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REPORT (2021) OF THE COUNCIL FOR TRADE IN GOODS

In accordance with the "Procedures for an Annual Overview of WTO Activities and for Reporting under the WTO" (WT/L/105), the Council for Trade in Goods (CTG, or the Council) is to prepare an annual report each year to the General Council on the activities in the Council as well as those in its subsidiary bodies. The reports are to be "factual in nature, containing an indication of actions and decisions taken, with cross-references to reports of subordinate bodies and could follow the model of the GATT 1947 Council reports to the CONTRACTING PARTIES".

Since its 2020 Annual Report (G/L/1381) was issued, the CTG met three times in formal session on the following dates: 31 March and 1 April 2021 (G/C/M/139 and G/C/M/139/Add.1); 8-9 July 2021 (G/C/M/140); and 1-2 November 2021 (G/C/M/141¹). Furthermore, the CTG met four times in informal mode: on 11 February 2021 to discuss the issue of the functioning of the CTG and its subsidiary bodies, and on 31 March, 14 July, and 26 July 2021 to consider the slate of names for the appointment of Chairpersons of the CTG's subsidiary bodies.

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1 ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON OF THE COUNCIL FOR TRADE IN GOODS

1.1. At its meeting of 31 March, the Council elected by acclamation HE Mr Lundeg Purevsuren (Mongolia) as its Chairperson for 2021-2022.

2 APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS FOR THE SUBSIDIARY BODIES OF THE COUNCIL

2.1. At its meeting of 31 March, the Council suspended this agenda item until further notice pending the consultations of the outgoing Chairperson of the CTG. The process was subsequently conducted by Ambassador Dacio Castillo, Chairperson of the General Council.

2.2. The Council reverted to this agenda item on 26 July², when the Chairperson reported that Members had not been able to reach consensus on the slate of names of the subsidiary bodies and that consultations would continue to be held by the Chairperson of the General Council. At its meeting of 27-28 July³, the General Council agreed on the nominations of the following persons for election as Chairpersons of the subsidiary bodies of the Council for Trade in Goods for 2022:

² See document G/C/M/139/Add.1.

³ See document WT/GC/M/192.

CTG SUBSIDIARY BODY	CHAIRPERSON
Committee of Participants on the Expansion of Trade in Information Technology Products	Ms Katarzyna Stecz (Poland)
Committee on Agriculture	Mr Marcos Da Rosa Uranga (Uruguay)
Committee on Anti-dumping Practices	Mr Ahmed Al-Sulaiti (Qatar)
Committee on Customs Valuation	Mr Buddhi Prasad Upadhyaya (Nepal)
Committee on Import Licensing	Mr Hsin-lung Hung (Chinese Taipei)
Committee on Market Access	Mr Chakarin Komolsiri (Thailand)
Committee on Rules of Origin	Mr Sulaiman Satari (Afghanistan)
Committee on Safeguards	Ms Mary Lisa Madell (United Kingdom)
Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures	Mr Juteau Deadjufo Tousse (Cameroon)
Committee on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures	Ms Noriko Teranishi (Japan)
Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade	Mrs Elisa Maria Olmeda de Alejandro (Mexico)
Committee on Trade Facilitation	Mr Christopher O'Toole (Canada)
Committee on TRIMs	Ms Vilma Peltonen (Finland)
Working Party on State Trading Enterprises	Mr Sultan Alsharif (Saudi Arabia)

3 MARKET ACCESS ISSUES

3.1 Draft decision on the Procedure for the Introduction of Harmonized System 2022 Changes to Schedules of Concessions using the Consolidated Tariff Schedules (CTS) database

3.1. At its meeting of 1 November, the Council considered a draft decision on the Procedure for the Introduction of Harmonized System 2022 Changes to Schedules of Concessions using the CTS database. The Council approved the draft decision contained in document G/C/W/802 and recommended that it be forwarded to the General Council for adoption.

3.2 Collective waiver requests on the introduction of the Harmonized System 2002, 2007, 2012, and 2017

3.2. At its meeting of 1 November, the Council considered four collective waiver requests for an extension of the waivers in connection with the introduction of Harmonized System 2002, 2007, 2012, and 2017 changes into WTO Schedules of Concessions. The Council approved the waiver requests and recommended that the draft decisions contained in documents G/C/W/796, G/C/W/797, G/C/W/798, and G/C/W/799 be forwarded to the General Council for adoption.

4 WAIVERS UNDER ARTICLE IX OF THE WTO AGREEMENT

4.1 European Union – Request for a Waiver Extension – Application of Autonomous Preferential Treatment to the Western Balkans (G/C/W/794)

4.1. At its meeting of 8 July, the Council considered a request and draft decision by the European Union to extend the Waiver for the Application of Autonomous Preferential Treatment to the Western Balkans (document G/C/W/794), which would waive obligations under Article I:1 and Article XIII of the GATT 1994 for five years, until 31 December 2026. The Council approved the request for an extension of the waiver and agreed to forward the draft decision to the General Council for adoption.

4.2 Cuba - Request for an Extension of the Waiver concerning Article XV:6 of the GATT 1994 contained in the Decision of 7 December 2016 (WT/L/1003) (G/C/W/803)

4.2. At its meeting of 1 November, the Council considered a request and draft decision by Cuba to extend the waiver granted to Cuba in order to facilitate its compliance with Article XV:6 of the

GATT 1994 (document G/C/W/803). The Council approved the request for an extension of the waiver and agreed to forward the draft decision to the General Council for adoption.

5 NOTIFICATION OF REGIONAL TRADE AGREEMENTS

5.1. At its meetings of 31 March, 8 July, and 1 November, the Council was informed of the following notifications of regional trade agreements:

- UK – Ghana, Goods (WT/REG449/N/1);
- ASEAN – Hong Kong, China, Goods and Services (WT/REG448/N/1-S/C/N/1043);
- EU – UK, Goods and Services (WT/REG447/N/1-S/C/N/1041);
- Indonesia – Australia, Goods and Services (WT/REG446/N/1-S/C/N/1040);
- EU – ESA – Accession of Comoros, Goods (WT/REG445/N/1);
- Ukraine – Israel, Goods (WT/REG444/N/1);
- UK – SACU and Mozambique, Goods (WT/REG443/N/1);
- China – Mauritius, Goods and Services (WT/REG442/N/1-S/C/N/1037);
- 32 trade agreements notified by the UK: (1) UK-Colombia (G&S); (2) UK-Kosovo (G); (3) UK-Lebanon (G); (4) UK-Pacific States (G); (5) UK-Pacific States (Samoa) (G); (6) UK-Pacific States (Solomon Islands) (G); (7) UK-Palestine (G); (8) UK-Kenya (G); (9) UK-Cameroon (G); (10) UK-Canada (G); (11) UK-CARIFORUM (G&S); (12) UK-Côte d'Ivoire (G); (13) UK-Central America (G&S); (14) UK-Chile (G&S); (15) UK-Faroe Islands (Denmark) (G); (16) UK-Ecuador and Peru (G&S); (17) UK-Egypt (G); (18) UK-ESA (G); (19) UK-Israel (G); (20) UK-Morocco (G); (21) UK-Norway and Iceland (G); (22) UK-Republic of Korea (G&S); (23) UK-Singapore (G&S); (24) UK-Tunisia (G); (25) UK-Turkey (G); (26) UK-Ukraine (G&S); (27) UK-Viet Nam (G&S); (28) UK-Switzerland and Liechtenstein (G); (29) UK-North Macedonia (G&S); (30) UK-Republic of Moldova (G&S); (31) UK-Georgia (G&S); (32) UK-Japan (G&S) (WT/REG410/N/1 to WT/REG441/N/1);
- Communication by the European Union and the United Kingdom (WT/REG/GEN/N/10) – Notification of Inactive Agreements;
- EU Treaty (WT/REG39/N/1-S/C/N/6/ADD.1) – Notification of Changes;
- Partnership, Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the United Kingdom and Serbia, Goods (WT/REG455/N/1);
- Partnership, Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the United Kingdom and Albania, Goods (WT/REG454/N/1);
- Association Agreement between the United Kingdom and Jordan, Goods (WT/REG453/N/1);
- Free Trade Agreement between the Republic of Korea and Central America, Goods (WT/REG452/N/1);
- Pacific Agreement on Closer Economic Relations Plus (Pacer Plus), Goods (WT/REG451/N/1);
- Trade Agreement between Namibia and Zimbabwe, Goods (WT/REG450/N/1);
- Partnership, Trade and Cooperation Agreement between the United Kingdom and Kosovo, Goods (WT/REG411/N/1/Rev.1);
- Economic Partnership Agreement between the United Kingdom and the CARIFORUM States, Goods (WT/REG420/N/1/Add.1);
- Interim Agreement establishing an Economic Partnership Agreement between the United Kingdom and Cameroon, Goods (WT/REG418/N/1/Add.1);
- Economic Partnership Agreement between the United Kingdom and Kenya, Goods (WT/REG417/N/1/Add.1);
- Association Agreement between the European Union and Central America, Goods (WT/REG332/N/1/Add.1);
- ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA), Goods (WT/REG457/N/1);
- ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA), Goods (WT/REG457/N/1/Add.1);
- Trade Continuity Agreement between the United Kingdom and Mexico, Goods and Services (WT/REG456/N/1-S/C/N/1060); and
- Agreement on Trade Continuity between the United Kingdom and Canada, Goods and Services (WT/REG419/N/1/Add.1-S/C/N/1061).

6 STATUS OF NOTIFICATIONS UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE AGREEMENTS IN ANNEX 1A OF THE WTO AGREEMENT (G/L/223/REV.28)

6.1. At its meeting of 31 March, the Council took note of document G/L/223/Rev.28, informing Members about the status of notifications under the provisions of the Agreements in Annex IA of the WTO Agreement.

7 ACCESSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA AND OF THE KYRGYZ REPUBLIC TO THE EURASIAN ECONOMIC UNION (EAEU): PROCEDURES UNDER ARTICLE XXVIII:3 OF THE GATT 1994**7.1 Accession of the Republic of Armenia and of the Kyrgyz Republic to the Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU): Procedures under Article XXVIII:3 of GATT 1994 – Request from the European Union**

7.1. At its meeting of 31 March, the Council took note of the statement made by the European Union, echoed by Switzerland, recalling the progress that had been achieved in negotiations with Armenia and the Kyrgyz Republic on tariffs for non-agricultural products, but noting that this had not been the case for agriculture. The European Union hoped that the parties would pursue talks with a view to concluding negotiations as soon as possible.

7.2 Accession of the Republic of Armenia to the Eurasian Economic Union: Procedures Under Article XXVIII:3 of the GATT 1994 – Communication from Armenia (G/L/1110/Add.7)

7.2. At its meeting of 1 November, the Council took note of the information provided by Armenia relating to its renegotiations under Article XXVIII:3 of GATT 1994, following its accession to the Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU), and considered the extension of the deadline set out in document G/L/1110/Add.7. The Council took note of the statements made by the European Union and the Russian Federation and approved the requested extension until 2 January 2023.

7.3 Accession of the Kyrgyz Republic to the Eurasian Economic Union: Procedures under Article XXVIII:3 of the GATT 1994 – Communication from the Kyrgyz Republic (G/L/1137/Add.6)

7.3. At its meeting of 1 November, the Council took note of the information provided by the Kyrgyz Republic relating to its renegotiations under Article XXVIII:3 of GATT 1994 following its accession to the EAEU and considered the extension of the deadline set out in document G/L/1137/Add.6. The Council took note of the statement made by the European Union and approved the requested extension until 12 February 2023.

8 MEASURES TO ALLOW GRADUATED LDCS, WITH GNP BELOW US\$1,000, BENEFITS PURSUANT TO ANNEX VII(B) OF THE AGREEMENT ON SUBSIDIES AND COUNTERVAILING MEASURES (WT/GC/W/742-G/C/W/752)

8.1. At its meeting of 31 March, the Council took note of the statements made by Bangladesh, on behalf of the LDC Group, and supported by Chad, Brazil, India, Nepal, Nigeria, Turkey, and Vanuatu, asking Members to consider the proposal to allow graduated LDC Members to benefit from the exception provided under Article 27.2(a) of the SCM Agreement to developing countries listed in Annex VII(b). Additional information was requested by the European Union and the United States.

8.2. At its meeting of 8 July, the Council took note of the statements made by Chad and Bangladesh, on behalf of the LDC Group, and supported by Brazil, India, Nepal, and Turkey, renewing their request for Members to consider the proposal. Additional information was requested by the European Union and the United States.

8.3. At its meeting of 1 November, the Council took note of the statements made by Bangladesh, on behalf of the LDC Group, and supported by Angola, Brazil, India, Nepal, Nigeria, and Turkey, renewing their request for Members to consider the proposal. Additional statistical information was requested by the European Union and the United States with a view to determining the GNP for all Members.

9 PROCEDURES UNDER ARTICLE XXVIII OF THE GATT 1994: WITHDRAWAL OF THE UNITED KINGDOM FROM THE EUROPEAN UNION (G/L/1385, G/L/1385/ADD.1, G/L/1386, AND G/L/1386/ADD.1)

9.1. At its meeting of 31 March, the Council approved the European Union's request for a six-month extension to preserve Members' rights to withdraw substantially equivalent concessions under Article XXVIII:3 of the GATT 1994 made in relation to the apportionment of the EU's tariff rate quota concessions following the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union⁴ (G/L/1385). The Council also approved the United Kingdom's request for a six-month extension to preserve Members' rights to withdraw substantially equivalent concessions under Article XXVIII:3 of the GATT 1994 made in relation to the ongoing renegotiations on the establishment of the United Kingdom's Schedule of Concessions, following its withdrawal from the European Union⁵ (G/L/1386). The Council approved both extensions until 1 January 2022.

9.2. At its meeting of 1 November, the Council approved the European Union's request for a six-month extension to preserve Members' rights to withdraw substantially equivalent concessions under Article XXVIII:3 of the GATT 1994⁶ (G/L/1385/Add.1). The Council also approved the United Kingdom's request for a six-month extension (G/L/1386/Add.1). The Council approved both extensions until 1 July 2022.

10 EUROPEAN UNION - RECTIFICATION AND MODIFICATION OF SCHEDULES - SCHEDULE CLXXV

10.1. At its meeting of 1 November, the Council took note of the statement made by the European Union expressing concern over Russia's remaining reservation on the EU draft Schedule CLXXV following the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union. The Council also took note of the statement made by the Russian Federation.

11 UPDATE ON PROCEDURES TO ENHANCE TRANSPARENCY AND STRENGTHEN NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS UNDER WTO AGREEMENTS – ARGENTINA; AUSTRALIA; CANADA; CHILE; COSTA RICA; EUROPEAN UNION; ISRAEL; JAPAN; REPUBLIC OF KOREA; NEW ZEALAND; NORWAY; THE PHILIPPINES; SINGAPORE; SWITZERLAND; THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU; UNITED KINGDOM; AND UNITED STATES⁷

11.1. At its meeting of 31 March, the United States, on behalf of the co-sponsors, informed the Council that they remained committed to advancing this proposal in 2021 as they considered transparency to be essential for the continued functioning and relevance of the WTO as an institution.

11.2. At its meeting of 8 July, the United States introduced, on behalf of the co-sponsors, a revised transparency proposal (JOB/GC/204/Rev.5-JOB/CTG/14/Rev.5), which was the result of extensive consultations with Members. The key changes included the following: (i) completely removing financial penalties from administrative measures; (ii) expanding the role of the Working Group on Notifications to include opportunities for process improvements and other actions to help Members to comply with their notification obligations; (iii) adding a multi-year transition period between the adoption of a decision and the application of administrative measures; (iv) suggesting changes to Trade Policy Reviews to include a focus on Members' compliance with notification obligations; (v) allowing any Member to request technical assistance and capacity-building support from the Secretariat to help it meet its notification obligations (that is, including developed countries); (vi) making the administrative measures more proportionate; and (vii) making all notifications subject to administrative measures after the same amount of time following the relevant notification deadline (that is, no differentiation for notifications under the Agreement on Agriculture). Argentina, Chile, Norway, and Singapore took the floor to request to join the proposal as co-sponsors. A number of other Members supported the revision, noted that it was a step in the right direction, and congratulated the co-sponsors on their inclusive approach. Other delegations again expressed their

⁴ Document G/SECRET/42.

⁵ Document G/SECRET/44.

⁶ Document G/SECRET/42.

⁷ At the time of this report, the latest version of the proposal is contained in document JOB/GC/204/Rev.7-JOB/CTG/14/Rev.7.

concerns with respect to certain aspects of the proposal, and in particular the administrative measures that remained.

12 TRADE CONCERNS

12.1. At its meeting of 31 March, 32 trade concerns were brought to the Council's attention, including the following five new trade concerns: (i) the European Union's COVID-19 vaccine export transparency and authorization measure; (ii) India's mandatory certification for steel products; (iii) India's import restrictions on air conditioners; (iv) Mexico's conformity assessment procedures for cheese under a 2018 Mexican official standard; and (v) Sweden's Discriminatory Market Access Prohibition on 5G Equipment. Detailed information is provided in Annex 1.

12.2. At its meeting of 8 July, 35 trade concerns were brought to the Council's attention, including the following ten new trade concerns: (i) India's Caustic Soda Quality Control Order; (ii) India's import policy on tyres; (iii) Sri Lanka's import ban on palm oil; (iv) India's standards and import restrictions in the automotive sector; (v) India's Plain Copier Paper Quality Order 2020; (vi) China's Cosmetics Supervision and Administration Regulations (CSAR); (vii) China's subsidy transparency and publication and inquiry point obligations under its Protocol of Accession; (viii) the EU's Green Deal; (ix) the UK's extension of safeguard measures on certain steel products; and (x) the EU's extension of safeguard measures on certain steel products. Detailed information is provided in Annex 2.

12.3. At its meeting of 1 November, 37 trade concerns were brought to the Council's attention, including the following five new trade concerns: (i) China's Administrative Measures for Registration of Overseas Producers of Imported Foods; (ii) India's Order Related to Requirement of Non-GM Cum GM Free Certificate Accompanied with Imported Food Consignment; (iii) Kingdom of Saudi Arabia's Saber Conformity Assessment Online Platform/Saleem Product Safety Program; (iv) Panama's Onions and Potatoes Harvest Life and Sprouting Requirements; and (v) Indonesia's Import Substitution Programme. Detailed information is provided in Annex 3.

13 WORK PROGRAMME ON ELECTRONIC COMMERCE

13.1. At its meeting of 31 March, the Council took note of the statements made by Chad (on behalf of the LDC Group), India, Pakistan, and Ukraine, calling for the reinvigoration of the Work Programme and discussions on the Moratorium on electronic transmissions. Members referred to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on international trade, and to the negative health, economic, and social impact on LDCs. They noted that, in light of the unfolding digital revolution, it was important to first understand the issues surrounding E-Commerce, such as its effects on competition and market structures, transfer of technology, data storage, and automation, as well as its impact on traditional jobs and gaps in regulatory frameworks in developing countries. Therefore, it was necessary to analyse the financial and policy implications of the Moratorium for developing countries before any attempt was made at rule-making, in order to avoid a further widening of the digital divide.

13.2. At its meeting of 8 July, the Council took note of the statements made by Chad (on behalf of the LDC Group), India, Nepal, Pakistan, Norway, and Indonesia. Members again highlighted the importance of comprehending the full implications of the effects of E-Commerce. In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, immediate interventions were essential through the Work Programme and a comprehensive approach was necessary to ensure that weaker economies benefitted from E-Commerce in a just manner. One Member expressed its strong support for the Work Programme, including the Moratorium, and welcomed all discussions, both in the CTG and in other relevant fora.

13.3. At its meeting of 1 November, the Council took note of the statements made by Norway, Pakistan, and the United States. The United States noted that this item was not a standing agenda item; rather, it should be requested by a Member. Norway and Pakistan expressed their support for the reinvigoration of the Work Programme. Norway recalled that a group of Members had submitted a proposal to the General Council requesting the renewal of the Moratorium of tariffs on electronic transmissions.

14 FUNCTIONING OF THE COUNCIL FOR TRADE IN GOODS AND ITS SUBSIDIARY BODIES

14.1. At its meeting of 31 March, the Council's Chairperson recalled the discussions at the informal meeting in February 2021, including those on a year plan of meetings, the possible introduction of a draft collective eAgenda, the conduct of CTG meetings, and regular Secretariat induction meetings for new CTG delegates, and he encouraged delegations to continue reflecting on these issues.

14.2. At its meetings of 8 July and 1 November, the Council's Chairperson provided information on his coordination with the Chairpersons and Secretaries of the CTG's subsidiary bodies with a view to avoiding meeting overlaps and to improving the sequencing of meeting dates of the CTG and its subsidiary bodies in 2021 and 2022.⁸

15 CONSIDERATION OF ANNUAL REPORTS OF SUBSIDIARY BODIES OF THE COUNCIL FOR TRADE IN GOODS

15.1. At its meeting of 1 November, the Council took note of the annual reports of its subsidiary bodies.⁹ Since their meetings took place after the last Council meeting of 2021, the Annual Reports of the TBT and SPS Committees would be submitted directly to the General Council at its next regular meeting.

16 SECRETARIAT STAFF CHANGES IN CONNECTION WITH THE COUNCIL FOR TRADE IN GOODS

16.1. At its meeting of 31 March, the Council was informed that Mr Alejandro Gamboa-Alder would retire from the Secretariat by end-May 2021, and that Mr Roy Santana would replace him as Secretary to the Council.

⁸ Documents RD/CTG/13, RD/CTG/14, and RD/CTG/14/Corr.1.

⁹ Anti-Dumping Practices (G/L/1415); Customs Valuation (G/L/1410); Import Licensing (G/L/1406); ITA (G/L/1412); Market Access (G/L/1407); Pre-shipment Inspection and Independent Entity (G/L/1411); Rules of Origin (G/L/1405); Safeguards (G/L/1417); Subsidies and Countervailing Measures (G/L/1414); Trade Facilitation (G/L/1416); TRIMs (G/L/1404); and Working Party on State Trading Enterprises (G/L/1403).

ANNEX 1:
TRADE CONCERNS CONSIDERED AT THE CTG MEETING OF 31 MARCH 2021

No.	Trade concern	Member(s) raising the concern	Other Member(s) intervening
1	Angola – Import Restricting Practices	Russian Federation	United States
2	Australia – Discriminatory Market Access Prohibition on 5G Equipment	China	
3	China – Customs Duties on Certain Integrated Circuits	European Union and Japan	Chinese Taipei
4	China – Export Control Law	European Union and Japan	
5	China – Implementation of Trade Disruptive and Restrictive Measures	Australia	
6	China – Measures Restricting the Import of Scrap Materials	United States	Canada and New Zealand
7	Egypt – Import Restrictions for Sugar	European Union	Brazil
8	Egypt – Manufacturer Registration System	European Union and Russian Federation	Republic of Korea and Turkey
9	European Union – Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (the European Green Deal of December 2019)	Armenia, China, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Qatar, and Russian Federation	Argentina, Australia, Kingdom of Bahrain, Brazil, Canada, Egypt, Republic of Korea, Mexico, Pakistan, Paraguay, Philippines, Chinese Taipei, Turkey, United States, and Uruguay
10	European Union - COVID-19 Vaccine Export Transparency and Authorization Measure	Australia	Canada, Colombia, Ecuador, Egypt, India, Japan, Republic of Korea, Mexico, New Zealand, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Saint Lucia, Switzerland, Turkey, United Kingdom, and Vanuatu
11	European Union – Draft Implementing Regulations Regarding Protected Designations of Origin and Geographical Indications, Traditional Terms, Labelling and Presentation of Certain Wine Sector Products	United States	Argentina and New Zealand
12	European Union – Implementation of Non-Tariff Barriers on Agricultural Products	Australia, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, Jamaica, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, United States, and Uruguay	Argentina, Chile, and India
13	European Union – Proposed Modification of TRQ Commitments: Systemic Concerns	Australia, Brazil, China, New Zealand, and Uruguay	Canada, India, Mexico, Paraguay, Switzerland
14	European Union – Quality Schemes for Agricultural Products and Foodstuffs – the Registration of Certain Terms of Cheese as Geographical Indications	Uruguay	Argentina and New Zealand
15	European Union – Regulation (EU) No. 2017/2321 and Regulation (EU) No. 2018/825	China and Russian Federation	
16	European Union – Regulation EC No. 1272/2008 (CLP Regulation)	Russian Federation	
17	European Union – Sweden's Discriminatory Market Access Prohibition on 5G Equipment	China	
18	India – Import Restrictions on Air Conditioners	Japan	
19	India – Mandatory Certification for Steel Products	Japan	
20	India – Restrictions on Imports of Certain Pulses	Australia, Canada, European Union, Russian Federation, Ukraine, and United States	Argentina and India

No.	Trade concern	Member(s) raising the concern	Other Member(s) intervening
21	Indonesia – Import and Export Restricting Policies and Practices	Australia, European Union, Japan, New Zealand, and United States	
22	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia – Trade Restrictive Policies and Practices Concerning Turkey	Turkey	
23	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of Bahrain, United Arab Emirates, State of Kuwait, Oman, and Qatar – Selective Tax on Certain Imported Products	European Union, Japan, Switzerland, and United States	
24	Mexico – Conformity Assessment Procedure for Cheese under Mexican Official Standard NOM-223-SCFI/SAGARPA-2018	United States	
25	Mongolia – Measures Applied with Respect to Certain Agricultural Products	Russian Federation	
26	Russian Federation – Trade Restricting Practices	European Union and United States	Australia and Ukraine
27	Sri Lanka – Import Ban on Various Products	Australia and European Union	Argentina and Japan
28	United Kingdom – Draft Goods Schedule and Proposed UK TRQ Commitments: Systemic Concerns	Australia, Brazil, China, New Zealand, Russian Federation, and Uruguay	China, India, Mexico, Paraguay, Switzerland, and United Kingdom
29	United States – Executive Order on Securing the Bulk-Power System	China	
30	United States – Export Control Measures for ICT Products	China	
31	United States – Import Restrictions on Apples and Pears	European Union	
32	United States – Measures Regarding Market Access Prohibition for ICT Products	China	

ANNEX 2:
TRADE CONCERNS CONSIDERED AT THE CTG MEETING OF 8 JULY 2021

No.	Trade concern	Member(s) raising the concern	Other Member(s) intervening
1	Angola – Import Restricting Practices	Russian Federation	European Union and United States
2	Australia – Discriminatory Market Access Prohibition on 5G Equipment	China	
3	China – Cosmetics Supervision and Administration Regulations (CSAR)	Australia, Japan, and United States	European Union, Republic of Korea, and New Zealand
4	China – Export Control Law	European Union and Japan	Australia and United States
5	China – Implementation of Trade Disruptive and Restrictive Measures	Australia	Canada, European Union, Japan, New Zealand, United Kingdom, and United States
6	China – Measures Restricting the Import of Scrap Materials	United States	New Zealand
7	China – Subsidy Transparency and China's Publication and Inquiry Point Obligations under China's Protocol of Accession	Australia, Canada, European Union, Japan, United Kingdom, and United States	
8	Egypt – Manufacturer Registration System	European Union and Russian Federation	Turkey
9	European Union – Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (the European Green Deal of December 2019)	Armenia, Kingdom of Bahrain, China, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Qatar, Russian Federation, and Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	Argentina, Australia, Brazil, India, Japan, Republic of Korea, New Zealand, Pakistan, Chinese Taipei, Turkey, Uruguay, and United States
10	European Union – Extension of Safeguard Measures on Certain Steel Products*	Brazil	
11	European Union – Implementation of Non-Tariff Barriers on Agricultural Products	Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Honduras, Jamaica, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, United States, and Uruguay	Chile, Guatemala, and India
12	European Union – Proposed Modification of TRQ Commitments: Systemic Concerns	Brazil, China, and Uruguay	Canada, Chile, India, Mexico, New Zealand, and Paraguay
13	European Union – Quality Schemes for Agricultural Products and Foodstuffs – the Registration of Certain Terms of Cheese as Geographical Indications	Argentina and Uruguay	New Zealand
14	European Union – Regulation (EU) No. 2017/2321 and Regulation (EU) No. 2018/825	China and Russian Federation	
15	European Union – Regulation EC No. 1272/2008 (CLP Regulation)	Russian Federation	
16	European Union – Sweden's Discriminatory Market Access Prohibition on 5G Equipment	China	
17	European Union – the European Green Deal	Russian Federation	Brazil, Paraguay, and Uruguay
18	India – Caustic Soda Quality Control Order	Chinese Taipei	
19	India – Import Policy on Tyres	European Union, Indonesia, and Chinese Taipei	Republic of Korea
20	India – Import Restrictions on Air Conditioners	Japan	
21	India - Indian Standards and Import Restriction in the Automotive Sector (Quality Control Orders): Wheel Rims, Safety Glass, Helmet	Indonesia	
22	India – Mandatory Certification for Steel Products	Japan	

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23	India - Plain Copier Paper Quality Order 2020	Indonesia	
24	India – Restrictions on Imports of Certain Pulses	Australia, Canada, European Union, Russian Federation, and United States	Ukraine
25	Indonesia – Import and Export Restricting Policies and Practices	European Union, Japan, New Zealand, and United States	Norway
26	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates, the State of Kuwait, Oman, and Qatar – Selective Tax on Certain Imported Products	European Union, Japan, Switzerland, and United States	
27	Mexico – Conformity Assessment Procedure for Cheese under Mexican Official Standard NOM-223-SCFI/SAGARPA-2018	United States	
28	Russian Federation – Trade Restricting Practices	European Union and United States	Australia
29	Sri Lanka - Import Ban on Palm Oil	Indonesia	Colombia and Malaysia
30	Sri Lanka – Import Ban on Various Products	Australia and European Union	Japan
31	United Kingdom – Draft Goods Schedule and Proposed UK TRQ Commitments: Systemic Concerns	Brazil, China, Russian Federation, and Uruguay	Australia, Canada, and India
32	United Kingdom – Extension of Safeguard Measures on Certain Steel Products*	Brazil and Switzerland	Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Turkey
33	United States – Export Control Measures for ICT Products	China	
34	United States – Import Restrictions on Apples and Pears	European Union	
35	United States – Measures Regarding Market Access Prohibition for ICT Products	China	

* Raised under agenda item "Other Business".

ANNEX 3:
TRADE CONCERNS CONSIDERED AT THE CTG MEETING OF 1 NOVEMBER 2021

No.	Trade concern	Member(s) raising the concern	Other Member(s) intervening
1	Angola – Import Restricting Practices	Russian Federation	European Union and United States
2	Australia – Discriminatory Market Access Prohibition on 5G Equipment	China	
3	China – Administrative Measures for Registration of Overseas Producers of Imported Foods	United States	Australia, Brazil, Canada, European Union, Republic of Korea, Mexico, Norway, Switzerland, Chinese Taipei, and United Kingdom
4	China – Cosmetics Supervision and Administration Regulations (CSAR)	Australia, European Union, Japan, and the United States	New Zealand and Republic of Korea
5	China – Export Control Law	European Union and Japan	Australia, Canada, and United States
6	China – Implementation of Trade Disruptive and Restrictive Measures	Australia	Canada, European Union, Japan, New Zealand, United Kingdom, and United States
7	China – Subsidy Transparency and China's Publication and Inquiry Point Obligations under China's Protocol of Accession	Australia, European Union, United Kingdom, and United States	Canada and Japan
8	Egypt – Manufacturer Registration System	European Union	Turkey and United States
9	European Union – Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (the European Green Deal of December 2019)	China and Russian Federation	Australia, Brazil, Canada, India, Japan, Kazakhstan, Republic of Korea, Mozambique, New Zealand, Paraguay, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, and Uruguay
10	European Union – Implementation of Non-Tariff Barriers on Agricultural Products	Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Jamaica, Panama, Paraguay, United States, and Uruguay	Guatemala, India, and Nigeria
11	European Union – Proposed Modification of TRQ Commitments: Systemic Concerns	Brazil, China, and Uruguay	Canada, India, Mexico, New Zealand, and Paraguay
12	European Union – Quality Schemes for Agricultural Products and Foodstuffs – the Registration of Certain Terms of Cheese as Geographical Indications	Uruguay	Argentina and New Zealand
13	European Union – Regulation (EU) 2017/2321 and Regulation (EU) 2018/825	China and Russian Federation	
14	European Union – Regulation EC No. 1272/2008 (CLP Regulation)	Russian Federation	
15	European Union – Sweden's Discriminatory Market Access Prohibition on 5G Equipment	China	
16	European Union – The European Green Deal	Russian Federation	Brazil, Paraguay, and Qatar
17	India – Import Policy on Tyres	European Union, Indonesia, and Chinese Taipei	Republic of Korea and Thailand
18	India – Import Restriction on Air Conditioners India – Indian Standards and Import Restriction in the Automotive Sector (Quality Control Orders): Wheel Rims, Safety Glass, Helmets	Japan	Thailand
19	Indonesia		
20	India – Mandatory Certification for Steel Products	Japan	Republic of Korea

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21	India – Order Related to Requirement of Non-GM Cum GM Free Certificate Accompanied with Imported Food Consignment	United States	Canada and Uruguay
22	India - Plain Copier Paper Quality Order 2020	Indonesia	
23	India – Restrictions on Imports of Certain Pulses	Australia, Canada, European Union, Russian Federation, and United States	Argentina
24	Indonesia – Import and Export Restricting Policies and Practices	European Union, Japan, New Zealand, and United States	Norway
25	Indonesia – Import Substitution Programme	European Union	Japan, Switzerland, and United States
26	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia – Saber Conformity Assessment Online Platform/Saleem Product Safety Program	United States	Switzerland
27	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates, the State of Kuwait, Oman, and Qatar – Selective Tax on Certain Imported Products	European Union, Switzerland, and United States	
28	Mexico – Conformity Assessment Procedure for Cheese Under Mexican Official Standard NOM-223-SCFI/SAGARPA-2018	United States	
29	Mongolia – Measures Applied with Respect to Certain Agricultural Products	Russian Federation	
30	Panama – Onions and Potatoes Harvest Life and Sprouting Requirements	United States	
31	Russian Federation – Trade Restricting Practices	European Union and United States	Australia
32	Sri Lanka – Import Ban on Palm Oil	Indonesia	Colombia
33	Sri Lanka – Import Ban on Various Products	Australia and European Union	Argentina, Japan, and Thailand
34	United Kingdom – Draft Goods Schedule and Proposed UK TRQ Commitments: Systemic Concerns	Brazil, China, Russian Federation, and Uruguay	Canada, India, New Zealand, and Paraguay
35	United States – Export Control Measures for ICT Products	China	
36	United States – Import Restrictions on Apples and Pears	European Union	
37	United States – Measures Regarding Market Access Prohibition for ICT Products	China	