

Negotiating Group on Market Access

**GUIDE TO DOCUMENTATION CONTAINING TEXTUAL PROPOSALS ON NTBS,
AND RELATED WRITTEN QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

Note by the Secretariat¹

1. This document has been prepared at the request of the Negotiating Group on Market Access (NGMA) with a view to assisting Members in following the NTB discussions. It has taken account of the latest textual proposals which have been submitted up to 30 October 2009 as well as written questions posed to the sponsors and the responses.
2. The annex follows the order of the proposals as laid out in Annex 5 of the Fourth Revision of Draft Modalities for Non-Agricultural Market Access² with the addition of the new ones at the end. This document is not meant to be an exhaustive list of submissions on the NTB area, for which Members are invited to refer to the list in the TN/MA/S/16 series.

¹ This document has been prepared under the Secretariat's own responsibility and without prejudice to the positions of Members and to their rights and obligations under the WTO.

² TN/MA/W/103/Rev.3

ANNEX

1. Ministerial Decision on Procedures for the Facilitation of Solutions to Non-Tariff Barriers

1. Sponsor(s):	African Group, Canada, European Communities, LDC Group, NAMA-11, New Zealand, Norway, Pakistan and Switzerland		
2. Textual proposal(s)	TN/MA/W/106 (In Annex 5 of TN/MA/W/103/Rev.3)		
3. Written questions raised by:		4. Written answers provided by:	
<i>United States</i> ¹	JOB(09)/20 (13.03.2009)	} Co- sponsors	TN/MA/W/110 + Corr.1 (16.04.2009)
<i>Korea</i>	JOB(09)/26 (18.03.2009)		
<i>Singapore</i>	JOB(09)/22 (13.03.2009)		
<i>Japan</i>	JOB(09)/27 (18.03.2009)		
<i>Chile</i>	JOB(09)/38 (24.04.2009)		
<i>United States</i>	TN/MA/W/111 (19.05.2009)	} Co- sponsors	TN/MA/W/110/Rev.1 (29.10.2009)
<i>Japan</i>	JOB(09)/46 (20.05.2009)		
<i>China</i>	JOB(09)/60 (23.06.2009)		
<i>United States</i>	JOB(09)/90 (18.08.2009)		
<i>Japan</i>	JOB(09)/92 (19.08.2009)		
<i>Malaysia</i>	JOB(09)/93 (25.08.2009)		

2. Negotiating Proposal on Non-Tariff Barriers in the Chemical Products and Substances Sector

1. Sponsor(s):	Argentina		
2. Textual proposal(s)	TN/MA/W/104 (In Annex 5 of TN/MA/W/103/Rev.3)		
3. Written questions raised by:		4. Written answers provided by:	
<i>Singapore</i>	JOB(09)/22 (13.03.2009)	Nil	

3. Understanding on the Interpretation of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade as Applied to Trade in Fireworks

1. Sponsor(s):	China		
2. Textual proposal(s)	TN/MA/W/102 (In Annex 5 of TN/MA/W/103/Rev.3) + Add.1		
3. Written questions raised by:		4. Written answers provided by:	
<i>Malaysia</i>	JOB(09)/93 (25.08.2009)	Nil	

¹ The US circulated its "Committee-First for the Horizontal Mechanism" proposal (JOB(08)/45), on which Chile raised a question in document JOB(09)/38.

4. Understanding on the Interpretation of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade as Applied to Trade in Lighter Products

1. Sponsor(s):	China	
2. Textual proposal(s)	TN/MA/W/90/Add.1 (In Annex 5 of TN/MA/W/103/Rev.3)	
3. Written questions raised by:	4. Written answers provided by:	
Nil	Nil	

5. Decision on the Elimination of Non-Tariff Barriers Imposed as Unilateral Trade Measures

1. Sponsor(s):	Cuba	
2. Textual proposal(s)	TN/MA/W/94/Rev.1 (In Annex 5 of TN/MA/W/103/Rev.3) TN/MA/W/94/Rev.2(18.03.2009)	
3. Written questions raised by:	4. Written answers provided by:	
Nil	Nil	

6. Understanding on the Interpretation of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade as Applied to Trade in Electronics

1. Sponsor(s):	European Communities and Switzerland		
2. Textual proposal(s)	JOB(07)/42/Rev.1 +Add.1 (In Annex 5 TN/MA/W/103/Rev.3) TN/MA/W/119 (09.09.2009)		
3. Written questions raised by:	4. Written answers provided by:		
Thailand	JOB(08)/112 (04.11.2008)	} Co-sponsors	JOB(09)/35 + Corr.1 (16.04.2009)
Singapore	JOB(09)/22 (13.03.2009)		
United States	JOB(09)/20 (13.03.2009)		
Japan	JOB(09)/27 (18.03.2009)		
Canada	JOB(09)/31+Corr.1(20.03.2009)		
Korea	JOB(09)/26 (18.03.2009)		
Japan	JOB(09)/46 (20.05.2009)		
China	JOB(09)/60 (23.06.2009)		
United States	JOB(09)/91 (18.08.2009)		
Japan	JOB(09)/92 (19.08.2009)		

7. Revised submission on Export Taxes

1. Sponsor(s):	European Communities		
2. Textual proposal(s)	TN/MA/W/101 (In Annex 5 TN/MA/W/103/Rev.3)		
3. Written questions raised by:		4. Written answers provided by:	
Nil		Nil	

8. Understanding on the Interpretation of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade with respect to the Labelling of Textiles, Clothing, Footwear, and Travel Goods

1. Sponsor(s):	European Communities, Mauritius, Sri Lanka and the United States.		
2. Textual proposal(s)	TN/MA/W/93 + Add.1 + Add.2 (In Annex 5 TN/MA/W/103/Rev.3) TN/MA/W/93/Rev.1 (15.09.2009)		
3. Written questions raised by:		4. Written answers provided by:	
Korea	JOB(09)/26 (18.03.2009)	Co-sponsors	TN/MA/W/113 (22.05.2009)
Singapore	JOB(09)/22 (13.03.2009)	Co-sponsors	TN/MA/W/116 (27.05.2009)
China	JOB(09)/60 (23.06.2009)		
Switzerland	JOB(09)/68 (10.07.2009)		
New Zealand	JOB(09)/89 (18.08.2009)		

9. Protocol on Transparency in Export Licensing to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994

1. Sponsor(s):	Japan, Korea, Chinese Taipei and the United States		
2. Textual proposal(s)	TN/MA/W/15/Add.4/Rev.2 (In Annex 5 TN/MA/W/103/Rev.3) TN/MA/W/15/Add.4/Rev.3 + Corr.1 (19.03.2009) TN/MA/W/15/Add.4/Rev.4 (09.09.2009)		
3. Written questions raised by:		4. Written answers provided by:	
Singapore	JOB(09)/22 (13.03.2009)	Co-sponsors	JOB(09)/41 (07.05.2009)
Malaysia	JOB(09)/93 (25.08.2009)	Co-sponsors	JOB(09)/127 (02.10.2009)

10. Decision on Non-Tariff Barriers Affecting Forestry Products Used in Building Construction

1. Sponsor(s):	New Zealand	
2. Textual proposal(s)	JOB(07)/158 (In Annex 5 TN/MA/W/103/Rev.3)	
3. Written questions raised by:		4. Written answers provided by:
Thailand	JOB(09)/42 +Rev.1 (07.05.2009)	New Zealand
Malaysia	JOB(09)/93 (25.08.2009)	JOB(09)/44 (15.05.2009)

11. Agreement on Non-Tariff Barriers Pertaining to the Electrical Safety and Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) of Electronic Goods

1. Sponsor(s):	United States	
2. Textual proposal(s)	TN/MA/W/105/Rev.1 (In Annex 5 TN/MA/W/103/Rev.3) TN/MA/W/105/Rev.2 (15.09.2009)	
3. Written questions raised by:		4. Written answers provided by:
Thailand	JOB(08)/113 (04.11.2008)	United States
Canada	JOB(09)/31+Corr.1 (30.03.2009)	United States
Singapore	JOB(09)/22 (13.03.2009)	United States
Korea	JOB(09)/26 (18.03.2009)	TN/MA/W/115 (22.05.2009)
China	JOB(09)/60 (23.06.2009)	United States
Japan	JOB(09)/92 (19.08.2009)	JOB(09)/156 (30.10.2009)

12. Ministerial Decision on Trade in Remanufactured Goods

1. Sponsor(s):	Japan, Switzerland and the United States	
2. Textual proposal(s)	TN/MA/W/18/Add.16/Rev.2 (In Annex 5 TN/MA/W/103/Rev.3) TN/MA/W/18/Add.16/Rev.3 (09.09.2009)	
3. Written questions raised by:		4. Written answers provided by:
Singapore	JOB(09)/22 (13.03.2009)	Co-sponsors
Korea	JOB(09)/26 (18.03.2009)	Co-sponsors
China	JOB(09)/60 (23.06.2009)	TN/MA/W/117 (27.05.2009)
Malaysia	JOB(09)/93 (25.08.2009)	TN/MA/W/112 (19.05.2009)
		Co-sponsors
		JOB(09)/155 (30.10.2009)

13. Agreement on Non-Tariff Barriers Pertaining to Standards, Technical Regulations, and Conformity Assessment Procedures for Automotive Products

1. Sponsor(s):	United States	
2. Textual proposal(s)	JOB(08)/46 (In Annex 5 of TN/MA/W/103/Rev.3) TN/MA/W/120 (15.09.2009)	
3. Written questions raised by:	4. Written answers provided by:	
Singapore	JOB(09)/22 (13.03.2009)	United States JOB(09)/157 (30.10.2009)
Canada	JOB(09)/31+Corr.1(30.03.2009)	
Japan	JOB(09)/92 (19.08.2009)	

14. Agreement on Non-Tariff Barriers Pertaining to Standards, Technical Regulations, and Conformity Assessment Procedures for Automotive Products

1. Sponsor(s):	European Communities	
2. Textual proposal(s)	TN/MA/W/11/Add.9 (13.08.2009) TN/MA/W/118 + Corr.1 (09.09.2009)	
3. Written questions raised by:	4. Written answers provided by:	
Nil	Nil	

15. Framework for Industry-specific NTB Proposals

1. Sponsor(s):	European Communities and India	
2. Textual proposal(s)	JOB(09)/105 (24.09.2009)	
3. Written questions raised by:	4. Written answers provided by:	
Nil	Nil	