  • MALI G/TFA/N/MLI/1/ADD.2
  • SIERRA LEONE G/TFA/N/SLE/1/ADD.2
THE RATE OF TFA IMPLEMENTATION COMMITMENTS FOR THE ENTIRE MEMBERSHIP STANDS AT 69.7% TO DATE

Timeline of implementation commitments
Based on implementation commitments by all WTO Members over time

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The rate of TFA implementation commitments for the entire membership stands at 69.7% to date.

https://tfadatabase.org/implementation
THE RATE OF TFA IMPLEMENTATION COMMITMENTS OF DEVELOPING + LDCS MEMBERS STANDS AT 60.4% TO DATE
The rate of TFA implementation commitments for the developing and LDCs stands at 60.4% to date.

https://tfadatabase.org/implementation
Rate of TFA implementation commitments

Timeline

Developed, developing and LDCs

To date | 2021-2023 | 2024-2027 | 2028 onwards | unknown
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70% | 83% | 93% | 96% | 4%
+13% | +10% | +3% | Not yet notified

Based on notification data and developed Members commitments
TRANSPARENCY
10 NOTIFICATIONS SINCE THE LAST MEETING

- Article 1.4: 3
- Article 10.4.3: 3
- Article 10.6.2: 3
- Article 12.2.2: 4
2 NOTIFICATIONS SINCE THE LAST MEETING

Articles 22.1 & 22.2

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Article 22.3

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