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Committee on Regional Trade Agreements

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NOTIFICATION OF REGIONAL TRADE AGREEMENT

1. Member(s) notifying:	United Kingdom and Tunisia
2. Date of notification:	31 December 2020
3. Notification pursuant to	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Article XXIV:7(a) of GATT 1994</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Article V:7(a) of GATS</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Paragraph 4(a) of the Enabling Clause</p>
4. Parties to the Agreement:	United Kingdom of the one part; and Tunisia of the other part.
5. Date of signature:	04 October 2019
6. Date(s) of entry into Force:	01 January 2021
7. Brief description of the Agreement:	<p>The previous trading relationship between the United Kingdom and Tunisia was governed by the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Tunisia, of the other part (the "EU-Tunisia Association Agreement") and by the Protocol between the European Union and the Republic of Tunisia establishing a Dispute Settlement Mechanism applicable to disputes under the trade provisions of the EU-Tunisia Association Agreement (the "EU-Tunisia Dispute Settlement Mechanism Protocol"). See document series: WT/REG69.</p> <p>The Agreement establishing an Association Between the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Republic of Tunisia ("The Agreement") is based on the EU-Tunisia Association Agreement and the EU-Tunisia Dispute Settlement Mechanism Protocol.</p> <p>The Agreement establishes a free trade area for trade in goods, within the meaning of Article XXIV of the GATT 1994, including provisions on rules of origin, preferential tariffs and quotas.</p> <p>It also establishes a political and economic association between the United Kingdom and Tunisia. It contains cooperation commitments in agriculture, education, energy, environment, tourism and social and cultural matters. The Agreement replicates the institutional framework of the EU-Tunisia Association Agreement with minor modifications.</p>
8. Text and related schedules, annexes and protocols are:	<p><input type="checkbox"/> submitted to the WTO Secretariat (electronic format)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> available from the following official Internet link(s):</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/cs-tunisia-no12019-uktunisia-agreement-establishing-an-association</p>