

NON-TARIFF BARRIER NOTIFICATIONS

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	Enzymatic preparations for pre-tanning (HS 3202.90)	Additional requirements to the veterinary certificate: besides the presentation of the veterinary certificate, the importing country impedes the entry of chemical products of animal origin unless there are guarantees that their respective processes of fabrication were able to eliminate any contamination of the raw material.	Trade restrictive effect	Part IV B	SPS Agreement	NGMA
	Grass and pruning shears (HS Chapter 82)	Preshipment inspection during the loading of containers.	Unstablenss and unpredictability of trade	Part II I	Agreement on Preshipment Inspection	NGTF
	Panels of industrialized wood (HS Chapter 68)	Quotas; requirement of certificates and visa documents with high costs and delays; restrictions of weight and volume; limitation of free storage in destination ports, mainly in countries where the ships arrive before the banking documents; embarkment prohibition in ships older than 25 years; certificates of Lloyd's ships.	Trade restrictive effect	Part V A Part III C Part VII E	TBT Agreement, GATT Articles VIII and XI	NGMA
	Woods (HS Chapter 44)	Requirement of load inspection carried only by technical and specialized qualification office without representation in the exporting county; delayed issuance of certification by the former agency, causing delay to send documents and to release the load by the importer and incidental costs.	Unstablenss and unpredictability of trade	Part II G Part II I Part III C	Agreement on Preshipment Inspection and GATT Article VIII	NGMA

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	Electric Products (HS Chapter 85)	<p>Non-acceptance of exporting country regulations based on the IEC, requiring compliance with specific regulations, with high costs and waste of time.</p> <p>Requirement to undertake individual tests for similar models that present little differences of voltage.</p>	Trade restrictive effect	Part III B Part III C	TBT Agreement	NGMA
	Chemical Products (HS Chapter 28-38)	<p>Packaging: some products such as magnesium, calcium and silicon and the calcium carburet shall not be in contact with water and, for this reason, are transported in big bags-one way, using maritime transport.</p> <p>Requirement to transport calcium carburet through a packaging in metallic containers, what increases costs and reduces competitiveness.</p>	Trade restrictive effect	Part III B Part V K	TBT Agreement	NGMA
	Pharmaceutical products (HS Chapter 30)	Legislation on bioterrorism generating excessively rigorous rules for pharmaceutical products, requiring registration in the country of all proprietors, operators or agents in charge of a domestic or foreign company which manufactures, processes, packages or stocks of pharmaceutical products.	<p>Trade restrictive effect</p> <p>The requirement increases costs and impedes exports, in particular those from SME's from developing countries.</p>	Part II G Part IV C Part V K	TBT and SPS Agreements	NGMA

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	Graphic Products (HS Chapter 49)	Legislation of foreign trade requires that exporters assign a local commercial representative or establish a subsidiary in that country, in order to be legally responsible for the compliance with the technical regulations required for the product.	Trade restrictiveness. Discriminatory effect. Only national importers, manufacturers and traders, along with those countries with which the government have celebrated Free Trade Agreements (FTA), are granted the certificate of compliance with the pertinent technical regulations.	Part III B Part V E	TBT Agreement	NGMA
	Slates (HS Chapter 96)	Non-acceptance of the results of tests undertaken by accredited laboratories in the exporting country and requirement that tests of resistance be performed by a technician from the importing country. Exporting companies have to bear all the costs related to the trip of this technician, for each dispatch that takes place. Those costs amount to 10.000 euros for each operation.	Trade restrictive effect	Part III C	TBT Agreement	NGMA
	Electric and Electronic Equipment (HS Chapter 85).	Prohibition of importation of electric and electronic equipment containing hazardous substances.	Trade restrictive effect	Part V B	GATT Article XI	NGMA
	Chemical Products, Plastics and Rubbers, downstream and upstream products (HS Chapters 28 to 40); Base metals (HS Chapters 72 to 83)	Burdensome requirements to register, evaluate and receive authorization to export; additional requirements concerning, marking, labeling and packaging.	Increasing costs of the product through the requirement to undertake additional tests, registration, evaluation, authorization, thus undermining product competitiveness.	Part III C Part IV A Part V B Part V K	TBT Agreement	NGMA

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	Textile and Textile Articles (HS Chapters 50 to 63) Raw hides and leather (HS Chapters 41 and 42) Azo dyes (HS 3204 19).	Requirement to obtain an import certificate.	The requirement of additional test increases the cost of the product and undermines competitiveness.	Part I D Part III C Part V B	TBT Agreement	NGMA
	Information technology products. Electrical machinery (HS Chapters 84, 85 and 90).	Non-transparent customs classification.	Unpredictability	Part II C	GATT Articles VIII and X	NGTF
	Automobiles and their parts, building automobile machines (HS Chapters 84, 85 and 87).	Customs procedures lack transparency and are complicated.	Unpredictability	Part II G	GATT Articles VIII and X	NGTF
	Mineral products (HS Heading 2529 and 2846).	Quantitative import restrictions and non-transparent quota allocation.	Trade restrictive effect	Part V A	GATT Articles X and XI	NGMA and NGTF
	Information technology products (HS Chapter 84, 85 and 90)	Non-transparent customs classification.	Unpredictability	Part II C	GATT Articles VIII and X	NGTF
	Gas cylinders (HS 7311.00)	Customs valuation. The invoice price is never accepted.	Unpredictability	Part II B	GATT Articles VIII and Agreement on Customs Valuation	NGTF
	Vacuum cleaners, floor polishers, washing machines and portable appliance. (HS Chapter 85)	Imposition of penalty fine in case of minor breaches or mistakes in documents required by the Customs Administration.	Trade restrictive effects	Part II G	GATT Articles V and VIII	NGTF

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	Vacuum cleaners, floor polishers, washing machines and portable appliance. (HS Chapter 85)	Requirement of serial number information for each product.	Trade restrictive effects	Part III A	TBT Agreement	NGMA and NGTF
	Vacuum cleaner motors (HS Chapter 85)	Import licenses shall be granted before each shipment. A fine is imposed if shipment takes place without previous importation license.	Trade restrictive effects	Part II H	Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures	NGTF
	Pharmaceutical products (HS Chapter 30).	Requirement to present primary pattern.	Delays in product delivery	Part IV A	SPS and TBT Agreement	NGMA
	Pharmaceutical products (HS Chapter 30).	Requirement to present complete "Drug Master File" (DMF) even for substances already registered.	Delays in product delivery and excessive documentation.	Part IV A	SPS and TBT Agreement; GATT Article VIII	NGMA
	Pharmaceutical products (HS Chapter 30).	Requirement to present monthly chromatogram for all stability studies.	Excessive documentation	Part IV A	SPS Agreement and GATT Article VIII	NGMA and NGTF
	Pharmaceutical products (HS Chapter 30).	Requirement of an import certificate authorizing the entry of controlled pharmaceutical products. Issuance of this document can take up to sixty days.	Delay in product delivery and contract cancellation.	Part IV A	SPS Agreement	NGMA
	Pharmaceutical products (HS Chapter 30).	Certification of pallets	Additional costs and undue delay.	Part IV A	SPS Agreement	NGMA
	Textiles and textile articles (HS Chapters 50 to 63)	Consularization of trade documents for exports by letter of credit. Fees charged are not related to the service rendered and are unpredictable and non transparent.	The requirement imposes excessive bureaucracy, increasing costs and delivery time what undermines the product competitiveness. There is also unpredictability in price formation for export due to the lack of transparency in fees charged and procedures.	Part II D	GATT Articles VIII and X	NGTF

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	Articles of apparel and clothing accessories knitted or crocheted. (HS Chapters 61 and 62)	Requirement of labeling certification to issue letter of credit in the importing country. Only one institution can issue the certificate, but the article composition verification must be done before its own production and in accordance to specific technical regulation.	The requirement increases export costs, causes delays and shipment loss.	Part V K	TBT Agreement	NGMA
	Textiles and textile articles. (HS Chapters 50 to 63)	Import prohibition of textiles and textile articles produced with azo colourants which may release one or more of the aromatic amines above 30 ppm in the finished product.	Trade restrictive effect. Besides, the requirement of additional documentation causes delays and shipment loss.	Part III B	TBT Agreement	NGMA
	Aluminum and articles thereof. (HS Chapter 76)	Requirement of consular visa and trade documents legalization.	The requirement increases bureaucracy and costs. In one country, for instance, the legalization of trade documents amounts to US\$ 1,000 per operation, representing about US\$ 60/ton in a container of aluminum which is equivalent to the freight price.	Part II D	GATT Article VIII	NGTF
	Aluminum and articles thereof (HS Chapter 76)	Inconsistent and unpredictable rules to issue certificates in general.	The current situation makes operations difficult and increases costs.	Part II G	GATT Article VIII and X	NGTF
	Ceramic products (HS Chapter 69)	Burdensome labeling requirement for certain ceramic products.	The requirement inhibits exports.	Part V K	TBT Agreement	NGMA
	Ceramic products (HS Chapter 69)	Requirement of preshipment inspection.	The requirement increases delivery time and costs.	Part II I	PSI Agreement	NGTF
	Ceramic products (HS Chapter 69)	The exporters are obliged to label their products in the importing country customs.	The requirement causes delays and increases costs.	Part V K	TBT Agreement	NGMA
	Ceramic products (HS Chapter 69)	Requirement of radioactivity and quality certificates for all imported products.	The requirement increases costs..	Part III C	TBT Agreement	NGMA
	Ceramic products (HS Chapter 69)	Requirement of certification for each type of product in every single operation.	The requirement inhibits exports.	Part III C	TBT Agreement	NGMA

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	Ceramic products (HS Chapter 69)	National certification of products.	The laboratory inspection required by the importing country amounts to about US\$ 4,000 per year. There is an additional cost of US\$ 300 for preshipment inspections.	Part III C Part II I	TBT Agreement, PSI Agreement	NGMA and NGTF
	Ceramic products (HS Chapter 69)	Requirement of a special certificate for government procurement.	The requirement increases costs excessively.	Part I C Part III B	TBT Agreement	NGMA
	Trailers and semi-trailers; other vehicles, not mechanically propelled; parts thereof. (HS 8716)	Requirement of licensing by local competent bodies of the importing country. In some cases, there are discriminatory requirements against imported products.	The requirement increases costs and is lengthy due to the necessity of having designated technicians of the exporting companies in the importing country during the proceedings.	Part III B Part V F	TBT Agreement GATT Article III	NGMA
	Trailers and semi-trailers; other vehicles, not mechanically propelled; parts thereof. (HS 8717)	The requirement of the National System for Testing and Certification inhibits exports as replacement parts must be certificated by local laboratories before shipment.	The tests are lengthy and expensive acting as a barrier to exports of final products.	Part III C	TBT Agreement	NGMA