



Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

13-15 NOVEMBER 2019 TBT COMMITTEE MEETING

ANNOTATED DRAFT AGENDA¹

Revision

The Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade (hereafter "the Committee") will hold its next regular meeting on 13-15 November, starting at 15:00 on 13 November. The regular meeting will be preceded by the Thematic Session on Standards (incorporating standards by reference in regulations) starting at 10:00 on 12 November, and the Thematic Session on Conformity Assessment Procedures (National Quality Infrastructure) starting at 15:00 on 12 November and continuing at 10:00 on 13 November. The latest thematic session programmes are contained in [JOB/TBT/341](#) and [JOB/TBT/342](#). An [ePing](#) walk-in session will take place on 13 November at 14:00, in Room F. Relevant documents for the meeting are available at "[Documents for meetings](#)" on the WTO website. The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee are contained in [G/TBT/M/78](#) and [G/TBT/M/78/Corr.1](#).

The following are the proposed items for the TBT Committee agenda:

1 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda is contained in WTO/AIR/TBT/15 issued on 15 October 2019. Delegations are invited to indicate any items they may wish to raise under "Other Business" (Item 6).

2 IMPLEMENTATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE AGREEMENT

(A) Statements from Members under Article 15.2

Since 1995, 142 Members have submitted at least one Statement on Implementation under Article 15.2. Information about Members' enquiry points is available on the [TBT Information Management System](#) (TBT IMS).

(B) Specific Trade Concerns

- **New and Previously raised concerns (Listed in Annex)**

The Annex to this document contains a list of specific trade concerns which Members have communicated their intention to raise at the current meeting.

- **Reported Progress**

Members are invited to update the Committee on any resolutions or positive developments related to specific trade concerns raised at previous meetings.

- **eAgenda**

The Secretariat will update the Committee on eAgenda, the new STC submission system.

¹ This document has been prepared under the Secretariat's own responsibility and is without prejudice to the positions of Members or to their rights and obligations under the WTO.

(C) Exchange of Experiences**(i) Standards**

The moderator will provide an oral report of the Thematic Session on Standards (Incorporating standards by reference in regulations) held on 12 November.

(ii) Conformity Assessment Procedures

The moderator will provide an oral report of the Thematic Session on Conformity Assessment Procedures (National Quality Infrastructure), held on 12-13 November.

(D) Follow-up on Committee Decisions and Recommendations

Delegations wishing to raise any matter relevant to the follow-up on the Eighth Triennial Review ([G/TBT/41](#) and [JOB/TBT/273/Rev.5](#)), or any other previous Committee decisions and recommendations ([G/TBT/1/Rev.14](#)), are invited to do so under this sub-item.

(i) Conformity Assessment Procedures: Guidelines

- The Committee will continue discussions on developing guidelines on conformity assessment procedures ([G/TBT/41](#), para. 4.17(b) and [JOB/TBT/273/Rev.5](#), section 2.2). To date, submissions have been received from the United States ([JOB/TBT/326](#)) and the European Union ([JOB/TBT/322](#)). This discussion may, as appropriate, be undertaken in informal mode.

(ii) Transparency: Adopted final texts

- Delegations will be invited to adopt the proposed draft revised addendum format contained in [JOB/TBT/344](#) ([G/TBT/41](#), para. 6.19(e)(ii)). For ease of reference, hard copies of the proposed revised addenda format will be made available in the room.

(iii) Transparency: Update from the Secretariat

- The WTO Secretariat will provide a brief update regarding its follow up actions related to specific recommendations on transparency. ([G/TBT/41](#), para. 6.19).

(E) Other Matters

Delegations wishing to raise any other matter relevant to the implementation and administration of the Agreement are invited to do so under this sub-item.

3 TECHNICAL COOPERATION ACTIVITIES

Under this agenda item, Members are invited to provide any general information on their technical assistance activities. The WTO Secretariat will provide an update related to its technical assistance activities, including on the November 2019 TBT Advanced Short Course, and recent activities related to Quality Infrastructure.

4 UPDATING BY OBSERVERS

Under this agenda item, Observers are invited to update the Committee on relevant work, including on technical cooperation. A list of organizations whose requests for observer status are pending is contained in [G/TBT/GEN/2/Rev.14](#), circulated on 19 February 2018. A room document containing the requests is contained in [RD/TBT/1/Rev.6](#), circulated on 3 November 2017.

5 REPORT (2019) OF THE COMMITTEE ON TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE

A draft of the Committee's 2019 Annual Report to the Council for Trade in Goods is contained in document [JOB/TBT/337](#), dated 9 October 2019. Members will be invited to adopt this report.

6 OTHER BUSINESS

Any issues raised by Members under Item 1 will be addressed here.

7 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Committee is scheduled for 26-27 February 2020. It will be preceded by an informal meeting on 25 February.

ANNEX

NEW SPECIFIC TRADE CONCERNS

	Specific Trade Concern	Notification symbol	Brief description of measure	Proposed/Final Measure	Member(s) raising
1	European Union - Revised Draft EU Regulation on Ecological Design Requirements for External Power Supply	G/TBT/N/EU/605		Proposed Measure	China
2	Brazil - Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Food Supply – MAPA Ordinance 79, of 13 May 2019 establishing a public consultation to amend the Technical Regulation 67, 05 November 2018 regarding the procedures and requirements for export and import certification of beverages, fermented acetic, wines and wine and grapes derived products	G/TBT/N/BRA/853 G/TBT/N/BRA/853/Add.1/Corr.1		Proposed Measure	United States
3	India - Air Conditioner and its related Parts (Quality Control) Order, 2018	G/TBT/N/IND/74		Proposed Measure	Republic of Korea
4	China - Management Measures for Compulsory National Standards (Review draft)	G/TBT/N/CHN/1329		Proposed Measure	United States
5	Ecuador - Energy Efficiency Requirements for Clothes Dryers for Domestic Use	G/TBT/N/ECU/439		Proposed Measure	Republic of Korea
6	Ghana - Administrative Process for Homologation of Model of Motor Vehicle and its Variants	G/TBT/N/GHA/11		Proposed Measure	United States

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7	United States - Modernization of the Labeling and Advertising Regulations for Wine, Distilled Spirits, and Malt Beverages	G/TBT/N/USA/1429	The draft Modernization of the Labeling and Advertising Regulations for Wine, Distilled Spirits, and Malt Beverages foresees detailed labeling regulations of both wines and spirits that can adversely affect international trade and the market access of EU producers.	Proposed Measure	European Union
8	Qatar - Ministry of Public Health Circular regarding shelf life for cheese			Proposed Measure	United States
9	Turkey - Draft Amendment of the Regulation on Cosmetics			Proposed Measure	United States
10	Brazil - Ordinance 259, on 27 May 2019, which makes corrections and updates to the Conformity Assessment Requirements for Medical Devices Subject to the Health Surveillance System in Ordinance 54, from 1 February 2016	G/TBT/N/BRA/605/Add.1		Proposed Measure	United States
11	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia - Electrical Clothes Dryers Energy Performance Requirements and Labelling	G/TBT/N/SAU/987		Final Measure	Republic of Korea

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12	Republic of Korea - Ballast Water Management Act		Compliance for ballast water treatment systems (BWMS) now obliges operators to apply for a new certification at the Korean Register before installing maritime equipment in a vessel under the Korean flag. The equipment has already been certified in Europe by one on the 12 classification societies approved by the EU, including the society Korean Register. In the EU, BWMS certifications issued by Korean classification societies are recognized.	Final Measure	European Union
13	Pakistan - Amendment to Pakistan's Imports and Exports (Control) Act, 1950: Statutory Regulatory Order (SRO) 237 on labeling, shelf-life, and halal certification			Final Measure	United States

Previously raised Specific Trade Concerns

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14	China - Requirements for information security products, including, inter alia, the Office of State Commercial Cryptography Administration (OSCCA) 1999 Regulation on commercial encryption products and its on-going revision and the Multi-Level Protection Scheme (MLPS) (ID 294)			Proposed Measure	Japan European Union

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15	Indonesia - Technical Guidelines for the Implementation of the Adoption and Supervision of Indonesian National Standards for Obligatory Toy Safety (ID 328)	G/TBT/N/IDN/64 G/TBT/N/IDN/64/Add.1 G/TBT/N/IDN/64/Add.2 G/TBT/N/IDN/64/Add.3		Proposed Measure	European Union
16	European Union - Draft Implementing Regulations amending Regulation (EC) No. 607/2009 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 479/2008 as regards protected designations of origin and geographical indications, traditional terms, labelling and presentation of certain wine sector products (ID 345)	G/TBT/N/EU/44 G/TBT/N/EEC/264 G/TBT/N/EEC/264/Add.1 G/TBT/N/EU/570 G/TBT/N/EU/571		Proposed Measure	United States
17	India - Electronics and Information Technology Goods (Requirements for Compulsory Registration) Order, 2012 (ID 367)	G/TBT/N/IND/44 G/TBT/N/IND/44/Add.1 G/TBT/N/IND/44/Add.2 G/TBT/N/IND/44/Add.3 G/TBT/N/IND/44/Add.4 G/TBT/N/IND/44/Add.5 G/TBT/N/IND/47 G/TBT/N/IND/47/Add.1 G/TBT/N/IND/47/Add.1/Corr.1 G/TBT/N/IND/47/Add.2 G/TBT/N/IND/47/Add.3 G/TBT/N/IND/58		Proposed Measure	United States
18	European Union - Hazard-based approach to plant protection products and setting of import tolerances (ID 393)	G/TBT/N/EU/383 G/TBT/N/EU/383/Add.1 G/TBT/N/EU/384 G/TBT/N/EU/384/Add.1 G/SPS/N/EU/166 G/SPS/N/EU/166/Add.1 G/SPS/N/EU/263 G/TBT/N/EU/495		Proposed Measure	United States

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19	China - Regulations for the Supervision and Administration of Medical Devices (Order No. 650 of the State Council) (ID 428)	G/TBT/N/CHN/1313		Proposed Measure	Republic of Korea
20	China - Insurance Regulatory Commission (CIRC) Information and Communication Technology Regulation (ID 489)	G/TBT/N/CHN/1172		Proposed Measure	European Union
21	Indonesia - Halal Product Assurance Law No. 33 of 2014 (ID 502)			Final Measure Proposed Measure	European Union United States
22	Ireland - Public Health (Alcohol) Bill 2015 (ID 516)	G/TBT/N/IRL/2		Proposed Measure	United States
23	China - Cyberspace Administration of China – Draft implementing measures for the Cybersecurity Review of Network Products and Services (ID 533)			Proposed Measure	Japan European Union
24	China - Draft revised Encryption Law of the People's Republic of China by the Office of State Commercial Cryptography Administration (OSCCA) (ID 534)			Proposed Measure	Japan United States European Union
25	European Union - Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 (CLP Regulation) (ID 539)			Proposed Measure Proposed Measure Proposed Measure Final Measure	Russian Federation Mexico Canada United States
26	China - Certification requirements for processed foods (ID 547)	G/TBT/N/CHN/1209		Proposed Measure	Mexico

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27	Brazil - Draft Technical Resolution n° 51, 7 April 2017 on labelling of beverages, wine, and grape derivatives (ID 557)	G/TBT/N/BRA/719 G/TBT/N/BRA/719/Add.1		Proposed Measure	European Union
28	Chile - Public Consultation for draft legislation setting out rules on the preparation, description and labelling of milk products deriving from milk (ID 566)	G/TBT/N/CHL/500 G/TBT/N/CHL/458 G/TBT/N/CHL/442		Proposed Measure	New Zealand United States
29	European Union - Draft Commission Regulation laying down eco-design requirements for electronic displays pursuant to Directive 2009/125/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, amending Commission Regulation (EC) No 1275/2008 and repealing Commission Regulation (EC) 642/2009 (and its accompanying annexes)" (ID 575)	G/TBT/N/EU/609 G/TBT/N/EU/610		Proposed Measure	China Israel

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30	China - Cosmetics Supervision and Administration Regulation (Draft) (ID 576) ¹	G/TBT/N/CHN/1310 G/TBT/N/CHN/1311 G/TBT/N/CHN/1331	Cosmetic Supervision and Administration Regulations (CSAR)/ Measures for the Registration and Filing of Cosmetics	Proposed Measure	Japan United States Republic of Korea
31	Republic of Korea - Warning statement and graphic health warnings on alcoholic beverages (ID 577)			Proposed Measure	United States
32	Uruguay - Labelling of Packaged Food (ID 578)	G/TBT/N/URY/25 G/TBT/N/URY/26		Proposed Measure	United States
33	European Union - Chlorothalonil (pesticide active substance) (ID 579)	G/TBT/N/EU/625		Proposed Measure	Colombia United States
34	European Union - Transitional periods for MRLs and international consultations (ID 580)			Proposed Measure Final Measure	Colombia United States
35	European Union - Explanatory memorandum of unmanned aircraft systems and third-country operators of unmanned aircraft (ID 585)	G/TBT/N/EU/628		Proposed Measure	China
36	Republic of Korea - Package Recycle Classification Regulation (ID 588)	G/TBT/N/KOR/843 G/TBT/N/KOR/844 G/TBT/N/KOR/857		Proposed Measure	United States

¹ At the request of the Members raising, the STCs China - Specifications for Cosmetics Registration and Filing Testing Work (IMS ID:584) and China - Cosmetics Supervision and Administration Regulation (Draft) (IMS ID:576) have been merged.

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37	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia - Added Sugar Upper Limit in Some Food Products (ID 589)	G/TBT/N/SAU/1108 G/TBT/N/SAU/1108/Add.1		Proposed Measure	United States
38	Uruguay - Analysis of Imported Products - Resolution of the Board of the National Grape-Growing and Wine Production Institute (INAVI) of 14 February 2019. Resolution of the Board of INAVI postponing implementation until 1 May 2019) - exogenous water in wine (ID 590)	G/TBT/N/URY/27 G/TBT/N/URY/27/Rev.1		Proposed Measure	United States
39	India - New Telecommunications related Rules (Department of Telecommunications, No. 842-725/2005-VAS/Vol.III (3 December 2009); No. 10-15/2009-AS-III/193 (18 March 2010); and Nos. 10-15/2009-AS.III/Vol.II/(Pt.)/(25-29) (28 July 2010); Department of Telecommunications, No. 10-15/2009-AS.III/Vol.II/(Pt.)/(30) (28 July 2010) and accompanying template, "Security and Business Continuity Agreement") (ID 274)	G/TBT/N/IND/66		Final Measure	European Union United States
40	Russian Federation - Draft Technical Regulation on Alcohol Drinks Safety (published on 24 October 2011) (ID 332)	G/TBT/N/RUS/2		Final Measure	European Union
41	China - Registration Fees for Drugs and Medical Device Products (ID 466)			Final Measure	Republic of Korea
42	China - Interim Measures for Quality Management of Commercial Coal (ID 477)	G/TBT/N/CHN/1057		Final Measure	Australia

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43	India - Draft Food Safety and Standards (Alcoholic Beverages Standards) Regulations, 2015 (ID 494)	G/TBT/N/IND/51 G/SPS/N/IND/119		Final Measure	European Union
44	Russian Federation - Rules of cement certification (ID 497)	G/TBT/N/RUS/48 G/TBT/N/RUS/49		Final Measure	European Union
45	Egypt - Manufacturer Registration System (Decree No. 43/2016 and Decree No. 992/2015) (ID 505)	G/TBT/N/EGY/114 G/TBT/N/EGY/115		Final Measure	Russian Federation European Union
46	China - National Standards on Limits of Volatile Organic Compounds for Furniture (ID 509)	G/TBT/N/CHN/1094 G/TBT/N/CHN/1095 G/TBT/N/CHN/1096		Final Measure	European Union
47	The Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu - Draft of the Organic Agriculture Act (ID 511)	G/TBT/N/TPKM/225 G/TBT/N/TPKM/225/Add.1 G/TBT/N/TPKM/225/Add.2 G/TBT/N/TPKM/346 G/TBT/N/TPKM/347 G/TBT/N/TPKM/348		Final Measure	European Union
48	European Union - Organic production and labelling - Maté (erva-mate) (ID 524)			Final Measure	Brazil
49	China - Cybersecurity Law (ID 526)			Final Measure Final Measure Final Measure Proposed Measure	Japan Republic of Korea European Union United States

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50	European Union - Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 - non-renewal of approval of the active substance picoxystrobin (ID 535)			Final Measure	Brazil
51	Viet Nam - Cybersecurity Measures (ID 544)			Final Measure	Japan United States
52	China - Catalogue of Solid Wastes Forbidden to Import into China (ID 545)	G/TBT/N/CHN/1211		Final Measure	New Zealand United States
53	India - Amended regulation on toy imports (ID 546)	G/TBT/N/IND/68		Final Measure	United States
54	Viet Nam - Decree 116/2017/ND-CP on business requirements for manufacturing, assembly and imports of automobiles, automobiles warranty and maintenance services (ID 549)	G/TBT/N/VNM/116 G/TBT/N/VNM/140		Final Measure Final Measure Proposed Measure Final Measure	Russian Federation Thailand United States European Union
55	European Union - Amendments to the Directive 2009/28/EC, Renewable Energy Directive (ID 553)			Final Measure	Indonesia Malaysia Colombia
56	European Union - Application of Regulation No. 1169/2011 and Regulation (EC) No. 1924/2006 as regards the labelling of food products, in not prohibiting or examining the use of "palm oil free" labels (ID 555)			Final Measure	Indonesia
57	Thailand - Certificate of Analysis for the import of alcoholic beverages (ID 556)	G/TBT/N/THA/524 G/TBT/N/THA/548 G/TBT/N/THA/549		Final Measure	United States European Union

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58	United States - TSA Certification on security screening equipment) (ID 559)			Final Measure	China
59	Russian Federation - Federal law No 487-FZ, providing a framework for comprehensive use of special labelling and traceability of goods and Decision No. 792-r specifying the goods to which labelling will apply and the dates of introduction of the mandatory labelling (ID 567)			Final Measure	European Union United States
60	Brazil - Technical Regulation 14, 8 February 2018, to set the additional official identity, quality standards for wine and derivatives of grape and wine products as well as the requirements to be acquainted and Technical Regulation No. 48, 31 August 2018 published in the Official Gazette on 10 September 2018 (ID 568)	G/TBT/N/BRA/613/Rev.1/Add.1		Final Measure	New Zealand European Union
61	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia - Technical Regulation for plastic products OXO - biodegradable (ID 583)	G/TBT/N/SAU/947		Final Measure	European Union
62	European Union - Concerns on regulations with regard to eco-design requirements for various products in EU (ID 592)	G/TBT/N/EU/606 G/TBT/N/EU/607 G/TBT/N/EU/611 G/TBT/N/EU/615		Final Measure	China
63	European Union - Medical Device Regulation (MDR) and In Vitro Diagnostic Medical Devices Regulation (IVDR) (ID 594)	G/TBT/N/EU/71/Add.1 G/TBT/N/EU/72 G/TBT/N/EU/72/Add.1		Final Measure	Japan China United States Republic of Korea Canada

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64	Thailand - Draft Notification of the Alcoholic Beverages Control, Re: Rules, Procedure and condition for Labels of Alcoholic Beverages, issued under B.E. (ID 427)	G/TBT/N/THA/437 G/TBT/N/THA/437/Add.1 G/TBT/N/THA/221/Add.1		Final Measure	Mexico
