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**NOTIFICATION BASED ON ARTICLES 1:4, 10:4:3, 10:6:2 AND 12:2:2  
OF THE AGREEMENT ON TRADE FACILITATION**

COMMUNICATION FROM AUSTRALIA

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The following communication, dated 17 May 2019, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Australia.

Australia hereby makes the following notification in accordance with Article 1.4, 10.4.3, 10.6.2 and 12.2.2 of the Agreement on Trade Facilitation.

**Notified under Article 1, Paragraph 4 (a)**

The Federal Register of Legislation <https://www.legislation.gov.au> is the official place where the items in subparagraphs 1.1 (a) to (j) have been published.

Subparagraphs 1.1(a) and (g)

Customs Act 1901	<a href="https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2017C00411">https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2017C00411</a>	Provides the legal framework guiding the importation, exportation and transit of goods
Customs Regulation 2015	<a href="https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2017C00557">https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2017C00557</a>	Provides the regulatory framework for the importation, exportation and transit of goods

Subparagraphs 1.1(a) and (i)

Biosecurity Act 2015	<a href="https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2017C00303">https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2017C00303</a>	Imposes biosecurity requirements on goods imported into Australia
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Subparagraph 1.1(a)

Imported Food Control Act 1992	<a href="https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2016C01051">https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2016C01051</a>	Provides for the compliance of food imported into Australia with Australian food standards and the requirement of public health and safety
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Subparagraphs 1.1(a), (c), (i) and (j)

Export Control Act 1982	<a href="https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2016C01063">https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2016C01063</a>	Imposes requirements on goods exported from Australia
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Subparagraphs 1.1(a), (c), (e), (f) and (g)

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999	<a href="https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2016C00777">https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2016C00777</a> <a href="https://www.speciesplus.net">https://www.speciesplus.net</a>	Regulates trade in Australian native species and species listed on the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)
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Subparagraph 1.1(b)

Export Charges (Imposition—Customs) Act 2015	<a href="https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2015A00093">https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2015A00093</a>	Imposes, as taxes, charges relating to the export of goods, so far as those charges are duties of customs
Export Charges (Imposition—Excise) Act 2015	<a href="https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2015A00094">https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2015A00094</a>	Imposes, as taxes, charges relating to the export of goods, so far as those charges are duties of excise
Export Charges (Imposition—General) Act 2015	<a href="https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2015A00095">https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2015A00095</a>	Imposes, as taxes, charges relating to the export of goods, so far as those charges are neither duties of customs nor duties of excise

Subparagraphs 1.1(b) and (e)

Customs Tariff Act 1995	<a href="https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2017C00410">https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2017C00410</a>	Imposes Customs duty on goods imported into Australia
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Subparagraph 1.1(c)

Customs Licensing Charges Act 1997	<a href="https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2016C00700">https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2016C00700</a>	Imposes charges in relation to the licensing of depots, warehouses and customs brokers
Import Processing Charges Act 2001	<a href="https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2016C00813">https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2016C00813</a>	Imposes import processing charges in respect of certain goods imported into Australia
Export Charges (Collection) Act 2015	<a href="https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2016C00116">https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2016C00116</a>	Provides for the collection of export charges

Subparagraph 1.1(f)

Customs (Prohibited Imports) Regulations 1956	<a href="https://www.legislation.gov.au/Series/F1996B03651">https://www.legislation.gov.au/Series/F1996B03651</a>	Prohibits the importation of specific goods, unless permission is granted from relevant government agencies
Customs (Prohibited Exports) Regulations 1958	<a href="https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2017C00597">https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2017C00597</a>	Prohibits the exportation of specific goods, unless permission is granted from relevant government agencies

Subparagraph 1.1(h)

Administrative Appeals Tribunal Act 1975	<a href="https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2017C00107">https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2017C00107</a>	Provides for independent review of administrative decisions made under Commonwealth laws
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Subparagraph 1.1(i)

Trans-Tasman Mutual Recognition Act 1997	<a href="https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2015C00470">https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/C2015C00470</a>	Provides for the recognition within Australia regulatory standards adopted in New Zealand regarding goods and occupations
Australian Customs Notices	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/help-and-support/notices/australian-customs-notices">https://www.abf.gov.au/help-and-support/notices/australian-customs-notices</a>	Provide up to date information on a range of customs issues

**Article 1, Paragraph 4 (b)**Subparagraph 1.1 (a)

Procedures for importation, exportation, and transit (including port, airport, and other entry-point procedures), and required forms and documents.

Provides links to information related to procedures importation, exportation and transit	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/">https://www.abf.gov.au/</a>
Information for exporters, export procedures, and forms	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/exporting/how-to-export">https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/exporting/how-to-export</a>
Procedures and forms for export of agricultural, forestry and fisheries products	<a href="http://www.agriculture.gov.au/export">http://www.agriculture.gov.au/export</a>
Import procedures and forms	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/importing/how-to-import/">https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/importing/how-to-import/</a>
<i>Biosecurity Import Conditions System (BICON)</i> includes requirements to import food and agricultural products into Australia, including requirements under various protocols with other countries	<a href="https://bicon.agriculture.gov.au/BiconWeb4.0">https://bicon.agriculture.gov.au/BiconWeb4.0</a>

Manual of Importing Country Requirements (MiCOR) Includes an interpretation of the requirements to export products from Australia and comply with obligations under protocols with other countries	<a href="https://micor.agriculture.gov.au/Pages/default.aspx">https://micor.agriculture.gov.au/Pages/default.aspx</a>
Procedures and forms for import of agricultural, forestry and fisheries products	<a href="http://www.agriculture.gov.au/import">http://www.agriculture.gov.au/import</a>
Transit procedures	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/help-and-support-subsite/files/instructions-guidelines-reporting-transshipment-cargo.pdf">https://www.abf.gov.au/help-and-support-subsite/files/instructions-guidelines-reporting-transshipment-cargo.pdf</a>  <a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/help-and-support-subsite/files/ps-clearance-cargo-imports.pdf">https://www.abf.gov.au/help-and-support-subsite/files/ps-clearance-cargo-imports.pdf</a>
Requirements for import, export and manufacture of ozone depleting substances and synthetic greenhouse gases	<a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/protection/ozone/licences">http://www.environment.gov.au/protection/ozone/licences</a>
Requirements for import, export and transit of hazardous waste	<a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/protection/hazardous-waste/applying-permit">http://www.environment.gov.au/protection/hazardous-waste/applying-permit</a>
Requirements for export of Australian native wildlife and import of <a href="#">species listed on the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)</a>	<a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/biodiversity/wildlife-trade">http://www.environment.gov.au/biodiversity/wildlife-trade</a>  <a href="https://www.speciesplus.net">https://www.speciesplus.net</a>

Subparagraph 1.1 (b)

Applied rates of duties and taxes of any kind imposed on or in connection with importation or exportation

Applied rates of duties	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/tariff-classification/current-tariff">https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/tariff-classification/current-tariff</a>
Information on classification, duties and taxes	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/tariff-classification">https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/tariff-classification</a>  <a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/importing/cost-of-importing-goods/">https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/importing/cost-of-importing-goods/</a>
Legislation covering import and manufacture levies for ozone depleting substances and synthetic greenhouse gases	<a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/protection/ozone/legislation">http://www.environment.gov.au/protection/ozone/legislation</a>

Subparagraph 1.1 (c)

Fees and charges imposed by or for governmental agencies on or in connection with importation, exportation or transit

Import processing charges	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/help-and-support-subsite/CustomsNotices/2015-44.pdf">https://www.abf.gov.au/help-and-support-subsite/CustomsNotices/2015-44.pdf</a>
Licensing of depots, warehouses and customs brokers	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/help-and-support-subsite/CustomsNotices/2015-37.pdf">https://www.abf.gov.au/help-and-support-subsite/CustomsNotices/2015-37.pdf</a>

Fees and charges related to provision of import and export services for agricultural, fishery and forestry products. These include regulatory services, inspection, biosecurity and export certification of goods and premises	<a href="http://www.agriculture.gov.au/fees">http://www.agriculture.gov.au/fees</a>
Legislation covering import and manufacture levies for ozone depleting substances and synthetic greenhouse gases	<a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/protection/ozone/legislation">http://www.environment.gov.au/protection/ozone/legislation</a>
Licence requirements for import, export and manufacture of ozone depleting substances and synthetic greenhouse gases including licence application fees	<a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/protection/ozone/licences">http://www.environment.gov.au/protection/ozone/licences</a>
Fees for applications to export, import or transit hazardous waste	<a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/protection/hazardous-waste/applying-permit">http://www.environment.gov.au/protection/hazardous-waste/applying-permit</a>
Permit fees for exports of Australian native wildlife and imports of <a href="#">species listed on the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)</a>	<a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/biodiversity/wildlife-trade/permits/fees">http://www.environment.gov.au/biodiversity/wildlife-trade/permits/fees</a> <a href="https://www.speciesplus.net">https://www.speciesplus.net</a>

Subparagraph 1.1 (d)

Rules for the classification or valuation of products for customs purposes

Interpretive rules for the valuation of products for customs purposes	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/importing/how-to-import/requirements#content-index-2">https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/importing/how-to-import/requirements#content-index-2</a>
Interpretive rules for classifying goods	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/tariff-classification/current-tariff/schedule-2">https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/tariff-classification/current-tariff/schedule-2</a>

Subparagraph 1.1 (e)

Laws, regulations, and administrative rulings of general application relating to rules of origin

General information on rules of origin	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/importing/how-to-import/requirements#content-index-3">https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/importing/how-to-import/requirements#content-index-3</a>
Preferential and non-preferential origin policy	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/free-trade-agreements/files/practice-statement-rules-of-origin.pdf">https://www.abf.gov.au/free-trade-agreements/files/practice-statement-rules-of-origin.pdf</a>
Preferential rules of origin	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/free-trade-agreements">https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/free-trade-agreements</a>
Labelling requirements for certain goods, including country of production, before importation into Australia	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/importing/how-to-import/requirements/labelling">https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/importing/how-to-import/requirements/labelling</a>
Requirements for information on country of origin for import of <a href="#">species listed on the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)</a>	<a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/biodiversity/wildlife-trade/live/import-list">http://www.environment.gov.au/biodiversity/wildlife-trade/live/import-list</a> <a href="https://www.speciesplus.net">https://www.speciesplus.net</a>

Subparagraph 1.1 (f)

Import, export or transit restrictions or prohibitions

Information about which goods are controlled on import or export and how to obtain permission to import or export	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/prohibited-goods">https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/prohibited-goods</a>
Information on the restrictions on import or export of ozone depleting substances and synthetic greenhouse gases	<a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/protection/ozone/licences">http://www.environment.gov.au/protection/ozone/licences</a>
Information on requirements for live plant and animal specimens considered to be suitable for import into Australia	<a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/biodiversity/wildlife-trade/live/import-list">http://www.environment.gov.au/biodiversity/wildlife-trade/live/import-list</a>
<i>Biosecurity Import Conditions System (BICON)</i> includes requirements to import food and agricultural products into Australia, including requirements under various protocols with other countries	<a href="https://bicon.agriculture.gov.au/BiconWeb4.0">https://bicon.agriculture.gov.au/BiconWeb4.0</a>

Subparagraph 1.1 (g)

Penalty provisions for breaches of import, export, or transit formalities

Information on offences and penalties related to the control of imports and exports	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/trade-and-goods-compliance-subsite/files/understanding-customs-act-infringement-notice-scheme.pdf">https://www.abf.gov.au/trade-and-goods-compliance-subsite/files/understanding-customs-act-infringement-notice-scheme.pdf</a> <a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/trade-and-goods-compliance-subsite/files/understanding-offences-supply-chain.pdf">https://www.abf.gov.au/trade-and-goods-compliance-subsite/files/understanding-offences-supply-chain.pdf</a>
Information on Australia's approach to trade and goods compliance.	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/trade-and-goods-compliance">https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/trade-and-goods-compliance</a>
Penalty provisions for ozone depleting substances and synthetic greenhouses	<a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/protection/ozone/legislation">http://www.environment.gov.au/protection/ozone/legislation</a>
Penalties relating to international trade in Australian native species, and species listed on the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES)	<a href="http://www.environment.gov.au/biodiversity/wildlife-trade/law">http://www.environment.gov.au/biodiversity/wildlife-trade/law</a> <a href="https://www.speciesplus.net">https://www.speciesplus.net</a>

Subparagraph 1.1 (h)

Procedures for appeal or review

Procedures for the review of valuation advice	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/help-and-support-subsite/CustomsNotices/1997-36.pdf">https://www.abf.gov.au/help-and-support-subsite/CustomsNotices/1997-36.pdf</a>
Procedures for the internal review of tariff advice	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/help-and-support-subsite/CustomsNotices/2002-23.pdf">https://www.abf.gov.au/help-and-support-subsite/CustomsNotices/2002-23.pdf</a>
Information on how to apply to the Administrative Appeals Tribunal for a review of an administrative decision made under Commonwealth law	<a href="https://www.aat.gov.au/apply-for-a-review">https://www.aat.gov.au/apply-for-a-review</a>
Information on judicial review	<a href="http://www.fedcourt.gov.au/about/jurisdiction">http://www.fedcourt.gov.au/about/jurisdiction</a>

Subparagraph 1.1 (i)

Agreements or parts thereof with any country or countries relating to importation, exportation, or transit

Information on trade agreements including information on how to claim preferential tariff treatment through Australia's free trade agreements	<a href="http://dfat.gov.au/trade/agreements/Pages/trade-agreements.aspx">http://dfat.gov.au/trade/agreements/Pages/trade-agreements.aspx</a> <a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/free-trade-agreements">https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/free-trade-agreements</a>
Information on mutual recognition arrangements on conformity assessment	<a href="https://www.industry.gov.au/regulation-and-standards/reducing-technical-barriers-to-trade">https://www.industry.gov.au/regulation-and-standards/reducing-technical-barriers-to-trade</a>
Information on Authorised Economic Operator Program Mutual Recognition Arrangements	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/about-us/what-we-do/trustedtrader/benefits/mutual-recognition-arrangements">https://www.abf.gov.au/about-us/what-we-do/trustedtrader/benefits/mutual-recognition-arrangements</a>

Subparagraph 1.1 (j)

Procedures relating to the administration of tariff quotas

Australian Customs Notices and updates including the administration of Australia's tariff quota on cheese and curd (for 2019)	<a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/help-and-support/notices">https://www.abf.gov.au/help-and-support/notices</a> <a href="https://www.abf.gov.au/help-and-support-subsite/CustomsNotices/2019-16.pdf">https://www.abf.gov.au/help-and-support-subsite/CustomsNotices/2019-16.pdf</a>
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**Article 1, Paragraph 4 (c):**

The contact information of the enquiry points referred to in paragraph 3.1.

1. Australian Border Force
  - Contact points <https://www.abf.gov.au/help-and-support/contact-us>
  - Cargo Support: [cargosupport@abf.gov.au](mailto:cargosupport@abf.gov.au)
2. Department of Agriculture and Water Resources
  - Contact points: <http://www.agriculture.gov.au/about/contactus/>
  - Sanitary and Phytosanitary contact point: [Sps.contact@agriculture.gov.au](mailto:Sps.contact@agriculture.gov.au)
3. Department of the Environment and Energy
  - Contact points <http://www.environment.gov.au/about-us/contact-us>
  - Wildlife Trade Regulation Section: [wildlifetrade@environment.gov.au](mailto:wildlifetrade@environment.gov.au)
  - Hazardous Waste Section: [hazardous.waste@environment.gov.au](mailto:hazardous.waste@environment.gov.au)
  - Ozone and synthetic greenhouse gases: [Ozone@environment.gov.au](mailto:Ozone@environment.gov.au)

**Article 10, Paragraph 4.3**

A description of Australia's single window can be found at: [https://www.abf.gov.au/help-and-support/ics/integrated-cargo-system-\(ics\)](https://www.abf.gov.au/help-and-support/ics/integrated-cargo-system-(ics))

**Article 10, Paragraph 6.2**

Measures on the use of customs brokers are published in Part XI of the *Customs Act 1901*. Additional information is available at: <https://www.abf.gov.au/licensing/brokers>

**Article 12, Paragraph 2.2**

The contact point for the exchange of information is: [tradeagreements@homeaffairs.gov.au](mailto:tradeagreements@homeaffairs.gov.au)