

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE - MEETING OF 9-10 MARCH 2016

THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE WILL HOLD ITS SEVENTY-NINTH REGULAR MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, 9 MARCH 2016, IN THE CENTRE WILLIAM RAPPARD, BEGINNING AT 10 A.M AND CONTINUING ON 10 MARCH AS NECESSARY.

THE FOLLOWING AGENDA IS PROPOSED FOR THE MEETING:

1. THE REVIEW PROCESS
  - A. MATTERS RELEVANT TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMITMENTS UNDER THE REFORM PROGRAMME RAISED UNDER ARTICLE 18.6 OF THE AGREEMENT (SEE ATTACHMENT, SECTION A).
  - B. REVIEW OF NOTIFICATIONS
    - (i) NOTIFICATIONS IN RESPECT OF WHICH QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN RAISED IN ADVANCE OF THE ISSUANCE OF THE CONVENING AIRGRAM (SEE ATTACHMENT, SECTION B)
    - (ii) NOTIFICATIONS SUBJECT TO REVIEW IN RESPECT OF WHICH NO QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN RAISED IN ADVANCE OF THE ISSUANCE OF THE CONVENING AIRGRAM (SEE ATTACHMENT, SECTION C)
    - (iii) NOTIFICATIONS CIRCULATED AFTER THE ISSUANCE OF THE CONVENING AIRGRAM
    - (iv) POINTS CONCERNING NOTIFICATIONS RAISED AT PREVIOUS MEETINGS WHICH HAVE BEEN PURSUED BILATERALLY: INFORMATION REGARDING OUTCOME WHERE THE ISSUE INVOLVED IS ONE OF GENERAL INTEREST
    - (v) COUNTER-NOTIFICATIONS (ARTICLE 18.7 OF THE AGREEMENT)
    - (vi) DEFERRED REPLIES TO QUESTIONS RAISED UNDER THE REVIEW PROCESS
    - (vii) OVERDUE NOTIFICATIONS (G/AG/GEN/86/REV.23, G/AG/W/148 and G/AG/W/112/REV.3)

2. OTHER MATTERS WITHIN THE PURVIEW OF THE COMMITTEE
- A. ANNUAL MONITORING EXERCISE ON THE FOLLOW-UP TO THE MARRAKESH NFIDC DECISION UNDER ARTICLE 16.2 OF THE AGREEMENT ON AGRICULTURE (G/AG/W/42/REV.18 and G/AG/W/42/REV.18/Corr.1)
- (i) CONTRIBUTIONS BY MEMBERS, INCLUDING TABLE NF:1 NOTIFICATIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN CIRCULATED SINCE THE NOVEMBER 2014 MONITORING EXERCISE:

NORWAY	G/AG/N/NOR/79 G/AG/N/NOR/84
RUSSIAN FEDERATION	G/AG/N/RUS/7
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	G/AG/N/USA/105

- (ii) CONTRIBUTIONS BY OBSERVER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS (G/AG/GEN/128)
- B. WTO LIST OF NET FOOD-IMPORTING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES (G/AG/3 AND G/AG/5/REV.10). REQUEST BY<sup>1</sup>
- (i) QATAR
- C. ANNUAL CONSULTATION UNDER ARTICLE 18.5 OF THE AGREEMENT ON AGRICULTURE, WITH RESPECT TO MEMBERS' PARTICIPATION IN THE NORMAL GROWTH OF WORLD TRADE IN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF THE COMMITMENTS ON EXPORT SUBSIDIES (G/AG/W/32/REV.15)
- D. IMPLEMENTATION-RELATED ISSUES (G/AG/16, G/AG/16/ADD.1, G/AG/22)
- E. IMPLEMENTATION OF MINISTERIAL OUTCOMES
- F. OTHER BUSINESS, INCLUDING
- (i) NOTIFICATION WORKSHOP, JULY 2016
- (ii) DATE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING

ALL DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE MEMBERS' WEBSITE:

WTO MEMBERS' WEBSITE ⇔ FORTHCOMING MEETINGS ⇔ DOCUMENTS FOR MEETINGS).

UNRESTRICTED DOCUMENTS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE WTO PUBLIC WEBSITE ON THE WEB PAGE DEDICATED TO THE WORK OF THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE:

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<sup>1</sup> STATISTICAL DATA ACCOMPANYING THE REQUEST CAN BE CONSULTED AT THE AGRICULTURE AND COMMODITIES DIVISION OF THE WTO SECRETARIAT.

WWW.WTO.ORG/AGRICULTURE ⇨ AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND DOCUMENTS

IN ADDITION MEMBERS MAY SEARCH QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED SINCE 1995 IN THE CONTEXT OF THE REVIEW PROCESS OF THE REGULAR COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE THROUGH THE AGRICULTURE INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (AG-IMS).

MEMBERS OF THE WTO, OTHER GOVERNMENTS WITH OBSERVER STATUS AND INTERNATIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS WITH OBSERVER STATUS (FAO, IGC, IMF, OECD, UNCTAD, WFP, THE WORLD BANK AND IICA) WHICH WISH TO BE REPRESENTED AT THIS MEETING ARE REQUESTED TO INFORM THE SECRETARIAT OF THE NAMES OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

ROBERTO AZEVEDO

ATTACHMENT

SECTION A - MATTERS RELEVANT TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMITMENTS UNDER THE REFORM PROGRAMME RAISED UNDER ARTICLE 18.6 OF THE AGREEMENT:

1	EUROPEAN UNION	STATEMENT ON CONSULTATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 5.7
2	INDIA	AUSTRALIA'S FARM INSURANCE ADVICE SCHEME
3	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	BRAZIL'S DOMESTIC SUPPORT PROGRAMMES
4	NEW ZEALAND	CANADA'S NEW MILK INGREDIENT CLASS
5	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	CANADA'S WINE SALE POLICY
6	CANADA	CHINA'S AGRICULTURE POLICY
7	EUROPEAN UNION	CHINA'S MAIZE SUBSIDIES
8	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	COSTA RICA'S COMPLIANCE WITH AMS COMMITMENTS
9	NEW ZEALAND	EUROPEAN UNION'S DAIRY POLICIES
10	INDONESIA	FRANCE'S AMENDMENT NO. 367 TO THE PROPOSED LAW ON BIODIVERSITY
11	NEW ZEALAND	INDIA'S IMPORTATION OF APPLES
12	CANADA, EUROPEAN UNION	INDIA'S NEW CROP INSURANCE SCHEME
13	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	INDIA'S EXPORT ASSISTANCE PROGRAMMES
14	AUSTRALIA, EUROPEAN UNION	INDIA'S SUGAR EXPORT SUBSIDIES
15	CANADA	JAPAN'S "MARUKIN" STABILIZATION PROGRAMME
16	EUROPEAN UNION	JAPAN'S INCREASED SUPPORT TO PIG PRODUCERS THROUGH INCOME PROTECTION PROGRAMME
17	UKRAINE	RUSSIAN FEDERATION'S TRADE MEASURES AFFECTING UKRAINIAN TRANSIT OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS TO KAZAKHSTAN
18	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	THAILAND'S RICE POLICIES
19	EUROPEAN UNION	TURKEY'S DOMESTIC SUPPORT AND EXPORT SUBSIDIES
20	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	TURKEY'S DESTINATION OF WHEAT FLOUR SALE
21	EUROPEAN UNION	TURKEY'S SUPPORT SCHEME TO CERTAIN AGRICULTURAL SECTORS
22	EUROPEAN UNION	TURKEY'S RICE SUPPORT
23	EUROPEAN UNION	TURKEY'S FRUIT AND VEGETABLE EXPORT SUBSIDIES

24	INDIA	U.S. FARM SUPPORT PROGRAMMES
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THE DOCUMENT G/AG/W/148 CONTAINS THE FULL TEXT OF THE ISSUES RAISED UNDER ARTICLE 18.6 OF THE AGREEMENT.

SECTION B - SPECIFIC QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN RAISED IN RESPECT OF THE NOTIFICATIONS LISTED IN THIS SECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMMITTEE'S WORKING PROCEDURES (PARAGRAPHS 8 AND 10 OF G/AG/1). THE DOCUMENT G/AG/W/148 CONTAINS THE FULL TEXT OF THE QUESTIONS WITH APPROPRIATE ANNOTATIONS.

THE SYMBOL [\*] INDICATES THAT THE NOTIFICATION CONCERNED HAS ALREADY BEEN SUBJECT TO REVIEW UNDER PARAGRAPH 7 OF THE WORKING PROCEDURES BUT WILL BE REVERTED TO EITHER AS AGREED BY THE COMMITTEE OR UNDER PARAGRAPH 10 OF THE WORKING PROCEDURES IN G/AG/1.

THE SYMBOL [#] INDICATES THAT THE NOTIFICATION HAS BEEN CARRIED OVER FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING UNDER PARAGRAPH 9 OF THE COMMITTEE'S WORKING PROCEDURES.

- (i) NOTIFICATIONS RELATING TO IMPORTS UNDER TARIFF AND OTHER QUOTA COMMITMENTS (TABLE MA:2):

CHINA	G/AG/N/CHN/30
COSTA RICA	G/AG/N/CRI/53
GUATEMALA	G/AG/N/GTM/50#
UKRAINE	G/AG/N/UKR/21

- (ii) NOTIFICATIONS IN THE CONTEXT OF DOMESTIC SUPPORT COMMITMENTS (TABLE DS:1):

AUSTRALIA	G/AG/N/AUS/89*
BOTSWANA	G/AG/N/BWA/23
BRAZIL	G/AG/N/BRA/40
CHINA	G/AG/N/CHN/28*
EUROPEAN UNION	G/AG/N/EU/26
INDIA	G/AG/N/IND/10*, G/AG/N/IND/10/CORR.1*
MAURITIUS	G/AG/N/MUS/5#
MEXICO	G/AG/N/MEX/28#
NORWAY	G/AG/N/NOR/85
SWITZERLAND	G/AG/N/CHE/72*
TUNISIA	G/AG/N/TUN/45*
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	G/AG/N/ARE/7*, G/AG/N/ARE/8*
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	G/AG/N/USA/93*

- (iii) NOTIFICATIONS IN THE CONTEXT OF EXPORT SUBSIDY COMMITMENTS (TABLES ES:1 TO ES:3):

BRAZIL	G/AG/N/BRA/39	ES:1, ES:2, ES:3
CHINA	G/AG/N/CHN/29	ES:1
ECUADOR	G/AG/N/ECU/40	ES:1
HONG KONG, CHINA	G/AG/N/HKG/39	ES:1
ISRAEL	G/AG/N/ISR/53	ES:1, ES:2
RUSSIAN FEDERATION	G/AG/N/RUS/10	ES:1
UKRAINE	G/AG/N/UKR/22	ES:1

(iv) NOTIFICATIONS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE NFIDC DECISION (TABLE NF:1)

RUSSIAN FEDERATION	G/AG/N/RUS/7
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	G/AG/N/USA/105

SECTION C - NOTIFICATIONS CIRCULATED IN ADVANCE OF THE DATE ON WHICH THE NOTICE CONVENING THE PRESENT MEETING WAS ISSUED, INCLUDING NOTIFICATIONS CARRIED OVER FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING UNDER PARAGRAPH 9 OF THE COMMITTEE'S WORKING PROCEDURES (#), BUT IN RESPECT OF WHICH NO QUESTIONS HAD BEEN RAISED BY THAT DATE UNDER THE COMMITTEE'S WORKING PROCEDURES.

- (i) NOTIFICATIONS RELATING TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF TARIFF AND OTHER QUOTA COMMITMENTS (TABLE MA:1):

EL SALVADOR	G/AG/N/SLV/44
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- (ii) NOTIFICATIONS RELATING TO IMPORTS UNDER TARIFF AND OTHER QUOTA COMMITMENTS (TABLE MA:2):

BRAZIL	G/AG/N/BRA/38
COSTA RICA	G/AG/N/CRI/53
ECUADOR	G/AG/N/ECU/41
EL SALVADOR	G/AG/N/SLV/43
MALAYSIA	G/AG/N/MYS/34/CORR.1
NORWAY	G/AG/N/NOR/81
SWITZERLAND	G/AG/N/CHE/73
CHINESE TAIPEI	G/AG/N/TPKM/126

- (iii) NOTIFICATIONS IN THE CONTEXT OF THE SPECIAL SAFEGUARD (TABLES MA:3 TO MA:5):

BOTSWANA	G/AG/N/BWA/24	MA:5
COSTA RICA	G/AG/N/CRI/52	MA:5
ECUADOR	G/AG/N/ECU/39	MA:5
EL SALVADOR	G/AG/N/SLV/42	MA:5
JAPAN	G/AG/N/JPN/205	MA:3
JAPAN	G/AG/N/JPN/206	MA:3
JAPAN	G/AG/N/JPN/207	MA:3
JAPAN	G/AG/N/JPN/208	MA:3
JAPAN	G/AG/N/JPN/209	MA:3
NORWAY	G/AG/N/NOR/82	MA:5
SWITZERLAND	G/AG/N/CHE/74	MA:5
CHINESE TAIPEI	G/AG/N/TPKM/124#	MA:3
CHINESE TAIPEI	G/AG/N/TPKM/125	MA:3
CHINESE TAIPEI	G/AG/N/TPKM/127	MA:3
CHINESE TAIPEI	G/AG/N/TPKM/128	MA:3
CHINESE TAIPEI	G/AG/N/TPKM/129	MA:3
CHINESE TAIPEI	G/AG/N/TPKM/130	MA:3
CHINESE TAIPEI	G/AG/N/TPKM/131	MA:3
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	G/AG/N/USA/103	MA:3
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	G/AG/N/USA/104	MA:5



(iv) NOTIFICATIONS IN THE CONTEXT OF DOMESTIC SUPPORT COMMITMENTS  
(TABLE DS:1):

BRAZIL	G/AG/N/BRA/37/CORR.1
CHAD	G/AG/N/TCD/2#
CONGO	G/AG/N/COG/3
CUBA	G/AG/N/CUB/51
ECUADOR	G/AG/N/ECU/42
EUROPEAN UNION	G/AG/N/EU/26/CORR.1
HONDURAS	G/AG/N/HND/41/CORR.1
RUSSIAN FEDERATION	G/AG/N/RUS/5/REV.1
SINGAPORE	G/AG/N/SGP/27
SRI LANKA	G/AG/N/LKA/4/CORR.1

(v) NOTIFICATIONS IN THE CONTEXT OF EXPORT SUBSIDY COMMITMENTS  
(TABLES ES:1 TO ES:3):

BOTSWANA	G/AG/N/BWA/25	ES:1
CONGO	G/AG/N/COG/4	ES:1
CUBA	G/AG/N/CUB/50	ES:2
CUBA	G/AG/N/CUB/52	ES:1, ES:2, ES:3
GUATEMALA	G/AG/N/GTM/51	ES:1
HONDURAS	G/AG/N/HND/43	ES:1, ES:2
MALAYSIA	G/AG/N/MYS/35#	ES:1, ES:2
NORWAY	G/AG/N/NOR/83	ES:1, ES:2, ES:3
SENEGAL	G/AG/N/SEN/4	ES:1
SINGAPORE	G/AG/N/SGP/26	ES:1
SOUTH AFRICA	G/AG/N/ZAF/85#	ES:1, ES:2, ES:3
CHINESE TAIPEI	G/AG/N/TPKM/132	ES:1
ZIMBABWE	G/AG/N/ZWE/7#	ES:2