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**NOTIFICATION OF CATEGORY COMMITMENTS UNDER
THE AGREEMENT ON TRADE FACILITATION**

COMMUNICATION FROM TANZANIA

Addendum

The following communication, dated 31 May 2023, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Tanzania.

Following up from the notification dated 5 October 2020 (G/TFA/N/TZA/2), Tanzania hereby makes the following notifications of the definitive dates for its category C commitments in response to Article 16 of the Agreement on Trade Facilitation (WT/L/931).

Provision	Heading/Description	Definitive Date for Implementation
Article 1.1	Publication	30 June 2030
Article 1.2	Information Available through Internet	30 June 2030
Article 1.3	Enquiry Points	30 June 2030
Article 2.2	Consultations	30 June 2030
Article 5.3	Test Procedures	30 June 2030
Article 6.1	General Disciplines on Fees and Charges Imposed on or in Connection with Importation and Exportation	30 June 2030
Article 6.2	Specific Disciplines on Fees and Charges for Customs Processing Imposed on or in Connection with Importation and Exportation	30 June 2030
Article 7.4	Risk Management	30 June 2025
Article 7.7	Trade Facilitation Measures for Authorized Operators	30 June 2030
Article 7.9	Perishable Goods	30 June 2035
Article 8	Border Agency Cooperation	30 June 2030
Article 10.1	Formalities and Documentation Requirements	30 June 2030
Article 10.4	Single Window	30 December 2025
Article 10.7	Common Border Procedures and Uniform Documentation Requirements	30 June 2030
Article 11	Freedom of Transit	30 June 2035
Article 12	Customs Cooperation	30 June 2030

For ease of reference, Tanzania's full list of category commitments can be found in the table attached herewith.

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Article 1 Publication and Availability of Information					
Article 1.1	Publication	C	22 February 2025	30 June 2030	There is a need for support: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To designate and empower an institution to periodically collect, analyse, publish and make trade information publicly available.
Article 1.2	Information Available through Internet	C	22 February 2026	30 June 2030	There is a need for support to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure sustainability of Trade Information Module/Portal; • Continuously collect information and update the portal; • Build capacity to Portal Management Team; and • Create awareness on the use of Portal.
Article 1.3	Enquiry Points	C	22 February 2025	30 June 2030	There is a need for support to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish and/or strengthen the existing enquiry points; and • Train and build capacity for the staff at the enquiry points to reply to enquiries.
Article 1.4	Notification	A	-	-	-
Article 2 Opportunity to Comment, Information before Entry into Force and Consultations					
Article 2.1	Opportunity to Comment and Information Before Entry into Force	A	-	-	-
Article 2.2	Consultations	C	22 February 2025	30 June 2030	There is need to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengthen Regular Joint Border Committee Meetings (JBCs)
Article 3 Advance Rulings					
		B	30 June 2022	30 June 2022	-
Article 4 Procedures for Appeal or Review					
		B	30 June 2022	30 June 2022	-
Article 5 Other Measures to Enhance Impartiality, Non-Discrimination and Transparency					
Article 5.1	Notification for Enhanced Controls or Inspections	B	30 June 2022	30 June 2022	-
Article 5.2	Detention	A	-	-	-
Article 5.3	Test Procedures	C	22 February 2026	30 June 2030	There is a need for a support to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review or to develop national regulations on the second testing; • Establish second test laboratories to be full capacitated in terms of testing facilities, training of staff and accreditation process;

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish customs laboratories for customs operations; and Strengthen and accredit the existing labs in testing Institutions (TBS, GCLA, Plant Health Labs, TMDA, ZFDA, ZBS, CGCLA-Zanzibar) to build confidence to importers and exporters.
Article 6 Disciplines on Fees and Charges Imposed on or in Connection with Importation and Exportation and Penalties					
Article 6.1	General Disciplines on Fees and Charges Imposed on or in Connection with Importation and Exportation	C	22 February 2030	30 June 2030	There is a need for support to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct studies fees and charges including their numbers and diversity; Establish mechanism for periodic review of fees and charges; and Timely publish the information on fees and charges.
Article 6.2	Specific Disciplines on Fees and Charges for Customs Processing Imposed on or in Connection with Importation and Exportation	C	22 February 2030	30 June 2030	There is a need for support to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct studies for customs processing fees and charges and advice accordingly
Article 6.3	Penalty Disciplines	A	-	-	-
Article 7 Release and Clearance of Goods					
Article 7.1	Pre-arrival Processing	A	-	-	-
Article 7.2	Electronic Payment	A	-	-	-
Article 7.3	Separation of Release from Final Determination of Customs Duties, Taxes, Fees and Charges	A	-	-	-
Article 7.4	Risk Management	C	22 February 2025	30 June 2025	There is a need for support to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strengthen the system on sampling procedures and sampling management; Establish interconnectivity between the scanner and customs system (TANCIS); Secure scanners and other modern technology to equip those borders with no such facilities; and Build capacity to the TRA staff and Border Agencies.
Article 7.5	Post-clearance Audit	A	-	-	-
Article 7.6	Establishment and Publication of Average Release Times	B	30 June 2023	30 June 2023	-

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Article 7.7	Trade Facilitation Measures for Authorized Operators	C	22 February 2025	30 June 2030	There is a need for a support to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a country wide sensitization and awareness to exporters, importers, Clearing and Forwarding Agencies (CFAs), transporters on the Authorized Economic Operators (AEO) program and criteria there-off; • Select basing on specified criteria, operators who qualify for AEOs and continuously build their capacity; and • Develop a national framework or mechanism for coordinating and cooperating between customs and border agencies in relation to AEOs.
Article 7.8	Expedited Shipments	A	-	-	-
Article 7.9	Perishable Goods	C	22 February 2025	30 June 2035	There is a need for support to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop infrastructure (e.g. cold room, safety cages for animals) for fast-tracking clearance and handling of perishable goods at the main entry/exit points.
Article 8 Border Agency Cooperation					
		C	22 February 2025	30 June 2030	There is a need for support to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish shared facilities for the remaining border posts (Horohoro, Mtambaswala, Ileje, Kabwe, Kasesya, Kasumulu and Lunga lunga) as well as harmonizing procedures and formalities; • Create sustainability of existing OSBPs; strengthening the instructional Framework, capacity building, maintenance and management of OSBPs Standards; • Support the soft infrastructure at Horohoro-Lungangunga, Sirari-Isebania; and • Establish and operationalize one Stop Border Post Control with Mozambique (MTAMBASWALA-NENGOMANO) and with Malawi (Kasumulo-Songwe); Manyovu-Mugina; OSBP /Tanzania/Burundi and others with potential growth of trade.
Article 9 Movement of Goods Intended for Import under Customs Control					
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Article 10 Formalities Connected with Importation, Exportation and Transit					
Article 10.1	Formalities and Documentation Requirements	C	22 February 2025	30 June 2030	Need financial support to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conduct studies and consultative meetings on formalities and documentation requirements; and • Perform periodic review/analysis of formalities and documentation requirements with a view to simplification and reducing their numbers.
Article 10.2	Acceptance of Copies	B	30 June 2022	30 June 2022	-
Article 10.3	Use of International Standards	B	30 June 2022	30 June 2022	-
Article 10.4	Single Window	C	22 February 2025	30 December 2025	There is a need for a support to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acquire and put in place adequate facilities for single window; • Upgrading ICT system for Other Government Departments to enable system integration with single window; • Create awareness program, Change Management and training to users; and • Develop mechanism for information sharing among border agencies.
Article 10.5	Pre-shipment Inspection	A	-	-	-
Article 10.6	Use of Customs Brokers	A	-	-	-
Article 10.7	Common Border Procedures and Uniform Documentation Requirements	C	22 February 2025	30 June 2030	There is a need for support to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undertake study with a view to Harmonizing documentation requirements and procedures; and • Build capacity and upgrading infrastructure at border posts.
Article 10.8	Rejected Goods	B	30 June 2022	30 June 2022	-
Article 10.9	Temporary Admission of Goods and Inward and Outward Processing	A	-	-	-
Article 11 Freedom of Transit					
		C	22 February 2024	30 June 2035	There is a need for support to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The expansion of the port (lanes, berth, off-loading and loading cranes for transit goods; • Improve infrastructure along the transit routes; and • Strengthen cargo tracking system and banal system to secure transit.

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Article 12 Customs Cooperation					
		C	22 February 2025	30 June 2030	There is a need for support to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undertake awareness creation and capacity building for Customs Officials on issues of cooperation with other customs authorities.