



# Afghanistan

Ratified Agreement: **Yes**

Ratification Date: **2016-07-29**

## Implementation Notifications (Categories A, B, C)

				Due date	Status
Notified all category ABC designations				by 22 February 2018	<b>Yes</b>
<b>A</b> - 11.3%	<b>B</b> - 27.3%	<b>C</b> - 61.3%	<b>Not yet notified</b> - 0.0%		
Notified indicative dates in <b>Category B</b>				by 22 February 2018	<b>Yes</b>
Notified definitive dates in <b>Category B</b>				Extension agreed until 31 August 2020	<b>Yes</b>
Notified indicative dates in <b>Category C</b>				by 22 February 2021	<b>Yes</b>
Notified definitive dates in <b>Category C</b>				by 22 August 2022	<b>No</b>
Notified Technical Assistance requirements				by 22 February 2019	<b>Yes</b>
Notified arrangements on the provision of technical assistance support				by 22 February 2021	<b>No</b>
Notified progress in the provision of technical assistance support				by 22 August 2022	<b>No</b>

### Transparency notifications

Notified Art. 1.4	Category B	Definitive implementation date 31 December 2021	No
Notified Art. 10.4.3	Category C	Definitive implementation date to be determined	No
Notified Art. 10.6.2	Category A	Definitive implementation date 22 February 2018	No
Notified Art. 12.2	Category C	Definitive implementation date to be determined	No

### Information on Assistance and Capacity Building

Notified Art. 22.3	Yes
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#### Legend:

Yes

Notification presented

No

Notification due

No

Notification not yet due

Implementation schedule			Indicative implementation date	Definitive implementation date
1.1	Publication	B	by 31 December 2020	by 31 December 2020
1.2	Information available through internet	C	by 31 December 2020	To be determined
1.3	Enquiry points	C	by 31 December 2021	To be determined
1.4	Notification	B	by 31 December 2021	by 31 December 2021
2.1	Comments and information before entry into force	C	by 31 December 2019	To be determined
2.2	Consultations	C	by 31 December 2022	To be determined
3	Advance rulings	C	by 31 December 2019	To be determined
4	Procedures for appeal or review	B	by 31 December 2027	by 31 December 2027
5.1	Notifications for enhanced controls or inspections	C	by 31 December 2023	To be determined
5.2	Detention	A		by 22 February 2018
5.3	Test procedures	C	by 31 December 2022	To be determined
6.1	General disciplines on fees and charges	B	by 31 December 2021	by 31 December 2021
6.2	Specific disciplines on fees and charges	B	by 31 December 2023	by 31 December 2023
6.3	Penalty Disciplines	B	by 31 December 2027	by 31 December 2027
7.1	Pre-arrival processing	C	by 31 December 2024	To be determined
7.2	Electronic payment	C B»C	by 31 December 2024	To be determined
7.3	Separation of release	A		by 22 February 2018
7.4	Risk management	C B»C	by 31 December 2024	To be determined

Implementation schedule			Indicative implementation date	Definitive implementation date
7.5	Post-clearance audit	C B»C	by 31 December 2024	To be determined
7.6	Average release times	C	by 31 December 2024	To be determined
7.7	Authorized operators	C	by 31 December 2024	To be determined
7.8	Expedited shipments	C	by 31 December 2022	To be determined
7.9	Perishable goods	B	by 31 December 2025	by 31 December 2025
8	Border Agency Cooperation	C	by 31 December 2027	To be determined
9	Movement of goods	B	by 31 December 2024	by 31 December 2024
10.1	Formalities	B	by 31 December 2022	by 31 December 2022
10.2	Acceptance of copies	C	by 31 December 2022	To be determined
10.3	Use of international standards	C	by 31 December 2027	To be determined
10.4	Single window	C	by 31 December 2027	To be determined
10.5	Preshipment inspection	A		by 22 February 2018
10.6	Use of customs brokers	A		by 22 February 2018
10.7	Common border procedures	B	by 31 December 2027	by 31 December 2027
10.8	Rejected Goods	B	by 31 December 2021	by 31 December 2021
10.9	Temporary admission of goods and inward and outward processing	A		by 22 February 2018
11	Transit	Ap Bp Cp	from 22 February 2018 to 31 December 2027	by 22 February 2018 & To be determined
12	Customs cooperation	Bp Cp	by 31 December 2027	by 31 December 2027 & To be determined

## Legend

A	Notified in Cat. A	Ap	Partially notified in A		
B	Notified in Cat. B	Bp	Partially notified in B	C»B	Shift from C to B
C	Notified in Cat. C	Cp	Partially notified in C	B»C	Shift from B to C
N	Not yet notified	E	Extension of time requested		

## Notifications and other documents

Symbol	Date	Description
G/TFA/N/AFG/2/Corr.1	2021-05-12	Article 22.3 - Corrigendum
G/TFA/N/AFG/2	2021-05-05	Article 22.3
G/TFA/N/AFG/1/Add.2	2020-05-18	Category B and C notification - Addendum 2
G/TFA/N/AFG/1/Add.1	2020-02-19	Category B notification - Extension of time request to notify Cat. B definitive dates
G/TFA/N/AFG/1	2018-03-02	Categories A, B and C notification

## Experience Sharing

### 11 - Transit

Date	Title
20 October 2020 - 22 October 2020	Status and challenges of Trade Facilitation Agreement Implementation in Afghanistan

1.2 Information available through internet



1.2.1 (a), (b), (c)  
1.2.2  
1.2.3

**Indicative date of implementation**  
31 December 2020

**Definitive date of implementation**  
To be determined

**Assistance required for implementation**

- Technical assistance and capacity building for establishment, operationalization and sustainability of Trade Facilitation Portal;
- Training for HR;
- Software and ICT infrastructure to maintain TFP and align with international best practices;
- Awareness raising for the private sector on the use of the portal.

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Infrastructure and equipment, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising*

1.3.1  
1.3.2  
1.3.3  
1.3.4**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2021

**Definitive date of implementation**

To be determined

**Assistance required for implementation**

- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.;
- Staff capacity building on operating and maintaining enquiry points;
- Technical assistance, capacity building training for HR and for establishment of and maintenance of enquiry points;
- Support on building institutional mechanism for the functioning of the EP; mandate, procedures, fees; position for the services of the EP within the designated government entity;
- ICT infrastructure and technology for maintaining enquiry points and creating database of requests and information provided, etc.;
- Awareness raising for the private sector on communication with enquiry points.

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising*

2.1.1  
2.1.2  
2.1.3

**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2019

**Definitive date of implementation**

To be determined

**Assistance required for implementation**

- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.;
- Staff capacity building on developing procedures; managing notification and public comment on proposed laws and regulations;
- Technical assistance and capacity building and training for HR on managing notification and public comment on proposed laws and regulations;
- Institutional support for establishment of efficient standing body, engaging traders' associations, creation of a single mechanism for providing and receiving comments and effective publishing of information, etc.;
- Awareness raising for the private sector on a new instrument and modalities for comments.

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising*

2.2

**Indicative date of implementation**  
31 December 2022**Definitive date of implementation**  
To be determined**Assistance required for implementation**

- Technical assistance and capacity building and HR training for developing public consultation strategy, procedures and on carrying out consultations;
- Legal support, including design, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.;
- Awareness raising for the private sector on consultation mechanism.

**Tags:** *Legislative and regulatory framework, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising*



3.1	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b>	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b>
3.2 (a), (b)	31 December 2019	To be determined
3.3		
3.4		
3.5		
3.6 (a), (b), (c)	<b>Assistance required for implementation</b>	
3.7		
3.8		
3.9 (a) (i), (ii), (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (c), (d)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Technical assistance and capacity building for advance rulings implementation;</li> <li>• Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.;</li> <li>• Equipment/technology for upgrading the laboratories;</li> <li>• Awareness raising for the private sector on advance rulings mechanism.</li> </ul> <p><b>Tags:</b> <i>Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising</i></p>	

5.1 (a), (b), (c), (d)

**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2023

**Definitive date of implementation**

To be determined

**Assistance required for implementation**

- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.;
- Technical assistance on the design and establishment of a notification system for enhanced controls or inspections;
- Capacity building and HR training on implementing a notification system for enhanced controls or inspections;
- ICT Infrastructure for establishing an automated notification system.

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment, Human resources and training*

5.3.1  
5.3.2  
5.3.3

**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2022

**Definitive date of implementation**

To be determined

**Assistance required for implementation**

- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.;
- Testing kits and other relevant laboratory equipment/materials;
- Technical support to develop testing parameters and accreditation for veterinary laboratories;
- ICT infrastructure, soft infrastructure (networking, automation, high-speed internet).

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment, Human resources and training*

7.1.1  
7.1.2**Indicative date of implementation**  
31 December 2024**Definitive date of implementation**  
To be determined**Assistance required for implementation**

- Technical assistance, capacity building and Hr training on pre –arrival processing, including required changes in the clearance procedure, changes in ASYCUDA and in risk management;
- Awareness raising for the private sector on pre-arrival processing mechanism;
- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising*



7.2	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b> 31 December 2024	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b> To be determined
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<b>Assistance required for implementation</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Technical assistance on the design and establishment of an electronic payment system;</li><li>• ICT Infrastructure and equipment for enabling the system.</li></ul>		
<b>Tags:</b> <i>Information and communication technologies (ICT), Infrastructure and equipment</i>		
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Shift from Cat. B to Cat. C notification.		

7.4.1	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b>	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b>
7.4.2	31 December 2024	To be determined
7.4.3		
7.4.4		
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<b>Assistance required for implementation</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.;</li><li>• Technical assistance on the design and establishment of a risk management system;</li><li>• ICT Infrastructure and equipment for an automated risk management system;</li><li>• Capacity building and HR training on implementing the risk management system.</li></ul>		
<b>Tags:</b> <i>Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment, Human resources and training</i>		
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Shift from Cat. B to Cat. C notification.		

7.5.1  
7.5.2  
7.5.3  
7.5.4

Indicative date of implementation	Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2024	To be determined

Assistance required for implementation

- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.;
- Technical assistance for mainstreaming of Post Clearance Audit into daily operations;
- Capacity building and HR training.

Tags: *Legislative and regulatory framework, Human resources and training*

Shift from Cat. B to Cat. C notification.

7.6.1  
7.6.2

Indicative date of implementation	Definitive date of implementation
31 December 2024	To be determined

Assistance required for implementation

- Technical assistance and capacity building and HR training on designing, planning and implementing TRS, including on building methodology, testing it and making it sustainable.

**Tags:** *Legislative and regulatory framework, Human resources and training*

7.7.1	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b>	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b>
7.7.2 (a) (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (i), (ii)	31 December 2024	To be determined
7.7.3 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g)		
7.7.4		
7.7.5		
7.7.6	<b>Assistance required for implementation</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.;</li><li>• Technical assistance and capacity building, HR training on design, implementation and review of authorized trader scheme, audit abilities</li><li>• Awareness raising for the private sector on application of the scheme</li></ul>	
	<b>Tags:</b> <i>Legislative and regulatory framework, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising</i>	

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7.8.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h)	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b>	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b>
7.8.2 (a), (b), (c), (d)	31 December 2022	To be determined
7.8.3		

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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.;
- Equipment and facilities for express cargo inspection.

**Tags:** *Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment*



8.1  
8.2 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)

**Indicative date of implementation**  
31 December 2027

**Definitive date of implementation**  
To be determined

#### **Assistance required for implementation**

- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, agreements, SoP, etc.;
- Technical assistance for putting in place technical arrangements for sharing of data and information, developing a strategy/framework for border agency cooperation;
- Capacity building and HR training on border agency cooperation and share of best practices;
- Equipment and facilities for border crossing points.

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment, Institutional procedures, Human resources and training*

10.2.1  
10.2.2  
10.2.3

**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2022

**Definitive date of implementation**

To be determined

**Assistance required for implementation**

- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, agreements, SoP, etc.;
- Technical assistance on developing a system for periodic review of formalities and documentation requirements;
- ICT infrastructure, technology and equipment for border agencies and government agencies;
- Capacity building of HR on the benefits of electronic documentation and processes and treatment of copies;
- Awareness raising for the private sector.

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising*

10.3.1  
10.3.2

**Indicative date of implementation**  
31 December 2027

**Definitive date of implementation**  
To be determined

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**Assistance required for implementation**

- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, agreements, SoP, etc.;
- Technical assistance, capacity building, HR training on the relevant international standards, testing procedures and international best practices.

**Tags:** *Legislative and regulatory framework, Human resources and training*

10.4.1  
10.4.2  
10.4.3  
10.4.4

**Indicative date of implementation**

31 December 2027

**Definitive date of implementation**

To be determined

**Assistance required for implementation**



- Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, agreements, SoP, etc.;
- Technical assistance in developing a comprehensive and operational SW system
- ICT Infrastructure and equipment for automation at each agency;
- ICT infrastructure and equipment for SW;
- Capacity building and training of HR on the use and implementation of SW;
- Awareness raising and capacity building for the private sector on the effective use of SW.

**Tags:** *Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Infrastructure and equipment, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising*

11.5	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b> 31 December 2027	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b> To be determined
<hr/> <b>Assistance required for implementation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Physical infrastructure</li> </ul> <b>Tags:</b> <i>Infrastructure and equipment</i>		
11.9	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b> 31 December 2027	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b> To be determined
<hr/> <b>Assistance required for implementation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Technical assistance, capacity building and Hr training on pre –arrival processing, including required changes in the clearance procedure, changes in ASYCUDA and in risk management;</li> <li>• Awareness raising for the private sector on pre-arrival processing mechanism;</li> <li>• Legal support on designing, drafting of legislative changes and necessary regulations, SoP, etc.</li> </ul> <b>Tags:</b> <i>Information and communication technologies (ICT), Legislative and regulatory framework, Human resources and training, Awareness-raising</i>		

12.2.1	<b>Indicative date of implementation</b>	<b>Definitive date of implementation</b>
12.2.2	31 December 2027	To be determined
12.3		
12.4.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f)		
12.4.2		
12.5.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f)	<b>Assistance required for implementation</b>	
12.5.2		
12.5.3		
12.6.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)	• Legal support on drafting agreements;	
12.6.2	• Technical assistance and capacity building on best practices in customs cooperation and drafting the agreements.	
12.7.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e)		
12.7.2	<b>Tags:</b> <i>Legislative and regulatory framework, Human resources and training</i>	
12.8		
12.9.1		
12.9.2		
12.10 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h)		
12.11.1 (a), (b), (c)		
12.11.2		
12.12.1		
12.12.2		

**Legend**

<b>C</b>	Notified in Cat. C	<b>Cp</b>	Partially notified in C	<b>E</b>	Extension of time requested
	Donor arrangement notified		Donor arrangement not yet notified		

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