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REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TRADE FACILITATION AGREEMENT

COMMUNICATION FROM BANGLADESH

The following communication, dated 7 November 2023, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Bangladesh.

In accordance with the recommendation resulting from the first review of the operation and implementation of the Trade Facilitation Agreement (G/TFA/2, paragraph 9.2 vi.)¹, Bangladesh hereby confirms, for information purposes, that it has fulfilled its commitments under Articles 7.2 and 10.9 of the Trade Facilitation Agreement, as detailed below:

Article	Regulatory text issued	Link to text
Article 7.2 – E-Payment for all Customs Stations and Houses	National Board of Revenue Letter Document No.- 08.01.0000.067.10.003.19/185, dated 31 August 2020	https://nbr.gov.bd/uploads/public-notice/E-payment_Letter_No-1.pdf
	National Board of Revenue letter Document No- 08.01.0000.066.31.009.20 (Part-1)/166, dated 1 September 2021	https://nbr.gov.bd/uploads/public-notice/E-payment_Letter_No-2.pdf
	NBR letter No. 08.01.0000.066.31.009.20 (part-1)/222, dated 22 November 2021	https://nbr.gov.bd/uploads/public-notice/E-payment_Letter_No-3.pdf
Article 10.9 – Temporary admission of Goods Inward and Outward Processing	Statutory Regulating Order regarding Temporary admission of goods and inward and outward processing issued on 27/01/2022	https://nbr.gov.bd/uploads/sros/IMG_20220208_0001.pdf

¹ Building on the discussions during this first review of the operation and implementation of the Trade Facilitation Agreement, and with a view to furthering its work in regard to Section II of the TFA, the Committee:

vi. recommends that Members whose implementation dates have passed for their category B or C provisions, and on a voluntary basis and for informational purposes only: (i) confirm the passing of implementation dates in any form or reporting (orally or in writing); and/or (ii) share their implementation experiences with the Committee while explicitly mentioning the provision they have implemented. Category B and Category C provisions shall be implemented on the definitive dates as notified by Members as per Article 16.5 of the Agreement. The Committee could encourage those Members who have implemented category B provisions in particular to take the actions above. It should be noted that this proposal never intends to modify the Members' obligations under the TFA.