UPDATE ON RATIFICATIONS AND NOTIFICATIONS

WTO Secretariat
30 June 2022
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.

- **155 Ratifications**
  - 110 Acceptances
  - 45 Non-acceptances

Ratifications yet to be presented

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

**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.
155 Ratifications received

Timeline of Ratifications received to date (no. of Members having presented an instrument of acceptance)

- Number of Ratifications Received
- Cumulative No.

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SECTION I
TRANSPARENCY NOTIFICATIONS
TRANSPARENCY NOTIFICATIONS RECEIVED SINCE THE LAST MEETING

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OVERDUE TRANSPARENCY NOTIFICATIONS

Article 1.4
Article 10.4.3
Article 10.6.2
Article 12.2.2

29
10
32
20

https://tfadatabase.org/notifications/transparency/notifications-by-member
BROKEN LINKS
Members have notified approximately 3600 links through their transparency notifications. Out of which 450 appear to be broken.

Following the TFA Review Decision, the Secretariat has started a digital cleaning. Some Members have already been contacted and others will be contacted soon.

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SECTION II
NOTIFICATION DEADLINES
Out of 32 LDC Members that have notified Category C designations to date:

- 9* Members have already notified all category C definitive dates ahead of the deadline:
  - Angola, Benin, Burundi, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Malawi, Mali, Mozambique and Zambia.
- *Central African Republic has notified remaining dates, notification to be issued shortly.
- 1 Member has requested an extension of time to notify the category C definitive dates:
  - Djibouti

https://tfadatabase.org/notifications/implementation-dates/list/c
25 overdue notifications

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https://tfadatabase.org/notifications-matrix
Information on Technical Assistance
Donor arrangements and progress in the provision of TACB

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

https://tfadatabase.org/implementation/technical-assistance/projects

- Members have notified Cat. C designations: 95
- Members have notified TA requirements: 88
- Members have notified Donor arrangements and TA progress: 18
3 notifications received since the last meeting:

- Mali G/TFA/N/MLI/1/Add.3
- Tonga G/TFA/N/TON/4
- Djibouti G/TFA/N/DJI/1/ADD.2

https://tfadatabase.org/notifications/implementation
NOTIFICATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 19

SHIFTING OF CATEGORIES

- 1 Member has presented a notification of category shifting:
  - Viet Nam G/TFA/N/VNM/1/Add.1

https://tfadatabase.org/category-shifts
I notification received since the last meeting:

- Ghana G/TFA/N/GHA/1/ADD.2

https://tfadatabase.org/notifications/extension-of-implementation-dates
OVERVIEW OF NOTIFICATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 17

EXTENSION OF IMPLEMENTATION DATES

Requests approved, not approved or pending consideration by the Trade Facilitation Committee, by Member and by Measure

Status as 24 June 2022

- Pending to be considered at the CTF meeting 30 June 2022

https://tfadatabase.org/notifications/extension-of-implementation-dates
1 notification received since the last meeting:

- Viet Nam G/TFA/N/VNM/1/Add.1

https://tfadatabase.org/notifications/extension-of-implementation-dates
8 Members notified earlier implementation dates for a total number of 32 measures:

- Antigua & Barbuda
- China
- India
- Indonesia
- Macao, China
- Malaysia
- Paraguay
- Viet Nam

https://tfadatabase.org/notifications/earlier-implementation
OVERVIEW OF TFA IMPLEMENTATION NOTIFICATIONS UNDER SECTION II

Timeline of implementation commitments

Based on implementation commitments by all WTO Members over time

Today 67.6%

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Implementation commitments of LDCs and Developing members

Implementation commitments according to notification data

Today 67.6%

% TFA implementation commitments

- Cat. A commitments for implementation to date: 50.8%
- Cat. B commitments for implementation to date: 10.7%
- Cat. C commitments for implementation to date: 6.1%
- Cat. B commitments for future implementation: 7.4%
- Cat. C commitments for future implementation: 21.4%
- Unknown: 3.6%
Based on notification data

Developing and LDCs

Rate of TFA implementation commitments

Timeline

To date 2022-2023 2024-2027 2028-2040 unknown

68% 78% 91% 95% 5%

+10% +13% +4%

Not yet notified

24 June 2022
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND CAPACITY BUILDING UNDER ARTICLE 22
NOTIFICATIONS SINCE THE LAST MEETING

Articles 22.1 & 22.2
2
51

Article 22.3
1
63
3 notifications received since the last meeting:

**Article 22.1 / 22.2** – support for capacity building provided by Donors and processes to obtain assistance

- United States G/TFA/N/USA/6
- Japan G/TFA/N/JPN/7

**Article 22.3** – contact points for coordinating technical assistance support

- Cuba G/TFA/N/CUB/3/REV.1
Committee on Trade Facilitation

TRADE FACILITATION AGREEMENT’S DEFINITIVE IMPLEMENTATION DATES COVERING THE PERIOD 1 JANUARY 2022 TO 31 DECEMBER 2023

Revision

As was agreed at the meeting of the Committee on Trade Facilitation on 22-23 April 2021, the following listing of the Trade Facilitation Agreement’s definitive implementation dates covering the period 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2023 is being sent to Members for their information. The document has no legal status and serves only to assist Members to keep track of their deadlines.

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RECENT AND UPCOMING IMPLEMENTATION DATES

2022-2023

01 Jan 2022 to 31 Dec 2023

- no. of Members with due implementation dates: 78
- no. of measures: 448
  - of which in Cat. B: 233
  - of which in Cat. C: 214

https://tfadatabase.org/implementation/commitments-due-by-date
TOP 5 CATEGORY C MEASURES DUE FOR IMPLEMENTATION IN 2022-2023

Top 5 measures due for implementation

1.2 - Information available through...  
7.4 - Risk management  
7.6 - Average release times  
10.4 - Single window  
8 - Border Agency Cooperation

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TOP 5 CATEGORY B MEASURES DUE FOR IMPLEMENTATION IN 2022-2023

Top 5 measures due for implementation

1.1 – Publication
3 – Advance rulings
10.2 – Acceptance of copies
1.4 – Notification
2.2 – Consultations

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THANK YOU

WTO Secretariat
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