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**Committee on Trade Facilitation**

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**NOTIFICATION OF CATEGORY COMMITMENTS UNDER  
THE AGREEMENT ON TRADE FACILITATION**

COMMUNICATION FROM BENIN

The following communication, dated 21 February 2020, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Benin for Members' information.

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The Republic of Benin hereby makes the following notifications in accordance with Articles 15 and 16 of the Trade Facilitation Agreement (WT/L/931).

Provision	Heading/Description	Category	Indicative date for implementation (for categories B and C)	Definitive date for implementation (for categories B and C)	Assistance and Support for Capacity Building Required for Implementation (for category C)
<b>Article 1 Publication and Availability of Information</b>					
Article 1.1	Publication	A	-	-	-
Article 1.2	Information Available through Internet	B	31 December 2019	30 June 2020	-
Article 1.3	Enquiry Points	A	-	-	-
Article 1.4	Notification	B	31 December 2019	30 June 2020	-
<b>Article 2 Opportunity to Comment, Information before Entry into Force and Consultations</b>					
Article 2.1	Opportunity to Comment and Information before Entry into Force	B	30 June 2020	31 December 2020	-
Article 2.2	Consultations	B	30 June 2020	31 December 2020	-
<b>Article 3 Advance Rulings</b>					
		A	-	-	-
<b>Article 4 Procedures for Appeal or Review</b>					
		B	30 April 2020	31 December 2020	-
<b>Article 5 Other Measures to Enhance Impartiality, Non-Discrimination and Transparency</b>					
Article 5.1	Notification for Enhanced Controls or Inspections	A	-	-	-
Article 5.2	Detention	A	-	-	-
Article 5.3	Test Procedures	A	-	-	-
<b>Article 6 Disciplines on Fees and Charges Imposed on or in Connection with Importation and Exportation and Penalties</b>					
Article 6.1	General Disciplines on Fees and Charges Imposed on or in Connection with Importation and Exportation	A	-	-	-
Article 6.2	Specific Disciplines on Fees and Charges for Customs Processing Imposed on or in Connection with Importation and Exportation	A	-	-	-
Article 6.3	Penalty Disciplines	A	-	-	-
<b>Article 7 Release and Clearance of Goods</b>					
Article 7.1	Pre-arrival Processing	A	-	-	-
Article 7.2	Electronic Payment	B	29 March 2019	31 December 2020	-
Article 7.3	Separation of Release from Final Determination of Customs Duties, Taxes, Fees and Charges	C	30 June 2020	31 December 2020	- Evaluation of the existing provision - Capacity-building for the various stakeholders - Experience-sharing with States that have achieved successful implementation - Training in the formulation of technical assistance
Article 7.4	Risk Management	B	31 December 2019	30 June 2020	-
Article 7.5	Post-clearance Audit	A	-	-	-

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Article 7.6	Establishment and Publication of Average Release Times	C	30 June 2020	31 December 2020	- Organization of a mission to share experiences and good practices - WCO TACB mission on TRS
Article 7.7	Trade Facilitation Measures for Authorized Operators	A	-	-	-
Article 7.8	Expedited Shipments	B	30 June 2020	31 December 2020	-
Article 7.9	Perishable Goods	A	-	-	-
<b>Article 8 Border Agency Cooperation</b>					
		B	30 June 2020	31 December 2020	-
<b>Article 9 Movement of Goods Intended for Import under Customs Control</b>					
		A	-	-	-
<b>Article 10 Formalities Connected with Importation, Exportation and Transit</b>					
Article 10.1	Formalities and Documentation Requirements	A	-	-	-
Article 10.2	Acceptance of Copies	B	30 June 2020	31 December 2020	-
Article 10.3	Use of International Standards	A	-	-	-
Article 10.4	Single Window	B	30 June 2020	31 December 2020	-
Article 10.5	Pre-shipment Inspection	A	-	-	-
Article 10.6	Use of Customs Brokers	A	-	-	-
Article 10.7	Common Border Procedures and Uniform Documentation Requirements	A	-	-	-
Article 10.8	Rejected Goods	A	-	-	-
Article 10.9	Temporary Admission of Goods and Inward and Outward Processing	A	-	-	-
<b>Article 11 Freedom of Transit</b>					
		C	31 December 2020	31 December 2021	- Capacity-building with regard to 'freedom of transit' or World Customs Organization (WCO) directives relating to transit - Technical assistance for the establishment of joint border posts (JBP), separate physical infrastructures for transit traffic
<b>Article 12 Customs Cooperation</b>					
		A	-	-	-