



# Afghanistan

Ratified Agreement: **Yes**

Ratification Date: **2016-07-29**

## Implementation Notifications (Categories A, B, C)

				Due date	Status
Notified all category ABC designations				by 22 February 2018	<b>Yes</b>
<b>A</b> - 11.3%	<b>B</b> - 27.3%	<b>C</b> - 61.3%	<b>Not yet notified</b> - 0.0%		
Notified indicative dates in <b>Category B</b>				by 22 February 2018	<b>Yes</b>
Notified definitive dates in <b>Category B</b>				Extension agreed until 31 August 2020	<b>Yes</b>
Notified indicative dates in <b>Category C</b>				by 22 February 2021	<b>Yes</b>
Notified definitive dates in <b>Category C</b>				by 22 August 2022	<b>No</b>
Notified Technical Assistance requirements				by 22 February 2019	<b>Yes</b>
Notified arrangements on the provision of technical assistance support				by 22 February 2021	<b>No</b>
Notified progress in the provision of technical assistance support				by 22 August 2022	<b>No</b>

### Transparency notifications

Notified Art. 1.4	Category B	Definitive implementation date 31 December 2021	No
Notified Art. 10.4.3	Category C	Definitive implementation date to be determined	No
Notified Art. 10.6.2	Category A	Definitive implementation date 22 February 2018	No
Notified Art. 12.2	Category C	Definitive implementation date to be determined	No

### Information on Assistance and Capacity Building

Notified Art. 22.3	Yes
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#### Legend:

Yes

Notification presented

No

Notification due

No

Notification not yet due

Implementation schedule			Indicative implementation date	Definitive implementation date
1.1	Publication	B	by 31 December 2020	by 31 December 2020
1.2	Information available through internet	C	by 31 December 2020	To be determined
1.3	Enquiry points	C	by 31 December 2021	To be determined
1.4	Notification	B	by 31 December 2021	by 31 December 2021
2.1	Comments and information before entry into force	C	by 31 December 2019	To be determined
2.2	Consultations	C	by 31 December 2022	To be determined
3	Advance rulings	C	by 31 December 2019	To be determined
4	Procedures for appeal or review	B	by 31 December 2027	by 31 December 2027
5.1	Notifications for enhanced controls or inspections	C	by 31 December 2023	To be determined
5.2	Detention	A		by 22 February 2018
5.3	Test procedures	C	by 31 December 2022	To be determined
6.1	General disciplines on fees and charges	B	by 31 December 2021	by 31 December 2021
6.2	Specific disciplines on fees and charges	B	by 31 December 2023	by 31 December 2023
6.3	Penalty Disciplines	B	by 31 December 2027	by 31 December 2027
7.1	Pre-arrival processing	C	by 31 December 2024	To be determined
7.2	Electronic payment	C B»C	by 31 December 2024	To be determined
7.3	Separation of release	A		by 22 February 2018
7.4	Risk management	C B»C	by 31 December 2024	To be determined

Implementation schedule			Indicative implementation date	Definitive implementation date
7.5	Post-clearance audit	C B»C	by 31 December 2024	To be determined
7.6	Average release times	C	by 31 December 2024	To be determined
7.7	Authorized operators	C	by 31 December 2024	To be determined
7.8	Expedited shipments	C	by 31 December 2022	To be determined
7.9	Perishable goods	B	by 31 December 2025	by 31 December 2025
8	Border Agency Cooperation	C	by 31 December 2027	To be determined
9	Movement of goods	B	by 31 December 2024	by 31 December 2024
10.1	Formalities	B	by 31 December 2022	by 31 December 2022
10.2	Acceptance of copies	C	by 31 December 2022	To be determined
10.3	Use of international standards	C	by 31 December 2027	To be determined
10.4	Single window	C	by 31 December 2027	To be determined
10.5	Preshipment inspection	A		by 22 February 2018
10.6	Use of customs brokers	A		by 22 February 2018
10.7	Common border procedures	B	by 31 December 2027	by 31 December 2027
10.8	Rejected Goods	B	by 31 December 2021	by 31 December 2021
10.9	Temporary admission of goods and inward and outward processing	A		by 22 February 2018
11	Transit	Ap Bp Cp	from 22 February 2018 to 31 December 2027	by 22 February 2018 & To be determined
12	Customs cooperation	Bp Cp	by 31 December 2027	by 31 December 2027 & To be determined

## Legend

A	Notified in Cat. A	Ap	Partially notified in A		
B	Notified in Cat. B	Bp	Partially notified in B	C»B	Shift from C to B
C	Notified in Cat. C	Cp	Partially notified in C	B»C	Shift from B to C
N	Not yet notified	E	Extension of time requested		

## Notifications and other documents

Symbol	Date	Description
G/TFA/N/AFG/2/Corr.1	2021-05-12	Article 22.3 - Corrigendum
G/TFA/N/AFG/2	2021-05-05	Article 22.3
G/TFA/N/AFG/1/Add.2	2020-05-18	Category B and C notification - Addendum 2
G/TFA/N/AFG/1/Add.1	2020-02-19	Category B notification - Extension of time request to notify Cat. B definitive dates
G/TFA/N/AFG/1	2018-03-02	Categories A, B and C notification

## Experience Sharing

### 11 - Transit

Date	Title
20 October 2020 - 22 October 2020	Status and challenges of Trade Facilitation Agreement Implementation in Afghanistan

Technical Assistance detailed information

1.2 Information available through internet



1.2.1 (a), (b), (c)  
1.2.2  
1.2.3

Indicative date of implementation  
31 December 2020

Definitive date of implementation  
To be determined

Assistance required for implementation

- Technical assistance and capacity building for establishment, operationalization and sustainability of Trade Facilitation Portal;
- Training for HR;
- Software and ICT infrastructure to maintain TFP and align with international best practices;
- Awareness raising for the private sector on the use of the portal.

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Infrastructure and equipment, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising*

1.3.1  
1.3.2  
1.3.3  
1.3.4**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2021

**Definitive date of implementation**

To be determined

**Assistance required for implementation**

- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.;
- Staff capacity building on operating and maintaining enquiry points;
- Technical assistance, capacity building training for HR and for establishment of and maintenance of enquiry points;
- Support on building institutional mechanism for the functioning of the EP; mandate, procedures, fees; position for the services of the EP within the designated government entity;
- ICT infrastructure and technology for maintaining enquiry points and creating database of requests and information provided, etc.;
- Awareness raising for the private sector on communication with enquiry points.

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising*

2.1.1  
2.1.2  
2.1.3

**Indicative date of implementation**  
31 December 2019

**Definitive date of implementation**  
To be determined

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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.;
- Staff capacity building on developing procedures; managing notification and public comment on proposed laws and regulations;
- Technical assistance and capacity building and training for HR on managing notification and public comment on proposed laws and regulations;
- Institutional support for establishment of efficient standing body, engaging traders' associations, creation of a single mechanism for providing and receiving comments and effective publishing of information, etc.;
- Awareness raising for the private sector on a new instrument and modalities for comments.

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising*



2.2

**Indicative date of implementation**  
31 December 2022**Definitive date of implementation**  
To be determined**Assistance required for implementation**

- Technical assistance and capacity building and HR training for developing public consultation strategy, procedures and on carrying out consultations;
- Legal support, including design, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.;
- Awareness raising for the private sector on consultation mechanism.

**Tags:** *Legislative and regulatory framework, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising*



3.1	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b>	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b>
3.2 (a), (b)	31 December 2019	To be determined

3.3

3.4

3.5

3.6 (a), (b), (c)

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3.9 (a) (i), (ii), (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (c), (d) • Technical assistance and capacity building for advance rulings implementation;

- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.;
- Equipment/technology for upgrading the laboratories;
- Awareness raising for the private sector on advance rulings mechanism.

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising*

5.1 (a), (b), (c), (d)

**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2023

**Definitive date of implementation**

To be determined

**Assistance required for implementation**

- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.;
- Technical assistance on the design and establishment of a notification system for enhanced controls or inspections;
- Capacity building and HR training on implementing a notification system for enhanced controls or inspections;
- ICT Infrastructure for establishing an automated notification system.

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment, Human resources and training*

5.3.1  
5.3.2  
5.3.3

**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2022

**Definitive date of implementation**

To be determined

**Assistance required for implementation**

- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.;
- Testing kits and other relevant laboratory equipment/materials;
- Technical support to develop testing parameters and accreditation for veterinary laboratories;
- ICT infrastructure, soft infrastructure (networking, automation, high-speed internet).

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment, Human resources and training*

7.1.1	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b>	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b>
7.1.2	31 December 2024	To be determined
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<b>Assistance required for implementation</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Technical assistance, capacity building and Hr training on pre –arrival processing, including required changes in the clearance procedure, changes in ASYCUDA and in risk management;</li><li>• Awareness raising for the private sector on pre-arrival processing mechanism;</li><li>• Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.</li></ul>		
<b>Tags:</b> <i>Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising</i>		



7.2	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b> 31 December 2024	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b> To be determined
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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Technical assistance on the design and establishment of an electronic payment system;
- ICT Infrastructure and equipment for enabling the system.

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Infrastructure and equipment*

Shift from Cat. B to Cat. C notification.

7.4.1	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b>	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b>
7.4.2	31 December 2024	To be determined
7.4.3		
7.4.4		
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<b>Assistance required for implementation</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.;</li><li>• Technical assistance on the design and establishment of a risk management system;</li><li>• ICT Infrastructure and equipment for an automated risk management system;</li><li>• Capacity building and HR training on implementing the risk management system.</li></ul>		
<b>Tags:</b> <i>Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment, Human resources and training</i>		
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Shift from Cat. B to Cat. C notification.		

7.5.1  
7.5.2  
7.5.3  
7.5.4

Indicative date of implementation	Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2024	To be determined

Assistance required for implementation

- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.;
- Technical assistance for mainstreaming of Post Clearance Audit into daily operations;
- Capacity building and HR training.

Tags: *Legislative and regulatory framework, Human resources and training*

Shift from Cat. B to Cat. C notification.



7.6.1  
7.6.2

Indicative date of implementation	Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2024	To be determined

Assistance required for implementation

- Technical assistance and capacity building and HR training on designing, planning and implementing TRS, including on building methodology, testing it and making it sustainable.

**Tags:** *Legislative and regulatory framework, Human resources and training*



7.7.1	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b>	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b>
7.7.2 (a) (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (i), (ii)	31 December 2024	To be determined
7.7.3 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g)		
7.7.4		
7.7.5		
7.7.6	<b>Assistance required for implementation</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.;</li><li>• Technical assistance and capacity building, HR training on design, implementation and review of authorized trader scheme, audit abilities</li><li>• Awareness raising for the private sector on application of the scheme</li></ul>	
	<b>Tags:</b> <i>Legislative and regulatory framework, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising</i>	

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7.8.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h)	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b>	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b>
7.8.2 (a), (b), (c), (d)	31 December 2022	To be determined
7.8.3		

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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.;
- Equipment and facilities for express cargo inspection.

**Tags:** *Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment*

8.1  
8.2 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)

**Indicative date of implementation**  
31 December 2027

**Definitive date of implementation**  
To be determined

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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, agreements, SoP, etc.;
- Technical assistance for putting in place technical arrangements for sharing of data and information, developing a strategy/framework for border agency cooperation;
- Capacity building and HR training on border agency cooperation and share of best practices;
- Equipment and facilities for border crossing points.

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment, Institutional procedures, Human resources and training*

10.2.1  
10.2.2  
10.2.3

**Indicative date of implementation**  
31 December 2022

**Definitive date of implementation**  
To be determined

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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, agreements, SoP, etc.;
- Technical assistance on developing a system for periodic review of formalities and documentation requirements;
- ICT infrastructure, technology and equipment for border agencies and government agencies;
- Capacity building of HR on the benefits of electronic documentation and processes and treatment of copies;
- Awareness raising for the private sector.

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising*

10.3.1  
10.3.2

**Indicative date of implementation**  
31 December 2027

**Definitive date of implementation**  
To be determined

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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, agreements, SoP, etc.;
- Technical assistance, capacity building, HR training on the relevant international standards, testing procedures and international best practices.

**Tags:** *Legislative and regulatory framework, Human resources and training*

10.4.1  
10.4.2  
10.4.3  
10.4.4

**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2027

**Definitive date of implementation**

To be determined

**Assistance required for implementation**

- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, agreements, SoP, etc.;
- Technical assistance in developing a comprehensive and operational SW system
- ICT Infrastructure and equipment for automation at each agency;
- ICT infrastructure and equipment for SW;
- Capacity building and training of HR on the use and implementation of SW;
- Awareness raising and capacity building for the private sector on the effective use of SW.



**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising*

11.5	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b> 31 December 2027	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b> To be determined
<hr/> <b>Assistance required for implementation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Physical infrastructure</li> </ul> <b>Tags:</b> <i>Infrastructure and equipment</i>		
11.9	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b> 31 December 2027	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b> To be determined
<hr/> <b>Assistance required for implementation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Technical assistance, capacity building and Hr training on pre –arrival processing, including required changes in the clearance procedure, changes in ASYCUDA and in risk management;</li> <li>• Awareness raising for the private sector on pre-arrival processing mechanism;</li> <li>• Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.</li> </ul> <b>Tags:</b> <i>Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising</i>		



12.2.1	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b>	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b>
12.2.2	31 December 2027	To be determined
12.3		
12.4.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f)		
12.4.2		
12.5.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f)	<b>Assistance required for implementation</b>	
12.5.2		
12.5.3		
12.6.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)	• Legal support on drafting agreements;	
12.6.2	• Technical assistance and capacity building on best practices in customs cooperation and drafting the agreements.	
12.7.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)		
12.7.2	<b>Tags:</b> <i>Legislative and regulatory framework, Human resources and training</i>	
12.8		
12.9.1		
12.9.2		
12.10 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h)		
12.11.1 (a), (b), (c)		
12.11.2		
12.12.1		
12.12.2		

**Legend**

<b>C</b>	Notified in Cat. C	<b>Cp</b>	Partially notified in C	<b>E</b>	Extension of time requested
	Donor arrangement notified		Donor arrangement not yet notified		

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