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

COMMUNICATION FROM THE KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN

Addendum

The following communication, dated 25 February 2020, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the Kingdom of Bahrain for Members' information.

Following up on the notification dated 2 March 2018 (G/TFA/N/BHR/1), the Kingdom of Bahrain wishes to notify that, based on Articles 17 of the Agreement on Trade Facilitation, that the following provision requires an extended definitive implementation date.

Provision	Heading/Description	Category	Previously notified definitive date for implementation	New definitive date for implementation requested
Article 2.2	Consultations	C	28 February 2020	28 August 2021

Following an internal assessment and consultation with the implementing agencies, it was recognized that additional time would be required to secure the necessary technical assistance that is required to fully implement this provision, as detailed in G/TFA/N/BHR/1.

For ease of reference, the Kingdom of Bahrain's full list of category commitments can be found in the table attached herewith.

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	A	-	-	-
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	C	28 February 2019	28 August 2021	Technical assistance and support for changing/adapting legal framework in order to introduce and define procedures for consultations.
Article 3 Advance Rulings					
		C	28 February 2020	28 February 2022	Assistance and support for trainings and capacity building for the preparation of advance ruling in accordance with the TFA rules.
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	B	28 February 2020	28 February 2021	-
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	B	28 February 2019	28 February 2019	-
Article 6.2	Specific Disciplines on Fees and Charges for Customs Processing Imposed on or in Connection with Importation and Exportation	A	-	-	-
Article 6.3	Penalty Disciplines	A	-	-	-
Article 7 Release and Clearance of Goods					
Article 7.1	Pre-arrival Processing	B	28 February 2019	28 February 2019	-
Article 7.2	Electronic Payment	B	28 February 2019	28 February 2019	-

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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	B	30 August 2020	28 February 2021	-
Article 7.5	Post-clearance Audit	B	28 February 2019	28 February 2019	-
Article 7.6	Establishment and Publication of Average Release Times	A	-	-	-
Article 7.7	Trade Facilitation Measures for Authorized Operators	B	30 August 2019	28 February 2020	-
Article 7.8	Expedited Shipments	A	-	-	-
Article 7.9	Perishable Goods	A	-	-	-
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	B	28 February 2020	28 February 2020	-
Article 10.3	Use of International Standards	A	-	-	-
Article 10.4	Single Window	B	31 December 2021	28 February 2023	-
Article 10.5	Pre-shipment Inspection	A	-	-	-
Article 10.6	Use of Customs Brokers	B	28 February 2019	28 February 2019	-
Article 10.7	Common Border Procedures and Uniform Documentation Requirements	B	28 February 2019	28 February 2019	-
Article 10.8	Rejected Goods	A	-	-	-
Article 10.9	Temporary Admission of Goods and Inward and Outward Processing	A	-	-	-
Article 11 Freedom of Transit		B	28 February 2019	February 2019	-
Article 12 Customs Cooperation					
Article 12.1	Measures Promoting Compliance and Cooperation	A	-	-	-
Article 12.2	Exchange of Information	A	-	-	-
Article 12.3	Verification	A	-	-	-
Article 12.4	Request	A	-	-	-
Article 12.5	Protection and Confidentiality	A	-	-	-
Article 12.6	Provision of Information	A	-	-	-
Article 12.7	Postponement or Refusal of a Request	A	-	-	-

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Article 12.8	Reciprocity	A	-	-	-
Article 12.9	Administrative Burden	A	-	-	-
Article 12.10	Limitations	A	-	-	-
Article 12.11	Unauthorized Use or Disclosure	A	-	-	-
Article 12.12	Bilateral and Regional Agreements	A	-	-	-