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Committee on Trade Facilitation

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

COMMUNICATION FROM ZAMBIA

*Corrigendum**

The following text should read as follows:

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 Implementatio n (for category C)
Article 8 Border Agency Cooperation					
		C	31 January 2023	31 December 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stakeholder education on border operations Support for development of the Regulations for the Coordinated Border Management and Trade Facilitation Act
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Article 10 Formalities Connected with Importation, Exportation and Transit					
Article 10.9	Temporary Admission of Goods and Inward and Outward Processing	B	31 December 2020	31 December 2020	-

For ease of reference, Zambia's full list of category commitments are summarized in the table as attached herewith.

* In English only.

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Article 1 Publication and Availability of Information					
Article 1.1	Publication	B	31 December 2019	30 June 2020	-
Article 1.2	Information Available through Internet	C	31 December 2019	30 June 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stakeholder awareness campaigns to promote the E-Portal
Article 1.3	Enquiry Points	C	31 December 2020	31 December 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expand enquiry points beyond ZRA to other Agencies Strengthen SPS Committee Establish a national call centre to answer to TF issues Public awareness campaigns to publicise the national call centre
Article 1.4	Notification	C	31 December 2022	31 December 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Administrative Support for the NCTF Secretariat
Article 2 Opportunity to Comment, Information before Entry into Force and Consultations					
Article 2.1	Opportunity to Comment and Information Before Entry into Force	B	31 December 2020	31 December 2020	-
Article 2.2	Consultations	B	31 December 2020	31 December 2020	-
Article 3 Advance Rulings					
		B	31 December 2021	31 December 2021	-
Article 4 Procedures for Appeal or Review					
		B	30 November 2019	30 June 2020	-
Article 5 Other Measures to Enhance Impartiality, Non-Discrimination and Transparency					
Article 5.1	Notification for Enhanced Controls or Inspections	C	31 December 2024	31 December 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support for setting up Destination Inspection Yards to encourage further joint inspections by agencies. This support is expected to reduce agencies at the border.
Article 5.2	Detention	B	31 December 2024	31 December 2024	-
Article 5.3	Test Procedures	C	31 December 2024	31 December 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Infrastructure development of laboratory facilities/onsite laboratory facilities Implementation of electronic interfaces between the accredited laboratories, XRF Analysers and the ASYCUDA World Capacity building of staff operating laboratories accreditation of identified laboratories
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	C	31 December 2021	31 December 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Harmonization of statutory fees Extend the use of the single payment point to all relevant agencies Stakeholder engagements

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Article 6.2	Specific Disciplines on Fees and Charges for Customs Processing Imposed on or in Connection with Importation and Exportation	B	31 December 2021	31 December 2022	-
Article 6.3	Penalty Disciplines	C	31 December 2019	31 December 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Legislative review • Stakeholder engagement
Article 7 Release and Clearance of Goods					
Article 7.1	Pre-arrival Processing	C	31 December 2022	31 December 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Automation of Entry and Exit Gates • Introduction of mandatory Pre-Clearance • Stakeholder engagement
Article 7.2	Electronic Payment	C	31 December 2025	31 December 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connect all other relevant agencies to the electronic payment system • Stakeholder education on e-payment
Article 7.3	Separation of Release from Final Determination of Customs Duties, Taxes, Fees and Charges	B	31 December 2022	31 December 2022	-
Article 7.4	Risk Management	C	31 December 2025	31 December 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICT technical Infrastructure/back up and security preparedness • Develop Multi-Agency Risk Management Framework • Implement Multi-Agency Risk Management Framework on ASYCUDA World Selectivity Platform • Implement the Governance structures for Multi-Agency Risk Management framework • Capacity building on sustainable operations of Multi-Agency Risk Management Framework • Connect scanners to ASYCUDA World
Article 7.5	Post-clearance Audit	C	31 December 2025	31 December 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capacity building in Post Clearance Audit (PCA) in all relevant government agencies • Stakeholder engagement

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Article 7.6	Establishment and Publication of Average Release Times	C	31 December 2020	31 December 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support for capacity building for agencies to be able to carry our Time Release Studies in future for sustainability of commitments under Article 7.6 Stakeholder engagement to discuss and disseminate the results of the study
Article 7.7	Trade Facilitation Measures for Authorized Operators	C	31 December 2024	31 December 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support for the introduction of the multi-agency framework for the Authorized Economic Operator (AEO) concept Stakeholder education on benefits of being recognised as Authorized Economic Operator by any agency
Article 7.8	Expedited Shipments	C	31 December 2021	31 December 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stakeholder awareness
Article 7.9	Perishable Goods	B	31 December 2025	31 December 2025	-
Article 8 Border Agency Cooperation					
		C	31 January 2023	31 December 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stakeholder education on border operations Support for development of the Regulations for the Coordinated Border Management and Trade Facilitation Act
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	C	31 December 2021	31 December 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementation of electronic Certificates of Origin with SADC, COMESA, EU and Others Extend the platform to other agencies that issue Import/Export Permits, regulatory approvals under Single Window framework Stakeholder education on formalities and documentation requirements
Article 10.2	Acceptance of Copies	B	31 December 2019	31 December 2020	-

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Article 10.3	Use of International Standards	C	31 December 2024	31 December 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support Zambia Bureau of Standards (ZABS) in order to adopt international standards Support ZCSA on the application and Implementation of international standards and Conformity Assessment procedures Domestication of international standards Stakeholder education on domesticated international standards
Article 10.4	Single Window	C	31 December 2030	31 December 2030	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support the implementation of Phase II of Single Window (remaining twenty-six (26) processes) Publicity of National Electronic Single Window processes and activities
Article 10.5	Pre-shipment Inspection	A	-	-	-
Article 10.6	Use of Customs Brokers	C	31 December 2022	31 December 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Automate Licensing process for Clearing Agents Develop Self-Assessment System Accreditation of Clearing Agencies Capacity building of Clearing Agents Stakeholder education on implemented activities
Article 10.7	Common Border Procedures and Uniform Documentation Requirements	A	-	-	-
Article 10.8	Rejected Goods	B	31 December 2023	31 December 2023	-
Article 10.9	Temporary Admission of Goods and Inward and Outward Processing	B	31 December 2020	31 December 2020	-
Article 11 Freedom of Transit					
Article 11.1-11.3		C	31 December 2025	31 December 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implementation of electronic exchange of data with other Customs administrations Implementation of Electronic Cargo Tracking System (ECTS) within Zambia Implementation of Electronic Cargo Tracking System along corridors Implementation of Regional Transit Guarantee Scheme Stakeholder education on transit procedures and controls

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Article 11.4-11.6		A	-	-	-
Article 11.7-11.17		C	31 December 2030	31 December 2030	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementation of electronic exchange of data with other Customs administration • Implementation of Electronic Cargo Tracking System (ECTS) within Zambia • Implementation of ECTS along corridors • Implementation of Regional Transit Guarantee Scheme • Stakeholder education on transit procedures and controls
Article 12 Customs Cooperation					
		C	31 December 2038	31 December 2038	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for the implementation of OSBPs at the following posts: Nakonde/Tunduma (with Tanzania); Kasumbalesa (with DRC) and Chanida (with Mozambique) • Stakeholder education on implemented reforms