
Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

**ELEVENTH ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION AND
OPERATION OF THE TBT AGREEMENT**

Note by the Secretariat

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1. The Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade¹ (the Committee) will conduct its eleventh annual review under Article 15.3 of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade (the Agreement) at its next meeting on 15 and 17 March 2006. This document contains information on developments in the Committee relating to the implementation and operation of the TBT Agreement from 1 January to 31 December 2005.

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¹ For general information on membership and documentation in the TBT Committee during the period of review, see Annexes A and B.

I. MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE

2. The Committee, pursuant to Article 13.1 of the TBT Agreement and to the Rules of Procedure, elected Mr. Margers Krams (Latvia) as its Chairperson for the year 2005-2006.

3. Three meetings were held in 2005 (22-23 March, 16-17 June and 2 November 2005).² At these meetings, the Committee's attention was drawn to new or revised statements on implementation and administration of the Agreement, submitted under Article 15.2.³ Twenty-five specific trade concerns, fourteen of which were new concerns, were brought to the attention of the Committee with regard to the potential adverse trade effects of the measures, or inconsistency with the Agreement.⁴

4. During the review period, the Committee continued its discussions on issues arising from the Third Triennial Review of the Operation and Implementation of the Agreement under Article 15.4 (G/TBT/13), namely: good regulatory practice, conformity assessment procedures, transparency, technical assistance, as well as other elements.

5. In particular, at the Third Triennial Review the Committee agreed on a Work Programme on conformity assessment to improve Members' implementation of Articles 5 to 9 of the Agreement and to promote a better understanding of conformity assessment systems.⁵ In this context, the Committee held, back-to-back with its regular March meeting, a workshop on Supplier's Declaration of Conformity (SDoC). The workshop, which focused on SDoC as one approach to facilitate the acceptance of conformity assessment results, was divided into two main sessions, focusing on governments' and manufacturers' perspectives, respectively. In these sessions, speakers from individual Members presented case studies on the use of SDoC based on their experiences.⁶ The Committee also initiated the preparation of a workshop on Different Approaches to Conformity Assessment, to be held on 16-17 March 2006.⁷

6. On technical assistance, in order to increase transparency in the identification and prioritization of technical assistance needs, the Committee adopted, on a trial basis for two years, a format for the voluntary notification of specific technical assistance needs and responses.⁸

7. The TBT Committee began preparation of the Fourth Triennial Review based on the Work Programme endorsed by the Committee in November 2004.⁹ At its March meeting, the Committee started the review work with the preliminary identification of possible topics by Members. At its following meetings, in June and November, the Committee continued its work with a discussion of several topics, based on a number of submissions by Members and on background notes prepared by the Secretariat.¹⁰

² G/TBT/M/35, G/TBT/M/36 and G/TBT/M/37.

³ The full list of Members having submitted a statement on implementation and administration of the Agreement under Article 15.2 (since January 1995) is contained in document G/TBT/GEN/1/Rev.3. In 2005, three Members submitted new statements under Article 15.2, while two issued revisions to existing statements. The three new statements were from: the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (G/TBT/2/Add.84), Rwanda (G/TBT/2/Add.85), and Kenya (G/TBT/2/Add.86 and Suppl.1). Colombia (G/TBT/2/Add.18/Rev.1), and the European Communities (G/TBT/2/Add.12/Rev.3) issued revisions to existing statements.

⁴ A list of the specific trade concerns raised in 2005 is contained in Annex C.

⁵ G/TBT/13, paragraph 40.

⁶ The report of the Workshop on SDoC is contained in G/TBT/M/35, Annex 1.

⁷ The draft programme of the workshop on Different Approaches to Conformity Assessment is contained in Job(05)/108/Rev.1.

⁸ G/TBT/16.

⁹ The Work Programme is contained in G/TBT/M/37, Annex 1.

¹⁰ The discussions that took place in the context of the preparation of the Fourth Triennial Review were based on the following documents: G/TBT/W/234 (Enhancing Transparency for New or Changed Regulations/CA Procedures which Arise as a Result of Implementation of a Recommendation of the DSB – Communication from Canada); G/TBT/W/250

8. At its March meeting, the Committee carried out its Tenth Annual Review of the Implementation and Operation of the Agreement under Article 15.3 as well as the Tenth Annual Review of the Code of Good Practice for the Preparation, Adoption and Application of Standards (Annex 3 of the Agreement).¹¹

9. At its November meeting, the Committee carried out the Annual Transitional Review mandated in Paragraph 18 of the Protocol of Accession of the People's Republic of China.¹²

10. During the review period, the Committee heard statements from various observers on the activities relevant to the work of the TBT Committee, including on their technical assistance activities.¹³

(Transparency Requirements and Procedures - Background note by the Secretariat); G/TBT/W/251 (Intellectual Property Rights Issues in Standardization - Communication from the People's Republic of China); G/TBT/W/252 (Fourth Triennial Review of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade - Communication from the People's Republic of China); G/TBT/W/253 (Fourth Triennial Review of the TBT Agreement - Communication from the European Communities); G/TBT/W/254 (Good Regulatory Practice - Communication from the European Communities); G/TBT/W/258 (Good Regulatory Practice - Communication from the United States); Job (05)/107 (Preparation of the Fourth Triennial Review: Good Regulatory Practice - Background Note by the Secretariat); Job(05)/261 (Preparation of the Fourth Triennial Review: Conformity Assessment Procedures - Background Note by the Secretariat); Job(05)/269 (Preparation of the Fourth Triennial Review: Special and Differential Treatment - Background Note by the Secretariat). The Secretariat also prepared a Background Note on Supplier's Declaration of Conformity (SDoC), contained in Job(05)/30.

¹¹ The Tenth Annual Review is contained in document G/TBT/15. Other relevant background documents to this review are: the list of standardizing bodies that had accepted the Code in 2004 and since 1995 (G/TBT/CS/1/Add.9 and G/TBT/CS/2/Rev.11) and the WTO TBT Standards Code Directory (tenth edition).

¹² Fourth Annual Transitional Review mandated in paragraph 18 of the Protocol of Accession of the People's Republic of China, Report (2005), contained in G/TBT/17.

¹³ Statements were heard from the Codex, the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC), the International Organization for Standardization (ISO), the International Trade Centre (ITC), the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), the International Organization for Legal Metrology (OIML), the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO).

II. TRANSPARENCY PROCEDURES¹⁴

11. In 2005, Members submitted 771 new notifications of technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures. Since the entry into force of the Agreement on 1 January 1995, up to 31 December 2005, 6869 such notifications have been made by 94 Members.

Figure 1: Total Number of TBT Notifications since 1995

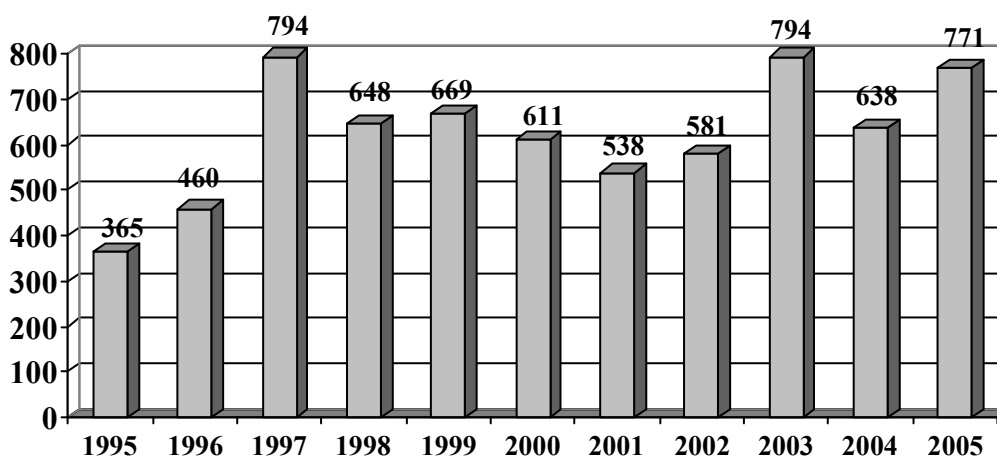
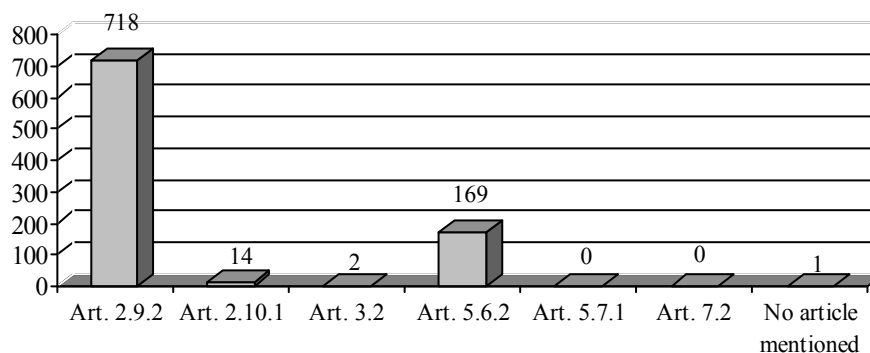


Figure 2: Notifications in 2005 by Article¹⁵



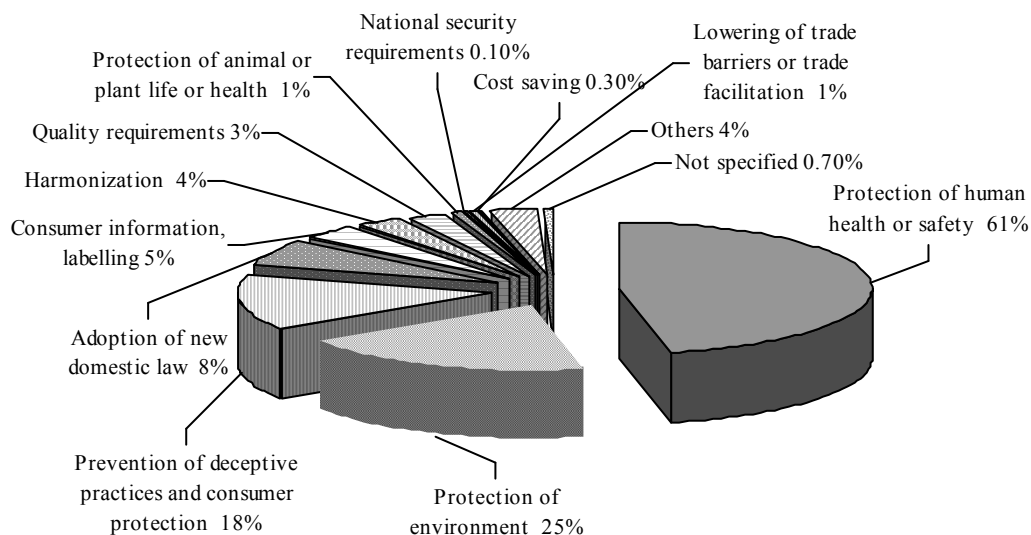
12. Amongst the 771 notifications received in 2005, the following objectives have been mentioned by Members: protection of human health or safety (in 473 notifications); protection of the environment (in 195 notifications); prevention of deceptive practices (in 142 notifications); adoption of new domestic law (in 66 notifications); consumer information and labelling (in 41 notifications); harmonization (in 35 notifications); quality requirements (in 27 notifications); protection of animal or plant life or health (in 9 notifications); lowering or removal of trade barriers and trade facilitation (in 12 notifications); cost saving and increasing productivity (in 3 notifications) and national security

¹⁴ The data for the graphs in this section are drawn from the tables in Annexes D, E and F.

¹⁵ 133 notifications indicated more than one article.

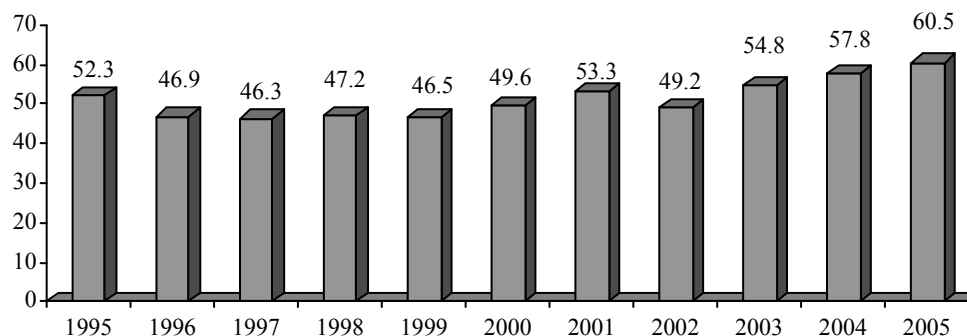
requirements (in 1 notification). 234 notifications referred to more than one objective, 31 notifications referred to other objectives, and six did not specify any legitimate objective.

Figure 3: Percentage of Notifications by Stated Objective in 2005



13. The Committee has recommended that the normal time-limit for presentation of comments on notified technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures should be 60 days. Moreover, it was recommended that any Member able to provide a time limit beyond 60 days, such as 90 days, was encouraged to do so.¹⁶ In 2005, Members allowed an average of 60.5 days for comments. 63 notifications either did not specify a comment period, or stated it as non applicable or had a comment period which had lapsed. Figure 4 shows the average time allowed for comments since 1995.

Figure 4: Average Number of Days Allowed for Comments since 1995



¹⁶ "Decisions and Recommendations adopted by the Committee since 1 January 1995", Note by the Secretariat, 23 May 2002, G/TBT/1/Rev.8, page 17.

14. In 2005, no notification was made under Article 10.7 of agreements on issues related to technical regulations, standards or conformity assessment procedures.

15. In 2005, three standardizing bodies from three Members accepted the Code of Good Practice (Annex 3 of the Agreement, hereafter "the Code") and one standardizing body revised its notification of acceptance.¹⁷ A list of standardizing bodies that adhered to the Code in the period under review is contained in document G/TBT/CS/1/Add.10. Since the entry into force of the Agreement and up until 31 January 2006, 151 standardizing bodies from 110 Members have adhered to the Code.¹⁸ Document G/TBT/CS/2/Rev.12 contains the complete list, by Member, of standardizing bodies that have accepted the Code since 1 January 1995. The ISO/IEC Information Centre has prepared the Eleventh Edition of the WTO TBT Standards Code Directory which lists all standardizing bodies that have notified their acceptance of the Code together with the addresses of these standardizing bodies and information related to the availability of their work programmes.¹⁹

16. In addition, the following information relevant to transparency is noted:

- (a) Information on publications used to announce that work is proceeding on draft technical regulations and conformity assessment procedures under Articles 2.9.1 and 5.6.1 of the Agreement, and publications in which the final texts are published under Articles 2.11 and 5.8 is contained in document G/TBT/2 and addenda.
- (b) The list of WTO TBT Enquiry Points under Articles 10.1 and 10.3 is contained in document G/TBT/ENQ/27. The addresses of Enquiry Points are also available on the TBT Website.²⁰
- (c) In addition to the usual means of distribution, TBT notifications are also circulated through an automatic mailing list, once a week in the original language.²¹
- (d) Monthly summaries of notifications for 2005 are contained in documents G/TBT/GEN/N/49-60.

¹⁷ Rwanda, Antigua and Barbuda and Nigeria submitted a notification of acceptance of the Code of Good Practice (G/TBT/CS/N/159, G/TBT/CS/N/160 and G/TBT/CS/N/162). Guyana (G/TBT/CS/N/74/Rev.1) issued a revision to its notification of acceptance.

¹⁸ Niger accepted the Code of Good Practice on 13 January 2006 (G/TBT/CS/N/161). Notifications of acceptance of the Code by standardizing bodies of Members are contained in documents G/TBT/CS/N/1-162. Notifications G/TBT/CS/N/118 and 138 have been cancelled.

¹⁹ To be issued shortly.

²⁰ See http://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/tbt_e/tbt_enquiry_points_e.htm.

²¹ Interested persons can subscribe to the mailing list at:
http://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/tbt_e/tbt_mailing_list_e.htm.

III. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND SPECIAL AND DIFFERENTIAL TREATMENT²²

17. In 2005, the Secretariat organized three regional workshops in:

- (a) Chinese Taipei for the Asia - Pacific region;²³
- (b) Namibia for the SADC region;²⁴ and
- (c) Trinidad and Tobago for the Caribbean region.²⁵

18. The basic objectives of these regional workshops were to assist participants to consolidate their knowledge of the TBT Agreement and to update them on the discussions in the TBT Committee, with a view to improving participation in the Committee's work. Moreover, these workshops provided a forum for participants to exchange views and experiences on TBT issues. This year, emphasis was put on ensuring interaction from workshop participants; in this respect, the programmes of the events required participants to prepare substantive interventions on selected TBT topics. The workshops included sessions devoted to experience-sharing and discussion of specific cases. Special focus was given in 2005 to conformity assessment, in view of the TBT Committee's Work Programme in this area (referred to in paragraph 5, above). Codex, the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC), the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) participated in various of the workshops.²⁶ Moreover, co-operation was received from regional partners: for instance, in the Caribbean region, inputs were provided by the Caribbean Community Secretariat (CARICOM) and the Caribbean Organization for Standards and Quality (CROSQ).

19. In response to requests received from individual Members, two workshops were organized in Chinese Taipei and Peru.²⁷ These workshops aimed at promoting a better understanding of the rights and obligations under the TBT Agreement and at addressing issues of specific interest to these Members, including their specific trade concerns.

20. The WTO Secretariat participated in two sub-regional workshops, under the Joint Integrated Technical Assistance Programme (JITAP), organized by the International Trade Centre (ITC) and conducted in cooperation with the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD). They were held in Malawi for selected English-speaking African countries and in Mali for selected French-speaking African countries.²⁸ At these workshops, the WTO Secretariat's role was to explain the TBT Agreement's rules and disciplines; UNCTAD's role was to help participating countries translate such rules into national policies and strategies; while the ITC analysed the impact of technical regulations, standards and conformity assessment procedures on the business community.

²² A complete list of 2005 TBT-related technical assistance activities undertaken by the Secretariat is contained in Annex G.

²³ Brunei Darussalam, Hong Kong, China, India, Indonesia, Korea, Macao, China, Malaysia, Pakistan, Philippines, Samoa, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Tonga and Vanuatu were invited.

²⁴ Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe were invited.

²⁵ Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Monserrat, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname and Trinidad and Tobago were invited.

²⁶ Codex participated in the Namibia workshop. IEC and ISO participated in the Namibia and Trinidad and Tobago workshops. UNIDO participated in the Chinese Taipei workshop.

²⁷ The Chinese Taipei workshop was held back-to-back with the regional workshop.

²⁸ Botswana, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia were invited to the Malawi Workshop; Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Ivory Coast, Mali, Mauritania, Senegal and Tunisia were invited to the Mali Workshop.

21. Furthermore, the WTO Secretariat participated in a training course for Arab countries organized by the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA) and in a regional seminar on the TBT and SPS Agreements, organized by the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB), which took place in Azerbaijan. In these events, the role of the WTO Secretariat was to raise awareness of the importance of the implementation and administration of the TBT Agreement and highlight and clarify its main principles and provisions. The WTO Secretariat also took part in a Geneva-based workshop on "Influencing and meeting international standards", organized by the Commonwealth Secretariat and the ITC.

22. The trade policy courses organized by the WTO Secretariat, both Geneva-based and regional, included sessions on the TBT Agreement. TBT training was provided in the regional trade policy courses held in Jamaica for the Caribbean, in Hong Kong for the Asian region, in Namibia for English-speaking African countries, in Morocco for French-speaking African countries and in Chile for Latin America. Other technical assistance activities included a Geneva-based workshop on Supplier's Declaration of Conformity (SDoC) (referred to in paragraph 5, above),²⁹ as well as advice, on an ad hoc basis, to capital-based officials on various issues related to the operation of the Agreement and the Committee.

²⁹ Capital-based participants from 93 developing country Members attended the workshop with resources from the Global Trust Fund.

IV. DISPUTES INVOLVING PROVISIONS OF THE TBT AGREEMENT

23. The state of play during the year 2005 with regard to disputes that have involved provisions of the TBT Agreement is summarized below.

Case #	Case Name	Complaint By	State of Play	TBT Articles Invoked
1. Pending Consultations				
DS279	India – Import Restrictions Maintained under the Export and Import Policy 2002-2007	European Communities	On 23 December 2002, the European Communities requested consultations with India concerning import restrictions maintained by India under its Export and Import Policy 2002-2007 with respect to particular products of concern to the European Communities (WT/DS279/1). On 17 January 2003, the United States requested to join the consultations (WT/DS279/2) and on 31 January 2003, India accepted this request (WT/DS279/3).	2
DS263	European Communities – Measures Affecting Imports of Wine	Argentina	On 4 September 2002, Argentina requested consultations with the European Communities regarding several EC regulations and other mandatory provisions on oenological practices and on trade in wine (WT/DS263/1).	2 and 12
DS233	Argentina – Measures Affecting the Import of Pharmaceutical Products	India	On 25 May 2001, India requested consultations with Argentina concerning Argentina's Law No. 24.766 and Decree No. 150/92 (WT/DS233/1).	2 (especially 2.2), 5 (especially 5.1 and 5.2) and 12
DS203	Mexico – Measures Affecting Trade in Live Swine	United States	On 10 July 2000, the United States requested consultations with Mexico in respect of Mexico's 20 October 1999 definitive anti-dumping measure on live swine for slaughter (merchandise classified under tariff classification 0103.92.99 of the General Import Law) exported from the United States, independently from the country of origin, and actions by Mexico in the conduct of the anti-dumping investigation resulting in that measure (WT/DS203/1).	2 and 5
DS144	United States – Certain Measures Affecting the Import of Cattle, Swine and Grain from Canada	Canada	On 25 September 1998, Canada requested consultations with the United States in respect of certain measures, imposed by the US state of South Dakota and other states, prohibiting entry or transit to Canadian trucks carrying cattle, swine, and grain (WT/DS144/1).	2, 3, 5 and 7
DS137	European Communities – Measures Affecting Imports of Wood of Conifers from Canada	Canada	On 17 June 1998, Canada requested consultations with the European Communities in respect of certain measures concerning the importation into the EC market of wood of conifers from Canada. The measures include, but are not limited to, Council Directive 77/93, of 21 December 1976, as amended by Commission Directive 92/103/EEC, of 1 December 1992, and any relevant measures adopted by EC Member states affecting imports of wood of conifers from Canada into the European Communities (WT/DS137/1).	2
DS134	European Communities – Measures	India	On 28 May 1998, India requested consultations with the European Communities in respect of the restrictions allegedly introduced by an EC Regulation establishing a so-called	2, in particular 2.1 and

Case #	Case Name	Complaint By	State of Play	TBT Articles Invoked
	Affecting Import Duties on Rice		cumulative recovery system (CRS), for determining certain import duties on rice, with effect from 1 July 1997 (WT/DS134/1).	2.2
DS100	United States – Measures Affecting Imports of Poultry Products	European Communities	On 18 August 1997, the European Communities requested consultations with the United States in respect of a ban on imports of poultry and poultry products from the European Communities by the US Department of Agriculture's Food Safety Inspection Service, and any related measures (WT/DS100/1).	2 and 5
DS61	United States – Import Prohibition of Certain Shrimp and Shrimp Products	Philippines	On 25 October 1996, the Philippines requested consultations with the United States in respect of a complaint by the Philippines regarding a ban on the importation of certain shrimp and shrimp products from the Philippines imposed by the United States under Section 609 of US Public Law 101-62 (WT/DS61/1).	2
DS41	Korea – Measures Concerning Inspection of Agricultural Products	United States	On 24 May 1996, the United States requested consultations with Korea concerning testing, inspection and other measures required for the importation of agricultural products into Korea (WT/DS41/1).	2, 5 and 6
DS3	Korea – Measures Concerning the Testing and Inspection of Agricultural Products	United States	On 6 April 1995, the United States requested consultations with Korea involving testing and inspection requirements with respect to imports of agricultural products into Korea (WT/DS3/1). (See WT/DS41).	5 and 6
2. Active panels				
DS291 DS292 DS293	European Communities – Measures Affecting the Approval and Marketing of Biotech Products	United States, (DS291), Canada (DS292) and Argentina (DS293)	<p>On 13 May 2003, the United States and Canada requested consultations with the European Communities concerning certain measures taken by the European Communities and its member States affecting imports of agricultural and food imports from the United States and Canada (WT/DS291/1, WT/DS292/1). On 14 May 2003, Argentina requested consultations with the European Communities on the same matter (WT/DS293/1).</p> <p>On 7 August 2003, the United States, Canada and Argentina each requested the establishment of a panel (WT/DS291/23, WT/DS292/17, WT/DS293/17). At its meeting on 29 August 2003, the DSB decided to establish a single panel.</p> <p>On 23 February 2004, the United States, Canada and Argentina requested the Director-General to compose the panel. On 4 March 2004, the Director-General composed the panel.</p> <p>On 12 July 2004, the Chairman of the Panel informed the DSB that it would not be able to complete its work in six months. On 18 August 2004, the Chairman of the Panel informed the DSB that the Panel estimated that it would issue its final report to the parties by the end of March 2005, and that the delay was due to the parties' common request for additional time to prepare their rebuttals as well as the Panel's decision to seek scientific and technical expert advice</p>	<p>United States: 2 and 5</p> <p>Canada: 2.1, 2.2, 2.8, 5.1 and 5.2</p> <p>Argentina 2, 5 and 12</p>

Case #	Case Name	Complaint By	State of Play	TBT Articles Invoked
DS291 DS292 DS293 (cont'd)	European Communities – Measures Affecting the Approval and Marketing of Biotech Products (cont'd)		<p>On 2 November 2004, the Chairman of the Panel informed the DSB that as a result of the time taken to identify and select experts and, more importantly, in view of a joint request by all four parties that they be granted additional time to prepare their further submissions to the Panel, the Panel estimated that it would issue its final report to the parties by the end of June 2005. On 13 June 2005, the Panel estimated that it would issue its final report to the parties by the end of October 2005. On 11 August 2005, the Panel estimated that it would issue its final report to the parties by the end of December 2005. On 21 December 2005, the Panel informed the DSB that the Panel estimated that it would issue its final report to the parties by the end of March 2006, due mainly to the large number of issues to be addressed.</p> <p>Argentina (in respect of the United States' and Canada's complaints), Australia, Brazil, Canada (in respect of the United States' and Argentina's complaints), Chile, China, Colombia, El Salvador, Honduras, Mexico, New Zealand, Norway, Paraguay, Peru, Chinese Taipei, Thailand, Uruguay and the United States (in respect of Canada's and Argentina's complaints) reserved their third-party rights.</p>	
3. Adopted Panel Reports				
DS174 DS290	European Communities – Protection of Trademarks and Geographical Indications for Agricultural Products and Foodstuffs	United States (DS174) and Australia (DS290)	<p>On 1 June 1999, the United States requested consultations with the European Communities in respect of the alleged lack of protection of trademarks and geographical indications (GIs) for agricultural products and foodstuffs in the European Communities (WT/DS174/1).</p> <p>On 4 April 2003, the United States sent an additional request for consultations concerning the protection of trademarks and GIs for agricultural products and foodstuffs in the European Communities (WT/DS174/1/Add.1).</p> <p>On 17 April 2003, Australia requested consultations with the European Communities concerning the protection of trademarks and to the registration and protection of geographical indications for foodstuffs and agricultural products in the European Communities (WT/DS290/1).</p> <p>On 18 August 2003, the United States and Australia requested separately the establishment of a panel (WT/DS174/20, WT/DS290/18).</p> <p>On 2 October 2003, the DSB decided to establish a single panel.</p> <p>On 13 February 2004, the United States and Australia requested the Director-General to determine the composition of the Panel. On 23 February 2004, the Director-General composed the Panel.</p> <p>Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Guatemala, India, Mexico, New Zealand, Norway, Chinese Taipei and Turkey reserved their third-party rights.</p> <p>On 17 August 2004, the Chairman of the Panel informed the DSB that it would not be able to complete its work in six months due to the complexity of the case and that the Panel expected to issue its final report to the parties before the end of year 2004.</p> <p>On 15 March 2005, the Panel reports were circulated to</p>	United States: (none) Australia: 2

Case #	Case Name	Complaint By	State of Play	TBT Articles Invoked
			<p>Members. The DSB adopted the Panel reports on 20 April 2005 (WT/DS174/R and WT/DS290/R).</p> <p>At the DSB meeting of 19 May 2005, the European Communities stated its intention to implement the DSB's recommendations and indicated that it would need a reasonable period of time to do so. On 9 June 2005, the European Communities, Australia and the United States informed the DSB that they had agreed pursuant to Article 21.3(b) of the DSU that the reasonable period of time for implementation shall be 11 months and 2 weeks, expiring on 3 April 2006.</p>	

V. ANNEXES

A. LIST OF WTO MEMBERS AND OBSERVERS

Members³⁰

Albania	Gambia	Nepal
Angola	Gabon	Netherlands
Antigua and Barbuda	Georgia	New Zealand
Argentina	Germany	Nicaragua
Armenia	Ghana	Niger
Australia	Greece	Nigeria
Austria	Grenada	Norway
Bahrain	Guatemala	Oman
Bangladesh	Guinea	Pakistan
Barbados	Guinea Bissau	Panama
Belgium	Guyana	Papua New Guinea
Belize	Haiti	Paraguay
Benin	Honduras	Peru
Bolivia	Hong Kong, China	Philippines
Botswana	Hungary	Poland
Brazil	Iceland	Portugal
Brunei Darussalam	India	Qatar
Bulgaria	Indonesia	Romania
Burkina Faso	Ireland	Rwanda
Burundi	Israel	Saint Kitts and Nevis
Cambodia	Italy	Saint Lucia
Cameroon	Jamaica	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Canada	Japan	Saudi Arabia
Central African Republic	Jordan	Senegal
Chad	Kenya	Sierra Leone
Chile	Korea, Rep. of	Singapore
China, People's Republic of	Kuwait	Slovak Republic
Colombia	Kyrgyz Republic	Slovenia
Congo	Latvia	Solomon Islands
Congo, Democratic Rep. of the	Lesotho	South Africa
Costa Rica	Liechtenstein	Spain
Côte d'Ivoire	Lithuania	Sri Lanka
Croatia	Luxembourg	Suriname
Cuba	Macau, China	Swaziland
Cyprus	Madagascar	Sweden
Czech Republic	Malawi	Switzerland
Denmark	Malaysia	Separate Customs Territory of
Djibouti	Maldives	Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and
Dominica	Mali	Matsu (Chinese Taipei)
Dominican Republic	Malta	Tanzania
Ecuador	Mauritania	Thailand
Egypt	Mauritius	Togo
El Salvador	Moldova	Trinidad and Tobago
Estonia	Mexico	Tunisia
European Communities	Mongolia	Turkey

³⁰ Members on 31 January 2006.

Fiji	Morocco	Uganda
Finland	Mozambique	United Arab Emirates
Former Yugoslav Rep. of Macedonia (FYROM)	Myanmar	United Kingdom
France	Namibia	United States
		Uruguay
		Venezuela
		Zambia
		Zimbabwe

Observer Governments³¹

Afghanistan	Holy See (Vatican)	Seychelles
Algeria	Iraq	Sudan
Andorra	Kazakhstan	Tajikistan
Azerbaijan	Laos, P.D.R. of	Tonga
Bahamas	Lebanon	Ukraine
Belarus	Libya	Uzbekistan
Bhutan	Montenegro	Vanuatu
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Russian Federation	Viet Nam
Cape Verde	Samoa	Yemen
Equatorial Guinea	Sao Tomé and Príncipe	
Ethiopia	Serbia	

Observer Organizations

African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States (ACP)³²
 Asociación Latinoamericana de Integración (ALADI)³²
 European Free Trade Association (EFTA)³²
 Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO)
 International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)
 International Monetary Fund (IMF)
 International Organization for Standardization (ISO)
 International Trade Centre (ITC)
 Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)
 Office International des Epizooties (OIE)
 International Organization for Legal Metrology (OIML)³²
 United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)
 United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UN/ECE)
 United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)³²
 World Health Organization (WHO)
 WHO/FAO Codex Alimentarius Commission
 The World Bank

³¹ Observers on 31 January 2006.

³² Observer status on an *ad hoc* basis

B. LIST OF TBT DOCUMENTS ISSUED DURING THE YEAR 2005

Document Reference	Date of Issue	Title
1. Working Documents (G/TBT/W/ -)		
G/TBT/W/250	16 February 2005	Transparency Requirements and Procedures (Background Note by the Secretariat)
G/TBT/W/251	25 May 2005	Intellectual Property Right (IPR) Issues in Standardization (Communication from the People's Republic of China)
G/TBT/W/252	8 June 2005	Fourth Triennial Review of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade (Communication from the People's Republic of China)
G/TBT/W/253	13 June 2005	Fourth Triennial Review of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade (Communication from the European Communities)
G/TBT/W/254	14 June 2005	Good Regulatory Practice (Communication from the European Communities)
G/TBT/W/255	6 October 2005	China's Transitional Review Mechanism (Questions and Comments from Japan to China)
G/TBT/W/256	12 October 2005	China's Transitional Review Mechanism (Communication from the European Communities)
G/TBT/W/257	18 October 2005	Transitional Review Mechanism Pursuant to Section 18 of the Protocol on the Accession of the People's Republic of China (Questions and Comments from the United States to China)
G/TBT/W/258	26 October 2005	Good Regulatory Practice (Communication from the United States)
G/TBT/W/259	31 October 2005	EC and EC Member State Technical Assistance Projects/Programmes in the TBT field
G/TBT/W/260	1 November 2005	Annual Transitional Review Mandated in Paragraph 18 of the Protocol of Accession of the People's Republic of China: Information Required in Annex 1/A of WT/L/432 (Submission by the People's Republic of China)
2. Minutes of the Meetings (G/TBT/M/ -)		
G/TBT/M/35	24 May 2005	Minutes of the Meeting of 22-23 March 2005 (Note by the Secretariat)
G/TBT/M/36	4 August 2005	Minutes of the Meeting of 16-17 June 2005 (Note by the Secretariat)
G/TBT/M/37	22 December 2005	Minutes of the Meeting of 2 November 2005 (Note by the Secretariat)

3. General Documents (G/TBT/GEN/ -)		
G/TBT/GEN/N/47-59	January 2005 – December 2005	Notifications issued during the Months of November 2004 until November 2005 (Note by the Secretariat)
G/TBT/GEN/1/Rev.2	4 March 2005	Statements on Implementation and Administration of the Agreement under Article 15.2 (Note by the Secretariat - Revision)
G/SPS/GEN/491/Add.2 and Add.3 G/TBT/GEN/7Add.2 and Add.3	24 May 2005 and 28 November 2005	Communication from Mexico
G/TBT/GEN/15	14 March 2005	TBT Workshop on Supplier's Declaration of Conformity (Programme)
G/TBT/GEN/16	24 May 2005	Report provided by the IEC at the TBT Committee Meeting of 22-23 March 2005 (Agenda Item 4: Technical Co-operation)
G/TBT/GEN/17	24 May 2005	Report provided by the OIML at the TBT Committee Meeting of 22-23 March 2005 (Agenda Item 6(b): Updating by Observers)
G/TBT/GEN/18	24 May 2005	Report provided by the Codex Alimentarius Commission at the TBT Committee Meeting of 22-23 March 2005 (Agenda Item 6(b): Updating by Observers)
G/TBT/GEN/19	3 August 2005	Report provided by the OECD on Recent Work Relevant to Good Regulatory Practice at the TBT Committee Meeting of 16-17 June 2005 (Agenda Item 3(b): Preparation of the Fourth Triennial Review)
G/TBT/GEN/20	3 August 2005	Report provided by the IEC at the TBT Committee Meeting of 16-17 June 2005 (Agenda Item 4: Technical Co-operation)
G/TBT/GEN/21	3 August 2005	TBT Technical Assistance Activities in 2005 (Information from the Secretariat)
G/TBT/GEN/22	3 August 2005	Report Provided by the Codex Alimentarius Commission at the TBT Committee Meeting of 16-17 June 2005 (Agenda Item 5(b): Updating by Observers)
G/TBT/GEN/23	3 August 2005	Report provided by the OIML at the TBT Committee Meeting of 16-17 June 2005 (Agenda Item 5(b): Updating by Observers)
G/TBT/GEN/24	22 December 2005	Information Provided by the ISO and the IEC at the TBT Committee Meeting of 2 November 2005 (Agenda Item 4(b): Triennial Review)
G/TBT/GEN/25	22 December 2005	Report Provided by Norway at the TBT Committee Meeting of 2 November 2005 (Agenda Item 5: Technical Cooperation)
G/TBT/GEN/26	22 December 2005	TBT Technical Assistance Activities in 2005 and Planned for 2006 (Information from the Secretariat)
G/TBT/GEN/27	22 December 2005	Report Provided by the Codex Alimentarius Commission at the TBT Committee Meeting of 2 November 2005 (Agenda Item 7: Updating by Observers)
G/TBT/GEN/28	22 December 2005	Report Provided by the OECD at the TBT Committee Meeting of 2 November 2005 (Agenda Item 7: Updating by Observers)
G/TBT/GEN/29	22 December 2005	Report Provided by the Food and Agriculture Organization and the World Health Organization at the TBT Committee Meeting of 2 November 2005 (Agenda Item 7: Updating by Observers)

3. General Documents (G/TBT/GEN/ -) (cont'd)		
G/TBT/GEN/30	22 December 2005	Report Provided by the OIML at the TBT Committee Meeting of 2 November 2005 (Agenda Item 7: Updating by Observers)
4. Documents Relating to the Code of Good Practice (G/TBT/CS/ -)		
G/TBT/CS/1/Add.9	4 March 2005	List of Standardizing Bodies that have Accepted the Code of Good Practice for the Preparation, Adoption and Application of Standards in 2004 (Note by the Secretariat)
G/TBT/CS/2/Rev.11	4 March 2005	List of Standardizing Bodies that have Accepted the Code of Good Practice for the Preparation, Adoption and Application of Standards since 1 January 1995 (Note by the Secretariat)
G/TBT/CS/N/74/Rev.1	21 April 2005	Notification under Paragraph C of the WTO TBT Code of Good Practice (Guyana)
G/TBT/CS/N/159	7 March 2005	Notification under Paragraph C of the WTO TBT Code of Good Practice (Rwanda)
5. Statements on the Implementation and Administration of the TBT Agreement (G/TBT/2/ -)		
G/TBT/2/Add.12/Rev.3	18 October 2005	Communication from the European Communities
G/TBT/2/Add.18/Rev.1	5 July 2005	Communication from Colombia
G/TBT/2/Add.84	22 February 2005	Communication from the Republic of Macedonia
G/TBT/2/Add.85	24 February 2005	Communication from the Republic of Rwanda
G/TBT/2/Add.86 and Suppl.1	28 April and 2 June 2005	Communication from the Republic of Kenya
6. Other Documents		
G/L/760	8 November 2005	Report (2005) of the TBT Committee
G/TBT/15	4 March 2005	Tenth Annual Review of the Implementation and Operation of the TBT Agreement (Note by the Secretariat)
G/TBT/16	8 November 2005	Format for the Voluntary Notification of Specific Technical Assistance Needs and Responses (Decision by the Committee)
G/TBT/17	9 November 2005	Fourth Annual Transitional Review Mandated in Paragraph 18 of the Protocol of Accession of the People's Republic of China
G/TBT/ENQ/26	7 March 2005	National Enquiry Points (Note by the Secretariat)
7. Job documents (JOB(05)/ -)		
JOB(05)/29	7 March 2005	22-23 March 2005 TBT Committee Meeting (Annotated Draft Agenda)
JOB(05)/30	7 March 2005	Workshop on Supplier's Declaration of Conformity 21 March 2005 (Background Note by the Secretariat)
JOB(05)/33	11 March 2005	On-line Completion of TBT Notification Forms and the SPS Information Management System (Information from the Secretariat)
JOB(05)/93 and Rev.1 (subsequently adopted as G/TBT/16)	7 June 2005 and 5 September 2005	Draft Format for the Voluntary Notification of Specific Technical Assistance Needs and Responses (Note by the Secretariat)
JOB(05)/94	8 June 2005	16-17 June 2005 TBT Committee Meeting (Annotated Draft Agenda)

7. Job documents (JOB(05)/ -) (cont'd)		
JOB(05)/107	14 June 2005	Preparation of the Fourth Triennial Review: Good Regulatory Practice (Background Note by the Secretariat)
JOB(05)/108 and Rev.1	14 June and 27 October 2005	Workshop on Different Approaches to Conformity Assessment – Tentatively Scheduled for March 2005 (Draft Programme)
JOB(05)/261	26 October 2005	Preparation of the Fourth Triennial Review: Conformity Assessment Procedures (Background Note by the Secretariat)
JOB(05)/265 (adopted as G/TBT/16)	27 October 2005	Draft Format for the Voluntary Notification of Technical Assistance Needs and Responses (Proposal by the Chairman)
JOB(05)/266	28 October 2005	Fourth Annual Transitional Review Mandated in Paragraph 18 of the Protocol of Accession of the People's Republic of China (Draft 2005 Report)
JOB (05)/267 (issued now as G/L/760)	28 October 2005	Report (2005) of the Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade (Draft Report)
JOB(05)/269	28 October 2005	Preparation of the Fourth Triennial Review: Special and Differential Treatment (Background Note by the Secretariat)
JOB(05)/270	28 October 2005	2 November 2005 TBT Committee Meeting (Annotated Draft Agenda)

C. SPECIFIC TRADE CONCERNS RAISED IN 2005

I. New concerns (14)	
1. Indonesia – Mandatory Standard for Tyre	
Raised by	The European Communities
Dates raised	March 2005 (G/TBT/M/35, paras. 4-5); June 2005 (G/TBT/M/36, paras. 21-22)
Relevant document(s)	G/TBT/N/IDN/13
2. European Communities – Restriction on the Use of Certain Phthalates in Toys	
Raised by	United States; Japan; China
Dates raised	March 2005 (G/TBT/M/35, paras. 6-7); June 2005 (G/TBT/M/36, paras. 37-39)
Relevant document(s)	G/TBT/N/EEC/82
3. China - General Standard for the Labelling of Pre-packaged Alcoholic Beverages	
Raised by	The European Communities; United States
Dates raised	March 2005 (G/TBT/M/35 paras. 8-9)
Relevant document(s)	G/TBT/N/CHN/72
4. Malaysia - Hologram Stickers on Pharmaceutical Products	
Raised by	United States; the European Communities
Dates raised	March 2005 (G/TBT/M/35, paras.10-11); June 2005 (G/TBT/M/36, paras. 30-32)
Relevant document(s)	G/TBT/N/MYS/5
5. European Communities - Disposable Lighters	
Raised by	China
Dates raised	June 2005 (G/TBT/M/36, paras. 4-6)
Relevant document(s)	G/TBT/N/EEC/89
6. Korea - Residual Limits and Test Methods for Pesticide Residues/Heavy Metals in Herbal Medicines	
Raised by	China
Dates raised	June 2005 (G/TBT/M/36, paras. 7-8)
Relevant document(s)	G/TBT/N/KOR/84
7. China - Administration on the Control of Pollution Caused by Electronic Information Products	
Raised by	Japan; the European Communities
Dates raised	November 2005 (G/TBT/M/37, paras. 3-4)
Relevant document(s)	G/TBT/N/CHN/140
8. United States - DTV Toner Requirements	
Raised by	China
Dates raised	November 2005 (G/TBT/M/37, paras. 5-10)
Relevant document(s)	G/TBT/N/USA/128

9. European Communities – Directive 2005/32 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 July 2005 establishing a Framework for the setting of Ecodesign Requirements for Energy-using Products	
Raised by	China
Dates raised	November 2005 (G/TBT/M/37, paras. 11-13)
Relevant document(s)	-
10. Japan – Handling of Comments on Notifications	
Raised by	China
Dates raised	November 2005 (G/TBT/M/37, paras. 14-15)
Relevant document(s)	-
11. Colombia - Labelling of Footwear	
Raised by	The European Communities
Dates raised	November 2005 (G/TBT/M/37, paras. 16-18)
Relevant document(s)	G/TBT/N/COL/45 and Addenda
12. South Africa - Labelling Requirements for Textiles, Clothing, Shoes and Leather Goods	
Raised by	The European Communities; United States
Dates raised	November 2005 (G/TBT/M/37, paras. 19-21)
Relevant document(s)	G/TBT/N/ZAF/49
13. Peru - Infant Food	
Raised by	United States
Dates raised	November 2005 (G/TBT/M/37, para. 22)
Relevant document(s)	G/TBT/N/PER/11
14. China - Health Food	
Raised by	United States
Dates raised	November 2005 (G/TBT/M/37, para. 23)
Relevant document(s)	G/TBT/N/CHN/160
II. Previously raised concerns (11)	
15. Korea - Import of Fish Heads	
In 2005, raised by	New Zealand; Iceland; the European Communities; Norway
Dates raised	March 2005 (G/TBT/M/35 paras. 12-14); June 2005 (G/TBT/M/36, paras. 33-36)
First raised in	July 2003 (G/TBT/M/30, paras. 37-39)
Relevant document(s)	-

16. European Communities - Regulation on the Registration, Evaluation and Authorisation of Chemicals (REACH)	
In 2005, raised by	Japan; United States; Australia; Mexico; Chile; Cuba; Korea; China; Uruguay
Dates raised	March 2005 (G/TBT/M/35, paras. 15-24); June 2005 (G/TBT/M/36, paras. 10-17); November 2005 (G/TBT/M/37, paras. 25-32)
First raised in	March 2003 (G/TBT/M/29, paras. 36-44)
Relevant document(s)	G/TBT/W/208; G/TBT/N/EEC/52 and Add.1
17. European Communities - Regulation on Certain Wine Sector Products	
In 2005, raised by	New Zealand; Australia; United States; Uruguay; Mexico
Dates raised	March 2005 (G/TBT/M/35, paras. 25-26); June 2005 (G/TBT/M/36, paras. 43-44)
First raised in	October 2001 (G/TBT/M/25, paras. 26-33)
Relevant document(s)	G/TBT/N/EEC/15, Corr.1-2; G/TBT/N/EEC/57
18. Switzerland - Ordinance on the Emission Level of Passenger Cars with Compression Ignition Engines	
In 2005, raised by	Update from Switzerland
Dates raised	March 2005 (G/TBT/M/35, para. 27); June 2005 (G/TBT/M/36, para. 18)
First raised in	July 2004 (G/TBT/M/33, paras. 17-19)
Relevant document(s)	G/TBT/N/CHE/39
19. United States - Measure on Refillable Lighters	
In 2005, raised by	China
Dates raised	March 2005 (G/TBT/M/35, paras. 28-30)
First raised in	March 2004 (G/TBT/M/32, paras. 5-6)
Relevant document(s)	-
20. United States - Country of Origin Labelling	
In 2005, raised by	Canada; China
Dates raised	March 2005 (G/TBT/M/35, paras. 31-33); June 2005 (G/TBT/M/36, para. 9)
First raised in	June 2002 (G/TBT/M/27, paras. 19-20)
Relevant document(s)	G/TBT/N/USA/25; G/TBT/N/USA/83 and Corr.1
21. Peru - Labelling of Footwear	
In 2005, raised by	Update from Peru
Dates raised	March 2005 (G/TBT/M/35, paragraph 34)
First raised in	November 2004 (G/TBT/M/34, paras. 8-9)
Relevant document(s)	G/TBT/N/PER/1; G/TBT/N/PER/4
22. Mexico - Pre-packaged Products; and Mexico - Standard for Glazed Pottery Ware, Glazed Ceramic Ware and Porcelain Ware	
In 2005, raised by	Update from Mexico
Dates raised	March 2005 (G/TBT/M/35, para. 35)
First raised in	November 2004 (G/TBT/M/34, paras. 4-5); July 2004 (G/TBT/M/33, paras. 20-21)
Relevant document(s)	G/TBT/N/MEX/95; G/TBT/N/MEX/69

23. Brazil - Decree on Beverages and Spirits	
In 2005, raised by	Barbados
Dates raised	June 2005 (G/TBT/M/36, paras. 19-20)
First raised in	November 2003 (G/TBT/M/31, paras. 19-22)
Relevant document(s)	G/TBT/N/BRA/135; G/TBT/N/BRA/160
24. European Communities - Directive 2002/95/EC on the Restriction of the Use of certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment (RoHS) and Directive 2002/96/EC on Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE)	
In 2005, raised by	United States; Canada; China; Japan; Mexico
Dates raised	June 2005 (G/TBT/M/36, paras. 23-29)
First raised in	June 1999 (G/TBT/M/16, paras. 10-11, 16)
Relevant document(s)	-
25. New Zealand - Ban on the Importation of Trout	
In 2005, raised by	Canada; Norway
Dates raised	June 2005 (G/TBT/M/36, paras. 40-42)
First raised in	May 2000 (G/TBT/M/19, paras. 14-16)
Relevant document(s)	-

D. NOTIFICATIONS MADE BY MEMBERS AND BY RELEVANT ARTICLES OF THE AGREEMENT IN 2005 AND SINCE THE ENTRY INTO FORCE OF THE AGREEMENT

Members	Number of notifications made in 2005	Number of notifications made under the relevant Articles in 2005 ³³							Total number of notifications made since 1995
		2.9	2.10	3.2	5.6	5.7	7.2	Not specified	
Albania	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Argentina ³⁴	27	23	2	0	4	0	0	0	250
Armenia ³⁴	14	14	0	0	9	0	0	0	24
Australia	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	143
Austria	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Bahrain	3	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	4
Barbados	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Belgium	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	205
Benin	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Bolivia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22
Botswana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Brazil ³⁴	37	25	0	0	14	0	0	0	313
Brunei Darussalam	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Canada ³⁴	38	38	0	0	11	0	0	0	287
Central African Republic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Chile	9	7	0	0	2	0	0	0	121
China ³⁴	112	112	0	0	21	0	0	0	175
Colombia ³⁴	11	10	1	0	6	0	0	3	113
Costa Rica	12	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	48
Croatia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38
Cuba	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Cyprus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Czech Republic ³⁴	15	15	0	0	1	0	0	0	224
Denmark	8	6	2	0	0	0	0	0	212
Dominica	10	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Dominican Republic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22
Ecuador	6	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	6
Egypt	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
El Salvador ³⁴	20	20	0	0	17	0	0	0	133
Estonia	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
European Communities ³⁴	22	22	0	0	8	0	0	1	281

³³ 133 notifications were made under more than one article.³⁴ Member notifying under more than one article.

Members	Number of notifications made in 2005	Number of notifications made under the relevant Articles in 2005 ³³							Total number of notifications made since 1995
		2.9	2.10	3.2	5.6	5.7	7.2	Not specified	
Fiji	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Finland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34
France	15	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	115
Georgia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Germany	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Ghana³⁵	2	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
Grenada	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Guatemala³⁵	12	12	0	0	3	0	0	0	43
Guyana	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
Honduras	10	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	23
Hong Kong, China	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	54
Hungary³⁵	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	18
Iceland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
India	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	56
Indonesia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16
Israel³⁵	52	48	0	0	29	0	0	0	182
Italy	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Jamaica	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
Japan³⁵	26	23	0	1	3	0	0	0	391
Jordan	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Kenya	12	9	2	0	1	0	0	0	23
Korea, Republic of	19	18	0	0	1	0	0	0	192
Kuwait	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	7
Latvia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29
Lithuania³⁵	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	6
Macau, China	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Malaysia	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	166
Mauritius	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Mexico³⁵	8	6	0	0	4	0	0	0	293
Morocco	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Mongolia	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Netherlands	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	597
New Zealand	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	53
Nicaragua	8	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	62
Nigeria	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Norway	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	65
Oman³⁵	4	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	6
Panama	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	35

³⁵ Member notifying under more than one article.

Members	Number of notifications made in 2005	Number of notifications made under the relevant Articles in 2005 ³³							Total number of notifications made since 1995
		2.9	2.10	3.2	5.6	5.7	7.2	Not specified	
Peru	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	13
Philippines ³⁶	8	8	0	0	4	0	0	0	101
Poland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Qatar	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
Romania	9	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
Saint Lucia	11	11	0	0	1	0	0	0	42
Senegal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Singapore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18
Slovak Republic	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	41
Slovenia ³⁶	9	8	0	0	2	0	0	0	49
South Africa	12	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	101
Spain	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	67
Sri Lanka	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	44
Sweden	19	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	154
Switzerland	13	12	0	0	1	0	0	0	130
Chinese Taipei ³⁶	12	12	0	0	8	0	0	0	28
Thailand ³⁶	22	19	0	0	10	0	0	0	297
Trinidad and Tobago ³⁶	4	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	34
Tunisia	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	13
Turkey	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
United Kingdom	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	31
United States	72	71	0	1	2	0	0	0	365
Uruguay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Venezuela	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	35
Zambia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	38
TOTAL	771	718	14	2	169	0	0	1	6869

³⁶ Member notifying under more than one article.

E. OBJECTIVES AND RATIONALES STATED IN NOTIFICATIONS IN 2005

OBJECTIVES AND RATIONALES	FIRST OBJECTIVE STATED IN THE NOTIFICATIONS RECEIVED IN 2005	NUMBER OF TIMES THAT THE OBJECTIVE WAS MENTIONED AS THE FIRST, SECOND OR THIRD OBJECTIVE IN THE NOTIFICATIONS RECEIVED IN 2005³⁷
National security requirements	1	1
Consumer information, labelling	22	41
Prevention of deceptive practices and consumer protection	85	142
Protection of human health or safety	431	473
Protection of animal or plant life or health	5	9
Protection of environment	88	195
Quality requirements	18	27
Harmonization	26	35
Adoption of new domestic law and technology	64	66
Lowering or removal of trade barriers	-	5
Trade facilitation	6	7
Cost saving and increasing productivity	-	3
Others	19	31
Not specified	6	6
Total	771	-

³⁷ Among the 771 notifications received, 234 indicate two or more objectives.

F. OBSERVATION OF THE RECOMMENDED COMMENT PERIOD BY MEMBERS IN 2005

Number of notifications made with comment period						
Members	Less than 45 days	45-59 days	60 days or more	Not specified, lapsed or stated as non-applicable	Of which notified under Articles 2.10 and 5.7	Total
Albania	0	0	3	0	0	3
Argentina	0	6	1	20	2	27
Armenia	7	3	4	0	0	14
Australia	1	5	2	0	0	8
Bahrain	2	0	0	1	0	3
Barbados	3	0	0	0	0	3
Brazil	16	2	10	9	0	37
Canada	1	6	29	2	0	38
Chile	0	0	8	1	0	9
China	0	0	111	1	0	112
Colombia	0	0	10	1	1	11
Costa Rica	0	0	12	0	0	12
Czech Republic	0	11	4	0	0	15
Denmark	1	4	2	1	1	8
Dominica	0	0	10	0	0	10
Ecuador	0	0	4	2	1	6
Egypt	0	0	3	0	0	3
El Salvador	0	0	20	0	0	20
Estonia	0	0	1	0	0	1
European Communities	5	0	17	0	0	22
France	4	0	4	7	0	15
Ghana	0	0	2	0	0	2
Guatemala	0	0	12	0	0	12
Guyana	0	0	1	0	0	1
Honduras	0	0	10	0	0	10
Hong Kong, China	0	0	1	0	0	1
Hungary	1	0	0	0	0	1
India	0	0	0	2	0	2
Israel	0	1	51	0	0	52
Italy	0	0	1	0	0	1
Jamaica	3	0	0	0	0	3
Japan	2	7	17	0	0	26
Jordan	0	1	0	0	0	1
Kenya	0	0	12	0	0	12
Korea, Republic of	4	6	8	1	0	19
Kuwait	0	1	0	0	0	1
Lithuania	0	0	1	0	0	1
Malaysia	0	0	1	1	0	2
Mauritius	0	0	0	2	2	2
Mexico	1	7	0	0	0	8
Mongolia	0	0	0	1	1	1
Morocco	1	0	1	0	0	2
Netherlands	0	1	1	0	0	1
New Zealand	1	0	1	0	0	2

Number of notifications made with comment period						
Members	Less than 45 days	45-59 days	60 days or more	Not specified, lapsed or stated as non-applicable	Of which notified under Articles 2.10 and 5.7	Total
Nicaragua	0	0	18	0	0	8
Nigeria	1	0	0	0	0	1
Norway	0	1	2	1	0	4
Oman	0	0	3	1	0	4
Panama	0	1	1	5	0	7
Peru	0	1	1	1	1	3
Philippines	2	2	2	2	0	8
Qatar	0	0	4	0	0	4
Romania	1	0	8	0	0	9
Saint Lucia	0	1	10	0	0	11
Slovak Republic	0	0	2	0	0	2
Slovenia	1	2	6	0	0	9
South Africa	6	4	1	1	0	12
Sweden	0	2	17	0	0	19
Switzerland	0	4	9	0	0	12
Chinese Taipei	1	3	8	0	0	12
Thailand	0	0	22	0	0	22
Trinidad and Tobago	1	3	0	0	0	4
Tunisia	0	1	2	0	0	3
United Kingdom	0	0	2	0	0	2
United States	13	27	32	0	0	72
Venezuela	0	0	2	0	0	2
TOTAL	79	112	517	63	9	771

G. TBT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE UNDERTAKEN BY THE WTO SECRETARIAT IN 2005

1. Geneva-Based Events

Date	Activity	Participants	Venue	Organized by
21 March	TBT Workshop on Supplier's Declaration of Conformity (SDoC)	Capital-based participants from 92 developing country Members	Geneva	WTO

2. Regional Workshops

Date	Region/Participants	Venue	Organized by	Organizations' Participation
18-19 January	Asia and Pacific	Taipei, Chinese Taipei	WTO	UNIDO
18-20 October	Africa (Southern)	Windhoek, Namibia	WTO	Codex, IEC, ISO, SADC
30 November – 2 December	Caribbean	Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago	WTO	CARICOM, CROSOQ, IEC, ISO

3. Member Workshops

Date	Member/Scope	Organized by	Organizations' Participation
20 January	Chinese Taipei (Back-to-back with the regional workshop)	WTO	-
5-6 December	Peru	WTO	UNIDO

4. Participation in Activities Organized by Other Agencies

Date	Activity	Venue	Organized by
6–7 April	Training course for Arab Countries	Stockholm, Sweden	SIDA / SWEDAC
25-26 May	Regional Seminar on TBT and SPS for Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Tajikistan and the Kyrgyz Republic	Baku, Azerbaijan	Islamic Development Bank (IsDB)
30 May – 1 June	Sub-regional workshop for English speaking JITAP African countries	Lilongwe, Malawi	ITC (JITAP)
22-24 June	Workshop on influencing and meeting international standards	Geneva, Switzerland	ITC / COMSEC
8-11 November	Sub-regional workshop for French speaking JITAP African countries	Bamako, Mali	ITC (JITAP)

5. Trade Policy Courses Covering, *inter alia*, the TBT Agreement

(i) Geneva-Based

Date	Name of course (language)	Organized by
Jan. – Apr. 2005	31 st and 32 nd Trade Policy Course (English)	WTO (ITTC)
May – Jul. 2005	33 rd Trade Policy Course (French)	WTO (ITTC)
Sep. – Dec. 2005	34 th Trade Policy Course (English)	WTO (ITTC)

(ii) Regional

Date	Region	Venue	Organized by
15 February 2005	Caribbean	Jamaica	WTO (ITTC)
14 June 2005	Asia / Pacific	Hong Kong, China	WTO (ITTC)
14-15 July 2005	Africa (English speaking)	Namibia	WTO (ITTC)
5 August 2005	Africa (French speaking)	Morocco	WTO (ITTC)
10 October 2005	Latin America	Chile	WTO (ITTC)