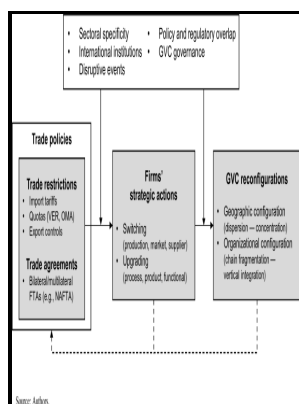


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### Trade Policy Review

The authorities are currently preparing a database of technical regulations.

### U.S. Statement at the Trade Policy Review of the Dominican Republic

The formulation and implementation of trade policies in the Dominican Republic are closely coordinated among the different ministries and agencies concerned. The regulatory framework for the Dominican financial system does not establish any special conditions or impose restrictions on the establishment of financial intermediation entities, whether domestic or foreign. The telecommunications market is governed by the rules of free and fair competition, and operators are prohibited from applying unequal conditions for equivalent services that place some competitors at a disadvantage relative to others.

### Trade Policy Review

The Dominican Republic provides limited support to its agricultural sector. We are also concerned by the widespread availability of pirated and counterfeit goods, particularly by the prevalence of broadcast signal piracy. During the period from 2008 to 2014, the Dominican Republic submitted 82 notifications to the WTO Committee on Sanitary and Phytosanitary measures.

### WTO

In area of domestic support, the main programme still targets rice producers, and covers storage and the financial costs linked to the loans obtained by farmers, such as interest and insurance.

### WTO

By December of 2014, the Dominican Republic was granting tariff preferences for imports from 48 countries. We are pleased that the Dominican Republic has demonstrated a firm commitment to the WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement, submitting its schedule A commitments, making progress in several TFA substantive areas and stating its intention to secure the necessary domestic authorization to ratify the TFA before MC10 in Nairobi.

## **WTO**

The Dominican Republic currently participates in four free trade agreements FTAs : CAFTA-DR, the Economic Partnership Agreement EPA between the European Union and the member countries of the Caribbean Forum CARIFORUM , and the FTAs with CARICOM and Central America. In addition to these regimes, there are support programmes for small and medium enterprises as well as regional support programmes.

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