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## PRESHIPMENT INSPECTION

### NOTIFICATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 5 OF THE AGREEMENT ON PRESHIPMENT INSPECTION

#### *Revision*

Article 5 of the Agreement on Preshipment Inspection provides that Members shall submit to the Secretariat copies of the laws and regulations by which they put this Agreement into force, as well as copies of any other laws and regulations relating to preshipment inspection, when the WTO Agreement enters into force with respect to the Member concerned. Changes in the laws and regulations relating to preshipment inspection shall be notified to the Secretariat immediately after their publication. The Secretariat shall inform the Members of the availability of this information.

This document updates and consolidates all information that has been received from Members up to 17 May 2021. Documents which have been notified are available for consultation in the Secretariat, Market Access Division<sup>1</sup>:

#### **1 LAWS AND REGULATIONS PUTTING THE AGREEMENT ON PRESHIPMENT INSPECTION INTO FORCE<sup>2</sup>**

Member	Contents	Date
Argentina	Expediente No. 090-000042/97 del Registro del MINISTERIO DE ECONOMÍA Y OBRAS Y SERVICIOS PÚBLICOS y el Acuerdo sobre Inspección Previa a la Expedición aprobado por Ley No. 24.425; El Programa de Inspección de Preembarque de importaciones; Expediente No. 020-000680/97 del Registro del MINISTERIO DE ECONOMIA Y OBRAS Y SERVICIOS PUBLICOS; Concursos oficiales.	24/02/1998
Brazil	Decree 1,355 of 30 December 1994.	03/02/1997
China	Law of the People's Republic of China on import and export commodity inspection (amended in 2018) and other regulations and measures.	22/10/2019
Ecuador	Notificación de Reformas de Legislación Nacional sobre Inspección Previa a la Expedición.	28/09/1999
European Union	Regulation (EC) 3287/94 on preshipment inspection for exports from the Community to give effect to the WTO Agreement (in the three WTO languages).	31/03/1995
Liechtenstein	Legislation of Switzerland applies to Liechtenstein (Swiss ordinance concerning the implementation of preshipment inspections dated 17 May 1995, see G/PSI/N/1/Add.2).	24/02/1998
Moldova, Republic of	Article 12 of the Law on State Regulation of External Trade and Governmental Decision No. 1009 of 27 September 2001, implements the Agreement in the Republic of Moldova	19/07/2004
Saint Lucia	SLNS 41: 2001 SPECIFICATION FOR PNEUMATIC TYRES FOR PASSENGER VEHICLES SLNS 42:2005 SPECIFICATION FOR PNEUMATIC TYRES FOR NON-PASSENGER VEHICLES Standards Act No 14 of 1990 (Chapter 13.25) Road Vehicle and Road Traffic (Amendment) Act No. 10 of 2006	30/09/2019
Switzerland	Ordinance concerning the implementation of preshipment inspections dated 17 May 1995.	26/07/1995
Uruguay	Notificación de la Ley 16.671 del 13 de diciembre de 1994.	09/10/1996

<sup>1</sup> Available for consultation in the Secretariat (office 1178).

<sup>2</sup> In the language in which it was notified.

**2 OTHER LAWS AND REGULATIONS RELATING TO PRESHIPMENT INSPECTION<sup>3</sup>**

Member	Contents	Date
Albania	Preshipment inspection is covered by Article 11 paragraph 4 and Article 25 of the Law "Customs Code of the Republic of Albania" No. 8449, 27 January 1999.	24/06/2008
Bangladesh	Preshipment Inspection Order 1999 has been issued under Section 25A of Customs Act (Act IV9 of 1969), for appointment of preshipment inspection agencies and to provide for the functions relating to the issuance of certificates by such agencies and other related matters.	19/07/2004
Benin	Décret no. 91-23 du 1er Février 1995 portant institution d'un système de vérification des importations de marchandises à destination de la République du Bénin; Arrêté no. 0227MF7DC7CTE du 6 Février 1991 instituant un Système de Vérification des importations de marchandises à destination de la République du Bénin	03/02/1997
Bolivia, Plurinational State of	Decreto Supremo No. 22514 y de la Resolución Suprema No. 208026 relativos a la inspección previa a la expedición.	03/02/1997
Burkina Faso	Décret No. 92-332/PRES/PM/MFP/MICM du 19 Novembre 1992 portant Programme de Vérification des Importations; Arrêté Interministériel No. 049/MFP/MICM portant application du Décret No. 332/PRES/PM/MFP/MICM.	03/02/1997
Burundi	Contrat d'inspection avant expédition avec la Société Générale de Surveillance (SGS) depuis 1970.	19/07/2004
Central African Republic	Interministerial Order No. 021 of 1 April 2005 on the securing of revenue from timber exports in the Central African Republic.  Contrat avec l'Industrie et la Société Générale de Surveillance (SGS) relatif à la fourniture des services de vérification de la conformité aux normes des produits embarqués à destination de la RCA.	26/04/2010  30/11/2020
Colombia	Decreto 2531 de noviembre 16 de 1994 del Ministerio de Hacienda y Crédito Público; Resolución 5624 de diciembre 9 de 1994 de la Dirección de impuestos y Aduanas Nacionales; Decreto 550 de marzo 31 de 1995 del Ministerio de Hacienda y Crédito Público.	26/07/1995
Congo	Décret No. 99-167 du 23 août 1999 Modifiant le décret No. 95-147 du 8 août 1995 portant institution d'une inspection obligatoire pour les marchandises embarquées à destination du Congo.	23/08/1999
Côte d'Ivoire	Décret 93-113 du 11 mars 1993; Arrêté interministériel no. 38 du 12 mars 1993; Avis aux importateurs et exportateurs no. 93-002 du 12 mars 1993.	09/10/1996
Dem. Rep. of Congo	Notification of administrative procedures for preshipment inspection. Legislation relating to preshipment inspection	24/02/1998 24/06/2008
Ecuador	Mediante Ley No. 2007-93, publicada en el Registro Oficial No. 196 de 23 de octubre de 2007, el Ecuador decidió prescindir de la utilización de regímenes de inspección previa a la expedición.	10/10/2012
Egypt	Ministerial Decree Nos. 961/2012 and 991/2015.  The Decision of the Board of Directors of the National Food Safety Authority (NFSA) No.2/2020 on the Registration of Conformity Assessment Bodies Issuing Certificates of Inspection and Conformity for imported Food Consignments.	22/05/2019  23/09/2020
European Union	Council Regulation N° 3287/94 – List of authorities responsible for preshipment inspection in the EC.	19/07/2004
Georgia	After concluding the contract with the existing company, there is no official entity authorized for the mandatory preshipment inspection, and pursuant to Article 176 of Customs Code of Georgia, the submission of the certificate of the inspection for the customs clearance must not be considered as the compulsory.	19/07/2004
Ghana	Notification of administrative procedures for preshipment inspection.	09/10/1996
Guinea	La République de Guinée applique l'inspection avant expédition dans le cadre du programme de sécurisation des recettes douanières régie par les Décrets 96/095/PRG/SGG du 27 juin 1996 et D99/069/PRG/SGG du 30 juillet 1999.	19/07/2004

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Haiti	Décret du 3 octobre 1983 confiant à la Société Générale de Surveillance (SGS) la vérification qualitative et quantitative des marchandises avant leur embarquement pour Haïti.	28/09/1999
India	Paragraphs 25 and 27 of the Export and Import Policy.	09/10/1996
Indonesia	Presidential Instruction, 3/1991, "The Policy to Expedite the Flow of Goods for the Promotion of Economic Activities" (unofficial translation into English) Decree of the Minister of Finance, 737/KMK.00/1991, "Concerning Customs Procedures in the Field of Imports" (unofficial translation into English).	08/06/1995
Jamaica	Section 19 of the Revenue Board Act and Section 257 of the Customs Act.	09/10/1996
Japan	A law relating to preshipment inspection (in the Japanese language only).	31/03/1995
Korea, Republic of	Domestic laws and regulations relating to preshipment inspection which were incorporated through the amendment of Korea's Foreign Trade Act and its Enforcement Decree in December 1996 and February 1997, respectively.	28/09/1999
Kuwait, the State of	Law Decree No. 13 of 1980 concerning customs; List of import prohibited goods; list of goods and items exempted from customs duty; list of export restricted goods; list of prohibited exported goods; list of imported restricted goods; list of provisional seizures.	24/02/1998
Madagascar	Agreement on the Customs Receipts Security System between the Republic of Madagascar and VERITAS BV of 4 December 1992; Interministerial Order No. 2169 of 7 May 1993 establishing preshipment quality, quantity and price inspection and controls; Interministerial Order No. 6550/93-FIN of 15 December 1993 amending certain provisions of Interministerial Order No. 2169/93 of 7 May 1993; Note No. 2721/MFB/SG/DGRF/D1/CEDEL/LF of 24 December 1993 on the implementation of Order No. 6550/93-FIN of 15 December 1993; Supplemental Agreement No. 2 of 9 June 1995 to the Agreement on the Customs Receipts Security System; Interministerial Order No. 3537/95 of 12 July 1993 amending and supplementing certain provisions of Ministerial Order No. 6550/93 FIN of 15 December 1993.	09/10/1996
	Convention relative au système de sécurisation des recettes douanières entre la République de Madagascar et le bureau Veritas BV du 4 décembre 1992; Arrêté interministériel n° 2169 du 7 mai 1993 instituant une inspection et un contrôle de la qualité, des quantités et des prix avant embarquement; Arrêté interministériel n° 6550/93-FIN du 15 décembre 1993 modifiant certaines dispositions de l'arrêté interministériel n° 2169/93 du 7 mai 1993; Note n° 2721/MFB/SG/DGRF/D1/CEDEL/LF du 24 décembre 1993 relative à l'application de l'arrêté n° 6550/93-FIN du 15 décembre 1993; Avenant n° 2 du 9 juin 1995 à la Convention relative au Système de Sécurisation des recettes douanières; Arrêté interministériel n° 3537/95 du 12 juillet 1993 modifiant et complétant certaines dispositions de l'arrêté ministériel n° 6550/93-FIN du 15 décembre 1993.	28/09/1999
Mali	Décret No. 89-196/P-RM portant institution du contrôle de la qualité, de la quantité, des prix et de la vérification du chapitre douanier des marchandises à l'importation avant expédition; Programme de Vérification des Importations.	24/02/1998
	Décret No. 08/745/P-RM du 12 décembre 2008, portant institution du contrôle de la qualité, de la quantité, du prix, de la position tarifaire et de la valeur en douane à l'importation avant expédition et du scanning des marchandises à destination.	05/02/2013
Mexico	Acuerdo que establece el aviso automático de importación, y al efecto adiciona el similar que establece la clasificación y codificación de mercancías cuya importación y exportación está sujeta al requisito de permiso previo por parte de la Secretaría de Comercio y Fomento Industrial.	28/09/1999
Mozambique	Pre-shipment Inspection Regulation, Ministerial Despatch No. 207/98 of 25 November 1998.	24/06/2008

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Niger	Décret No. 96-021/PCSN/MF/P du 12 Février 1996 portant institution d'un Programme d'Inspection et de Vérification des Importations; Arrêté Interministériel No. 0184/MFP/P/MCA/T/T du 10 Juin 1996 portant application du Décret No. 96-021/PCSN/MF/P.	03/02/1997
	Décret no. 96-021/PCSN/MF/P du 12 février 1996 modifié par le Décret no. 96-370/PRN/MEF/P du 18 Octobre 1996 portant institution d'un programme d'inspection et de vérification des importations en République du Niger; Arrêté Interministériel no. 0184/MFP/MCA/T/T du 10 Juin 1996 portant application du décret no. 96-921/PCN du 12 février 1996.	24/02/1998
Nigeria	Notification explaining phase-out of PSI in Nigeria.	24/02/1998
Pakistan	Statutory Notification of 14 November 1994, "Customs".	08/06/1995
Papua New Guinea	The legislation is applicable to logging industry, which is specified in Clause 134 of Forestry Act 1991, and Clauses 233 and 234 of Forestry Regulation legislation	19/07/2004
Paraguay	Resolución 1171 del Ministerio de Hacienda de fecha 3 de julio de 1996 por el cual se reglamenta el procedimiento operativo para importaciones con inspecciones pre-embarque.	06/06/1997
Peru	D. Leg. N° 659 "Establece nuevo procedimiento para las operaciones de importación de mercancías"; D.S. N° 038-92-EF "Aprueba el reglamento para las empresas verificadoras que supervisarán las operaciones de importación y depósito de mercancías"; D.L. N° 25713 "Precisa el alcance de norma que establece el régimen de supervisión de importaciones para diversos bienes"; D.L. N° 25723 "Dispone la inspección en origen de las mercancías que se destinen a las zonas de tratamiento especial comercial, cuyo valor FOB sea mayor al US\$2,000"; Directiva N° 7-D-22-92 SUNAD-INTA; D.S. N° 265-91-EF "Establece los procedimientos y trámites que operativicen el proceso de supervisión de importaciones y depósito de mercancías".	12/07/1996
	Decreto Supremo N° 003-96-EF: "Excluyen del sistema de supervisión de importaciones y depósito de mercancías a los commodities a que se refiere el -Decreto Supremo N° 038-92-EF" (6/1/96); - Decreto Supremo N° 004-96-EF: "Exceptúan del Régimen de Supervisión a las importaciones que efectúe el Estado" (6/1/96); -Decreto Supremo N° 015-97-EF: "Aprueban normas referidas a la aplicación del sistema de supervisión de importaciones a las solicitudes de inspección de mercancías" (25/2/97).	06/06/1997
Philippines	Joint Order 1-91 for the Implementation of the Comprehensive Import Supervision Service.	09/10/1996
Russian Federation	Federal Law of 8 December 2003 N° 164-FL on the Fundamentals of the State Regulation of Foreign Trade Activity. The authorities of the Russian Federation do not currently require any inspection services subject to provisions of the Agreement.	21/09/2012
Senegal	Notification of Decree 91-1221 of 14 November 1991 and Order No. 01000 of 22 November 1991.	09/10/1996
Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu	Foreign Trade Act amended to add Article 2001 in force on 1 January 1999. Regulations on the Management and Supervision of Preshipment Inspection promulgated on 12 May 1999.	19/07/2004
Suriname	Decree E-30 of 3 December 1981 (in Dutch).	28/09/1999
Turkey	Communiqué on the Status of International Supervising Companies (Export 96/6).	24/02/1998
Uganda	Notification of contract with Société Générale de Surveillance and Supplemental Agreement to the contract.	09/10/1996
Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of	Decreto No° 2.288 del 27.01.03, Reforma parcial del Reglamento sobre la inspección y verificación previa a la importaciones; Providencia N° SNAT/2003/1.761 del 02.05.03, establece la obligación de empresas verificadoras de transmitir electrónicamente en un máximo de 24 horas sus informes de verificación, tanto a los importadores, como a la Administración Aduanera; Providencia N° SNAT/2003/1.743-746 del 14.04.03, Autorización para las varias empresas de Inspección previa a la expedición puedan prestar sus servicios.	19/07/2004

**3 CHANGES IN LAWS AND REGULATIONS RELATING TO PRESHIPMENT INSPECTION**

Member	Contents	Date
Argentina	Resoluciones del Ministerio de Economía y obras y Servicios Públicos No. 58/99 y 217/99 y las Disposiciones del Comité Ejecutivo del Programa de Inspección de Preembarque de Importaciones No. 2/99, 3/99 y 4/99, que modifican algunos aspectos operativos del Programa de Inspección de Preembarque de las Importaciones aplicado por la República Argentina.	21/03/2001
Bolivia, Plurinational state of	Decreto Supremo No. 24851 del 20 de septiembre de 1997; Decreto Supremo No. 22514 del 24 de agosto de 1990; Resolución Suprema No. 208026.	28/09/1999
Ghana	Ministry of Trade and Industry Notice to Importers: Revised Procedures for Preshipment, 13 October 1997; New Procedure for Preshipment Inspection of Imports, 6 July 1995.	28/09/1999
Indonesia	The Government of Indonesia informs Members that "the notification contained in G/PSI/N/1/Add.1 is no longer valid as the Government of Indonesia, since 1 April 1997, does not apply preshipment inspection for its imports. For imported goods, customs examination is carried out by Indonesian Customs at the place where the goods are imported in the territory".	06/06/1997
Niger	Décret n° 96-021/PCSN/MF/P du 12 février 1996, modifié par Décret n° 96-370/PRN/MEF/P du 18 octobre 1996 instituant un programme d'inspection et de vérification des importations en République du Niger; Arrêté interministériel n° 0184/MFP/MCA/T/T du 10 juin 1996 portant application du Décret n° 96-021/PCSN du 12 février 1996.	28/09/1999
Peru	Las siguientes normas legales complementarias relativas al régimen de inspección previa a la expedición: Decreto Supremo No. 005-96-EF: "Reglamento de Infracciones y Sanciones de las Empresas Supervisoras", publicado en el Diario Oficial el 8 de enero de 1996; Decreto Supremo No. 67-95-EF: "Crean subcomisión encargada de evaluar reclamos derivados del incumplimiento contractual de obligaciones asumidas por las empresas verificadoras con los importadores", publicado en el Diario Oficial el 5 de abril de 1995.	24/02/1998
	Decreto Supremo N°008-2002-EF, del 14 de enero de 2002, mediante el cual se amplió la lista de mercancías excluidas del sistema de supervisión de importaciones establecido por el Decreto Legislativo N°659 y sus normas reglamentarias, complementarias y modificatorias.	19/07/2004

**4 MEMBERS NOTIFYING THAT THEY HAVE NO LAWS OR REGULATIONS RELATING TO PRESHIPMENT INSPECTION**

Member	Date
Afghanistan	04/06/2018
	16/04/2021
Angola	15/10/2018
Armenia	19/07/2004
Australia	24/02/1998
Bahrain, Kingdom of	06/06/1997
Brazil	07/12/2018
Brunei Darussalam	03/02/1997
Bulgaria	06/06/1997
Cambodia	26/04/2010
Canada	12/07/1996
Chad	28/09/1999
	21/03/2001
Chile	31/03/1995
Costa Rica	08/06/1995
Croatia	26/04/2010
Cuba	12/07/1996
Cyprus	05/12/1997
Czech Republic	12/07/1996
Dominica	28/09/1999
	19/07/2004
Dominican Republic	27/06/2011
Ecuador	03/10/2012
El Salvador	06/06/1997

Member	Date
Estonia	21/03/2001
	19/07/2004
Fiji	06/06/1997
	28/09/1999
Gabon	19/07/2004
The Gambia	11/01/2011
	13/01/2014
Grenada	19/07/2004
Guatemala	21/03/2001
	19/07/2004
Guyana	19/07/2004
Honduras	03/02/1997
Hong Kong, China	31/03/1995
Hungary	26/07/1995
Iceland	09/10/1996
Indonesia	06/06/1997
Israel	03/02/1997
Jordan	21/03/2001
	24/06/2008
Kazakhstan	16/09/2016
Kyrgyz Republic	21/03/2001
Latvia	28/09/1999
Lao, People's Democratic Republic	28/06/2013
Lesotho	26/04/2010
	11/01/2013
Macao, China	24/08/1999
Malawi	18/05/2015
Malaysia	12/07/1996
Maldives	28/09/1999
Malta	28/09/1999
Mauritius	19/07/2004
Mongolia	24/02/1998
	28/09/1999
Montenegro	15/10/2020
Myanmar	19/07/2004
Namibia	06/06/1997
New Zealand	03/02/1997
Nicaragua	18/07/1996
	22/09/2010
Norway	12/07/1996
Oman	21/03/2001
	19/07/2004
	26/04/2010
Panama	28/09/1999
Poland	23/04/1996
Qatar	28/09/1999
Romania	28/09/1999
Saint Kitts and Nevis	28/09/1999
Saint Lucia	12/07/1996
Samoa	21/06/2013
Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of	24/06/2008
Seychelles	09/09/2020
Singapore	26/07/1995
Slovak Republic	28/09/1999
Slovenia	12/07/1996
South Africa	03/02/1997
Sri Lanka	19/07/2004
Suriname	12/07/1996
Thailand	04/06/2012
Togo	23/03/2012
Tonga	11/06/2020
Trinidad and Tobago	28/09/1999
	24/06/2008
Tunisia	03/02/1997
Ukraine	01/02/2021
United Arab Emirates	03/02/1997

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Member	Date
United States	09/10/1996
Vanuatu	12/07/2016
Zambia	19/07/2004
Zimbabwe	12/07/1996

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