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Committee on Trade Facilitation

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

COMMUNICATION FROM DOMINICA

The following communication, dated 26 February 2019, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Dominica for Members' information.

Following up on the notification dated 29 April 2015 (WT/PCTF/N/DMA/1), the Commonwealth of Dominica 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)
Article 1 Publication and Availability of Information					
Article 1.1	Publication	A	-	-	-
Article 1.2	Information Available through Internet	A	-	-	-
Article 1.3	Enquiry Points	C	31 December 2019	To be determined	Technical assistance to draft Legislation.
Article 1.4	Notification	A	-	-	-
Article 2 Opportunity to Comment, Information before Entry into Force and Consultations					
Article 2.1	Opportunity to Comment and Information Before Entry into Force	A	-	-	-
Article 2.2	Consultations	A	-	-	-
Article 3 Advance Rulings					
		C	31 December 2020	To be determined	Technical Assistance to draft Legislation to lay the legal platform for a National Ruling Processing Unit in Dominica.
Article 4 Procedures for Appeal or Review					
		A	-	-	-
Article 5 Other Measures to Enhance Impartiality, Non-Discrimination and Transparency					
Article 5.1	Notification for Enhanced Controls or Inspections	A	-	-	-
Article 5.2	Detention	A	-	-	-
Article 5.3	Test Procedures	C	31 December 2021	To be determined	Financial Assistance to procure necessary Laboratory Equipment. TACB for accreditation of Laboratory to carry out confirmatory tests for goods imported into Dominica.
Article 6 Disciplines on Fees and Charges Imposed on or in Connection with Importation and Exportation and Penalties					
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	C	30 June 2020	To be determined	Technical Assistance for mapping and costing the services rendered by Customs including the development of a fair and transparent Fee Structure.
Article 6.3	Penalty Disciplines	A	-	-	-
Article 7 Release and Clearance of Goods					
Article 7.1	Pre-arrival Processing	A	-	-	-
Article 7.2	Electronic Payment	A	-	-	-

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Article 7.3	Separation of Release from Final Determination of Customs Duties, Taxes, Fees and Charges	A	-	-	-
Article 7.4	Risk Management	A	-	-	-
Article 7.5	Post-clearance Audit	A	-	-	-
Article 7.6	Establishment and Publication of Average Release Times	C	31 December 2020	To be determined	Technical Assistance for preparation of a Guide to measure the average time for release of goods from importation to exit from Port of Entry. Training
Article 7.7	Trade Facilitation Measures for Authorized Operators	B	31 December 2019	31 December 2021	-
Article 7.8	Expedited Shipments	A	-	-	-
Article 7.9	Perishable Goods	C	31 December 2019	To be determined	Legal guidelines for the processing of perishable goods to be developed and implemented.
Article 8 Border Agency Cooperation					
		A	-	-	-
Article 9 Movement of Goods Intended for Import under Customs Control					
		A	-	-	-
Article 10 Formalities Connected with Importation, Exportation and Transit					
Article 10.1	Formalities and Documentation Requirements	A	-	-	-
Article 10.2	Acceptance of Copies	A	-	-	-
Article 10.3	Use of International Standards	A	-	-	-
Article 10.4	Single Window	C	31 December 2022	To be determined	Administrative/Operational support to develop a model harmonized common data proposal for relevant Border Agencies including proposal for single payment of all fees. With concept paper already developed, financing for database construction and Consultancy Services. Technical Assistance to update the Legislative, Institutional and Regulatory framework of relevant Agencies.

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					Training for users of the Single Window to include all Border Agencies, Shippers, and Customs Brokers among others. Develop a monitoring and evaluation mechanism. Sensitization of the Private Sector
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	C	31 December 2019	To be determined	Legal Guidelines for the procedure and disposal of rejected goods to be developed and implemented by the relevant Agencies e.g. Divisions of Agriculture, Bureau of Standards and the Environmental Health Unit among others.
Article 10.9	Temporary Admission of Goods and Inward and Outward Processing	A	-	-	-
Article 11 Freedom of Transit		A	-	-	-
Article 12 Customs Cooperation		C	31 December 2020	To be determined	Technical and Financial Assistance for required updates to the ASYCUDA World System. Training for Customs Officers, Ships and Courier Agents, Consolidators and Freight Forwarders in the new aspects of reporting cargo consignments in ASYCUDA World. Technical Assistance to develop Guidelines for information sharing at the regional/international levels.