

## Accessions

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Armenia (Signature subject to ratification)	10 Dec 2002		<a href="#">WT/Let/434</a>
Ratification .....	6 Jan 2003	5 Feb 2003	<a href="#">WT/Let/436</a>
The Republic of Armenia accords substantially the same treatment to its permanent residents as it accords to its nationals in respect of measures affecting trade in services. The Republic of Armenia assumes, in accordance with its laws and regulations, the same responsibilities with respect to its permanent residents as it bears with respect to its nationals.			<a href="#">S/C/N/232</a>
Bulgaria (Signature subject to ratification) .....	2 Oct 1996		<a href="#">WT/Let/113</a>
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Ratification.....	11 Nov 2001	11 Dec 2001	<a href="#">WT/Let/408</a>
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Ratification.....	31 Oct 2000	30 Nov 2000	<a href="#">WT/Let/359</a>

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<sup>109</sup> Formerly "Cape Verde".

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Ecuador (Signature subject to ratification).....	27 Sep 1995		<a href="#">WT/Let/32</a>
Ratification.....	22 Dec 1995	21 Jan 1996	<a href="#">WT/Let/53</a>
The Government of Ecuador wishes to delay application and reserves its rights in accordance with the provisions concerning special and differential treatment for developing country Members not party to the Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade done on 12 April 1979, in keeping with the provisions of Article 20, paragraphs 1 and 2, of the WTO Agreement on Customs Valuation, as well as Annex III, paragraphs 3 and 4 of that Agreement. <sup>110</sup>			<a href="#">WT/Let/72</a>
Estonia (Signature subject to ratification) .....	21 May 1999		<a href="#">WT/Let/300</a>
Ratification.....	14 Oct 1999	13 Nov 1999	<a href="#">WT/Let/313</a>
Georgia (Signature subject to ratification).....	6 Oct 1999		<a href="#">WT/Let/312</a>
Ratification.....	15 May 2000	14 Jun 2000	<a href="#">WT/Let/341</a>
Grenada <sup>111</sup> .....	23 Jan 1996	22 Feb 1996	<a href="#">WT/Let/59</a>
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Ratification .....	31 Oct 2015	30 Nov 2015	<a href="#">WT/Let/1093</a>
Kyrgyz Republic			
(Signature subject to ratification).....	14 Oct 1998		<a href="#">WT/Let/245</a>
Ratification .....	20 Nov 1998	20 Dec 1998	<a href="#">WT/Let/262</a>
Lao People's Democratic Republic			
(Signature subject to ratification).....	26 Oct 2012		<a href="#">WT/Let/869</a>
Ratification .....	3 Jan 2013	2 Feb 2013	<a href="#">WT/Let/872</a>
Latvia (Signature subject to ratification) .....	14 Oct 1998		<a href="#">WT/Let/246</a>
Ratification .....	11 Jan 1999	10 Feb 1999	<a href="#">WT/Let/281</a>

<sup>110</sup> [WT/Let/72](#).

<sup>111</sup> Grenada became a WTO Member through an accelerated accession process provided for in a General Council decision of 31 January 1995 ([WT/L/30](#)).

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Liberia (Signature subject to ratification) .....	16 Dec 2015		<a href="#">WT/Let/1118</a>
Ratification.....	14 Jun 2016	14 Jul 2016	<a href="#">WT/Let/1171</a>
Lithuania (Signature subject to ratification) .....	8 Dec 2000		<a href="#">WT/Let/364</a>
Ratification.....	1 May 2001	31 May 2001	<a href="#">WT/Let/393</a>
Moldova, Republic of (Signature subject to ratification) .....	8 May 2001		<a href="#">WT/Let/395</a>
Ratification.....	26 Jun 2001	26 Jul 2001	<a href="#">WT/Let/399</a>
Mongolia (Signature subject to ratification).....	19 Jul 1996		<a href="#">WT/Let/100</a>
Ratification.....	30 Dec 1996	29 Jan 1997	<a href="#">WT/Let/130</a>
Montenegro (Signature subject to ratification) .....	17 Dec 2011		<a href="#">WT/Let/842</a>
Ratification.....	30 Mar 2012	29 Apr 2012	<a href="#">WT/Let/849</a>
Nepal (Signature subject to ratification).....	12 Sep 2003		<a href="#">WT/Let/449</a>
Ratification.....	24 Mar 2004	23 Apr 2004	<a href="#">WT/Let/464</a>
North Macedonia <sup>112</sup> (Signature subject to ratification).....	15 Oct 2002		<a href="#">WT/Let/430</a>
Ratification.....	5 Mar 2003	4 Apr 2003	<a href="#">WT/Let/439</a>
Oman .....	10 Oct 2000	9 Nov 2000	<a href="#">WT/Let/357</a>
Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994: Paragraph 3 of Annex III to the Agreement: The Government of the Sultanate of Oman reserves the right to provide that the relevant provisions of Article 4 of the Agreement on Customs Valuation shall apply only when the customs authorities agree to the request to reverse the order of Articles 5 and 6. Paragraph 4 of Annex III to the Agreement: The Government of the Sultanate of Oman reserves the right to provide that paragraph 2 of Article 5 of the Agreement on Customs Valuation shall be applied in accordance with the provisions		<a href="#">WT/Let/368</a>	

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<sup>112</sup> Formerly "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia".

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
of the relevant note thereto whether or not the importer so requests. <sup>113</sup>			
Panama (Signature subject to ratification).....	2 Oct 1996		<a href="#">WT/Let/114</a>
Ratification.....	7 Aug 1997	6 Sep 1997	<a href="#">WT/Let/161</a>
Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994: The Government of Panama reserves the right to provide that the relevant provision of Article 4 of the Agreement shall apply only when customs authorities agree to the request to reverse the order of Articles 5 and 6. <sup>114</sup>			<a href="#">WT/Let/242</a>
Papua New Guinea <sup>115</sup> .....	10 May 1996	9 Jun 1996	<a href="#">WT/Let/84</a>
Qatar <sup>116</sup> .....	14 Dec 1995	13 Jan 1996	<a href="#">WT/Let/46</a>
Russian Federation			
(Signature subject to ratification) .....	16 Dec 2011		<a href="#">WT/Let/840</a>
Ratification.....	23 Jul 2012	22 Aug 2012	<a href="#">WT/Let/860</a>
Saint Kitts and Nevis <sup>117</sup> .....	22 Jan 1996	21 Feb 1996	<a href="#">WT/Let/58</a>
Samoa (Signature subject to ratification).....	17 Dec 2011		<a href="#">WT/Let/841</a>
Ratification.....	10 Apr 2012	10 May 2012	<a href="#">WT/Let/850</a>
Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of.....	11 Nov 2005	11 Dec 2005	<a href="#">WT/Let/503</a>
Seychelles (Signature subject to ratification) .....	10 Dec 2014		<a href="#">WT/Let/1031</a>
Ratification.....	27 Mar 2015	26 Apr 2015	<a href="#">WT/Let/1036</a>
Chinese Taipei			
(Signature subject to ratification).....	12 Nov 2001		<a href="#">WT/Let/409</a>
Ratification.....	2 Dec 2001	1 Jan 2002	<a href="#">WT/Let/411</a>
Tajikistan (Signature subject to ratification) .....	10 Dec 2012		<a href="#">WT/Let/871</a>
Ratification.....	31 Jan 2013	2 Mar 2013	<a href="#">WT/Let/878</a>

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<sup>113</sup> [WT/Let/368](#).

<sup>114</sup> [WT/Let/242](#).

<sup>115</sup> Papua New Guinea became a WTO Member through an accelerated accession process provided for in a General Council decision of 31 January 1995 ([WT/L/30](#)).

<sup>116</sup> Qatar became a WTO Member through an accelerated accession process provided for in a General Council decision of 31 January 1995 ([WT/L/30](#)).

<sup>117</sup> Saint Kitts and Nevis became a WTO Member through an accelerated accession process provided for in a General Council decision of 31 January 1995 ([WT/L/30](#)).

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Tonga (Signature subject to ratification) .....	15 Dec 2005		<a href="#">WT/Let/505</a>
Ratification.....	27 Jun 2007	27 Jul 2007	<a href="#">WT/Let/579</a>
Ukraine (Signature subject to ratification) .....	5 Feb 2008		
Ratification.....	16 Apr 2008	16 May 2008	<a href="#">WT/Let/616</a>
United Arab Emirates <sup>118</sup> .....	11 Mar 1996	10 Apr 1996	<a href="#">WT/Let/70</a>
Article 20.1 of the Agreement on Customs Valuation: The United Arab Emirates shall delay the application of the provisions of the Agreement on the Implementation of Article VII of GATT 1994 for a period of five years from its membership of the WTO, i.e. until 9 April 2001. Article 20.2 of Agreement on Customs Valuation: The United Arab Emirates shall delay the application of Paragraph 2(b)(iii) of Article 1 and Article 6 of the Agreement on the Implementation of Article VII of GATT 1994 for a period of three years following its implementation of the Agreement. Article III of the Agreement on Customs Valuation: The Government of the United Arab Emirates reserves the right to provide that the relevant provisions of Article 4 of the Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of GATT 1994 shall apply only when the customs authorities agree to the request to reverse the order of Articles 5 and 6. Furthermore, the Government of the UAE reserves the right to provide that Paragraph 2 of Article 5 of the Agreement shall be applied in accordance with the provisions of the note thereto whether or not the importer so requests. Article 2.2(a) of the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures: The United Arab Emirates shall delay the application of the provisions of sub-paragraphs a(ii) and a(iii) of Article 2.2 of the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures for a	<a href="#">WT/Let/72</a>		

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<sup>118</sup> United Arab Emirates became a WTO Member through an accelerated accession process provided for in a General Council decision of 31 January 1995 ([WT/L/30](#)).

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
period of two years from its Membership of the WTO, i.e. until 9 April 1998. <sup>119</sup>			
Vanuatu (Signature subject to ratification).....	26 Oct 2011		<a href="#">WT/Let/836</a>
Ratification.....	25 Jul 2012	24 Aug 2012	<a href="#">WT/Let/861</a>
Viet Nam (Signature subject to ratification).....	7 Nov 2006		
Ratification.....	12 Dec 2006	11 Jan 2007	<a href="#">WT/Let/552</a>
Yemen (Signature subject to ratification).....	4 Dec 2013		<a href="#">WT/Let/918</a>
Ratification.....	27 May 2014	26 Jun 2014	<a href="#">WT/Let/943</a>

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<sup>119</sup> [WT/Let/72](#).

**Protocol on the Accession of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Nairobi on 17 December 2015

Entry into force: 29 July 2016<sup>120</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 52, [WT/Let/1176](#), [WT/L/974](#)

UN Registration: 25 April 2018, [31874](#), [No. 68490](#)

UNTS: [not yet determined](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan until 30 June 2016.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each Member of the WTO and to the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan.

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Afghanistan (Signature subject to ratification)...	17 Dec 2015		<a href="#">WT/Let/1119</a>
Ratification.....	29 Jun 2016	29 Jul 2016	<a href="#">WT/Let/1176</a>

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<sup>120</sup> See [WT/Let/1176](#).

**Protocol of Accession of Albania  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 17 July 2000

Entry into force: 8 September 2000<sup>121</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 21, [WTO BISD 2000 Vol. 6/3-4](#), [WT/Let/358](#), [WT/ACC/ALB/52](#),  
[WT/ACC/ALB/53](#)

UN Registration: 24 January 2001, [31874](#), [No. 47455](#)

UNTS: [2134 UNTS 738](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Albania until 31 December 2000.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day of its acceptance.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each member of the WTO and Albania.

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**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Albania (Signature subject to ratification).....	17 Jul 2000		<a href="#">WT/Let/347</a>
Ratification.....	9 Aug 2000	8 Sep 2000	<a href="#">WT/Let/353</a>

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<sup>121</sup> See [WT/Let/353](#).



**Protocol on the Accession of the Republic of Armenia  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 10 December 2002

Entry into force: 5 February 2003<sup>122</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 30, [WTO BISD 2002 Vol. 8/3-4](#), [WT/Let/436](#), [WT/L/506](#)

UN Registration: 8 August 2005, [31874](#), [No. 52611](#)

UNTS: [2331 UNTS 195](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by the Republic of Armenia until 10 May 2003.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by the Republic of Armenia.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by the Republic of Armenia thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each Member of the WTO and to the Republic of Armenia.

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<sup>122</sup> See [WT/Let/436](#).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Armenia (Signature subject to ratification).....	10 Dec 2002		<a href="#">WT/Let/434</a>
Ratification .....	6 Jan 2003	5 Feb 2003	<a href="#">WT/Let/436</a>
The Republic of Armenia accords substantially the same treatment to its permanent residents as it accords to its nationals in respect of measures affecting trade in services. The Republic of Armenia assumes, in accordance with its laws and regulations, the same responsibilities with respect to its permanent residents as it bears with respect to its nationals.			<a href="#">S/C/N/232</a>

**Protocol for the Accession of the Republic of Bulgaria  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 2 October 1996

Entry into force: 1 December 1996<sup>123</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 12, [WTO BISD 1996 Vol. 2/13-14](#), [WT/Let/132](#), [WT/ACC/BGR/6](#),  
[WT/ACC/BGR/7](#)

UN Registration: 23 March 1999, [31874](#), [No. 45462](#)

UNTS: [2057 UNTS 131](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Bulgaria until 30 April 1997.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day of its acceptance.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by Bulgaria thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each Member of the WTO and to Bulgaria.

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**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Bulgaria (Signature subject to ratification) .....	2 Oct 1996		<a href="#">WT/Let/113</a>
Ratification.....	1 Nov 1996	1 Dec 1996	<a href="#">WT/Let/117</a>

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<sup>123</sup> See [WT/Let/117](#).

**Protocol on the Accession of the Republic of Cape Verde<sup>124</sup>  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 18 December 2007

Entry into force: 23 July 2008<sup>125</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 38, [WT/Let/629](#), [WT/L/715](#)

UN Registration: 27 April 2010, [A-31874](#), [No. 59522](#)

UNTS: [2668 UNTS 106](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by the Republic of Cape Verde until 30 June 2008.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by the Republic of Cape Verde.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by the Republic of Cape Verde thereto pursuant to paragraph 9 to each Member of the WTO and to the Republic of Cape Verde.

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<sup>124</sup> As of October 2013, "Cabo Verde".

<sup>125</sup> See [WT/Let/624](#).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Cabo Verde <sup>126</sup> (Signature subject to ratification).	18 Dec 2007		
Ratification.....	23 Jun 2008	23 Jul 2008	<a href="#">WT/Let/624</a>

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<sup>126</sup> Formerly "Cape Verde".

**Protocol on the Accession of the Kingdom of Cambodia  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Cancún on 11 September 2003

Entry into force: 13 October 2004<sup>127</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 31, WTO BISD 2003 Vol. 9/5-6, [WT/Let/480](#), [WT/MIN\(03\)/18](#)

UN Registration: 8 August 2005, [A-31874](#), [No. 52612](#)

UNTS: [2331 UNTS 196](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by the Kingdom of Cambodia until 31 March 2004.<sup>128</sup>

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by the Kingdom of Cambodia.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by the Kingdom of Cambodia thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each Member of the WTO and to the Kingdom of Cambodia.

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<sup>127</sup> See [WT/Let/480](#).

<sup>128</sup> By decision of 11 February 2004, the General Council approved an extension of the time-limit for acceptance of the Protocol to 30 September 2004 ([WT/L/561](#)).

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Cambodia (Signature subject to ratification) .....	12 Sep 2003		<a href="#">WT/Let/450</a>
Ratification.....	13 Sep 2004	13 Oct 2004	<a href="#">WT/Let/480</a>

**Protocol of Accession of the People's Republic of China  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Doha on 10 November 2001

Entry into force: 11 December 2001<sup>129</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 26, [WTO BISD 2001 Vol. 7/5-114](#), [WT/Let/417](#), [WT/L/432](#)

UN Registration: 15 May 2002, [31874](#), [No. 48895](#)

UNTS: [2182 UNTS 138](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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Part III – Final Provisions

*Paragraph 1*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by China until 1 January 2002.

*Paragraph 2*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day of its acceptance.

*Paragraph 3*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by China thereof, pursuant to paragraph 1 of Part III of this Protocol, to each WTO Member and to China.

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<sup>129</sup> See [WT/Let/408](#).



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China (Signature subject to ratification) .....	11 Nov 2001		
Ratification.....	11 Nov 2001	11 Dec 2001	<a href="#">WT/Let/408</a>

**Protocol of Accession of Croatia  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 17 July 2000

Entry into force: 30 November 2000<sup>130</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 22, [WTO BISD 2000 Vol. 6/4-6](#), [WT/Let/360](#), [WT/ACC/HRV/60](#),  
[WT/ACC/HRV/61](#)

UN Registration: 24 January 2001, [31874](#), [No. 47451](#)

UNTS: [2134 UNTS 650](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Croatia until 31 October 2000.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day of its acceptance.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each member of the WTO and Croatia.

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Croatia (Signature subject to ratification) .....	17 Jul 2000		<a href="#">WT/Let/348</a>
Ratification.....	31 Oct 2000	30 Nov 2000	<a href="#">WT/Let/359</a>

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<sup>130</sup> See [WT/Let/359](#).

**Protocol for the Accession of the Republic of Ecuador  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 16 August 1995

Entry into force: 21 January 1996<sup>131</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 2, [WTO BISD 1995 Vol. 1/4-6](#), [WT/Let/34](#), [WT/ACC/ECU/5](#),  
[WT/ACC/ECU/6](#)

UN Registration: 25 June 1996, [31874](#), No. 42569

UNTS: [1928 UNTS 403](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Ecuador until 31 December 1995.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day of its acceptance.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each Member of the WTO and to Ecuador.

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<sup>131</sup> See [WT/Let/53](#).

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	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Ecuador (Signature subject to ratification).....	27 Sep 1995		<a href="#">WT/Let/32</a>
Ratification.....	22 Dec 1995	21 Jan 1996	<a href="#">WT/Let/53</a>
The Government of Ecuador wishes to delay application and reserves its rights in accordance with the provisions concerning special and differential treatment for developing country Members not party to the Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade done on 12 April 1979, in keeping with the provisions of Article 20, paragraphs 1 and 2, of the WTO Agreement on Customs Valuation, as well as Annex III, paragraphs 3 and 4 of that Agreement.			<a href="#">WT/Let/72</a>

**Protocol of Accession of Estonia  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 21 May 1999

Entry into force: 13 November 1999<sup>132</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 18, [WTO BISD 1999 Vol. 5/5-6](#), [WT/Let/311](#), [WT/ACC/EST/29](#),  
[WT/ACC/EST/30](#)

UN Registration: 24 January 2001, [31874](#), [No. 47452](#)

UNTS: [2134 UNTS 669](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Estonia until 31 October 1999.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day of its acceptance.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each member of the WTO and Estonia.

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Estonia (Signature subject to ratification) .....	21 May 1999		<a href="#">WT/Let/300</a>
Ratification.....	14 Oct 1999	13 Nov 1999	<a href="#">WT/Let/313</a>

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<sup>132</sup> See [WT/Let/313](#).

**Protocol of Accession of Georgia  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 6 October 1999

Entry into force: 14 June 2000<sup>133</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 19, [WTO BISD 1999 Vol. 5/7-8](#), [WT/Let/319](#),<sup>134</sup> [WT/Let/327](#),  
[WT/ACC/GEO/32](#), [WT/ACC/GEO/33](#)

UN Registration: 24 January 2001, [31874](#), [No. 47453](#)

UNTS: [2134 UNTS 688](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Georgia until 1 March 2000.<sup>135</sup>

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day of its acceptance.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each member of the WTO and Georgia.

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<sup>133</sup> See [WT/Let/341](#).

<sup>134</sup> Technical errors in the authentic text of the Protocol of Accession of Georgia were rectified through a *procès-verbal* done on 21 November 1999. The rectification concerned the omission of pages 8, 22, and 23 of the Spanish version only of the services schedule annexed to the Protocol ([WT/Let/314](#); [WT/Let/319](#)).

<sup>135</sup> By decision of 13 March 2000, the General Council approved an extension of the time-limit for acceptance of the Protocol to 15 May 2000 ([WT/L/346](#)).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Georgia (Signature subject to ratification).....	6 Oct 1999		<a href="#">WT/Let/312</a>
Ratification.....	15 May 2000	14 Jun 2000	<a href="#">WT/Let/341</a>

**Protocol of Accession of Grenada  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 15 November 1995

Entry into force: 22 February 1996<sup>136</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 6, [WTO BISD 1995 Vol. 1/6-7](#), [WT/Let/61](#), [WT/L/30](#),<sup>137</sup> [WT/L/96](#),  
[WT/L/97](#)

UN Registration: 25 June 1996, [31874](#), No. 42573

UNTS: [1928 UNTS 432](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 6*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Grenada until 90 days after its approval by the General Council.

*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day of its acceptance.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance thereto pursuant to paragraph 6 to each member of the WTO and to Grenada.

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<sup>136</sup> See [WT/Let/59](#).

<sup>137</sup> Grenada gained contracting party status to the GATT 1947 before 15 April 1994, but could not establish its WTO goods and services schedules in time for inclusion in the Marrakesh Final Act. The goods and services schedules of Grenada were annexed to its accession protocol approved in an accelerated accession process by the WTO General Council.



**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Grenada <sup>138</sup> .....	23 Jan 1996	22 Feb 1996	<a href="#">WT/Let/59</a>

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<sup>138</sup> Grenada became a WTO Member through an accelerated accession process provided for in a General Council decision of 31 January 1995 ([WT/L/30](#)).

**Protocol of Accession of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 17 December 1999

Entry into force: 11 April 2000<sup>139</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 20, [WTO BISD 1999 Vol. 5/10-11](#), [WT/Let/335](#), [WT/ACC/JOR/33](#),  
[WT/ACC/JOR/35](#)

UN Registration: 24 January 2001, [31874](#), [No. 47456](#)

UNTS: [2134 UNTS 706](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Jordan until 31 March 2000.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day of its acceptance.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each member of the WTO and Jordan.

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**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Jordan (Signature subject to ratification) .....	17 Dec 1999		<a href="#">WT/Let/323</a>
Acceptance .....	12 Mar 2000	11 Apr 2000	<a href="#">WT/Let/333</a>

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<sup>139</sup> See [WT/Let/333](#).

**Protocol on the Accession of the Republic of Kazakhstan  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 27 July 2015

Entry into force: 30 November 2015<sup>140</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 49, [WT/Let/1130](#), [WT/L/957](#)

UN Registration: 25 April 2018, [31874](#), [No. 68491](#)

UNTS: [not yet determined](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

7. This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Kazakhstan until 31 October 2015 or such later date as may be decided by the General Council.

*Paragraph 8*

8. This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by Kazakhstan.

*Paragraph 9*

9. This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by Kazakhstan thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each Member of the WTO and to Kazakhstan.

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<sup>140</sup> See [WT/Let/1093](#).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Kazakhstan (Signature subject to ratification) .....	27 Jul 2015		<a href="#">WT/Let/1057</a>
Ratification .....	31 Oct 2015	30 Nov 2015	<a href="#">WT/Let/1093</a>

**Protocol of Accession of the Kyrgyz Republic  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 14 October 1998

Entry into force: 20 December 1998<sup>141</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 16, [WTO BISD 1998 Vol. 4/5-6](#), [WT/Let/296](#), [WT/ACC/KGZ/28](#),  
[WT/ACC/KGZ/29](#)

UN Registration: 14 July 1999, [31874](#), [No. 45972](#)

UNTS: [2073 UNTS 119](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by the Kyrgyz Republic until 1 December 1998.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day of its acceptance.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each Member of the WTO and the Kyrgyz Republic.

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<sup>141</sup> See [WT/Let/262](#).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Kyrgyz Republic			
(Signature subject to ratification).....	14 Oct 1998		<a href="#">WT/Let/245</a>
Ratification .....	20 Nov 1998	20 Dec 1998	<a href="#">WT/Let/262</a>

**Protocol on the Accession of the Lao People's Democratic Republic  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 26 October 2012

Entry into force: 2 February 2013<sup>142</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 44, [WT/Let/876](#), [WT/L/865](#)

UN Registration: 20 March 2015, [31874](#), [No. 65111](#)

UNTS: [not yet determined](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by the Lao People's Democratic Republic until 24 April 2013.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by the Lao People's Democratic Republic.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by the Lao People's Democratic Republic thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each Member of the WTO and to the Lao People's Democratic Republic.

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<sup>142</sup> See [WT/Let/872](#).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Lao People's Democratic Republic			
(Signature subject to ratification).....	26 Oct 2012		<a href="#">WT/Let/869</a>
Ratification .....	3 Jan 2013	2 Feb 2013	<a href="#">WT/Let/872</a>



**Protocol of Accession of Latvia  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 14 October 1998

Entry into force: 10 February 1999<sup>143</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 17, [WTO BISD 1998 Vol. 4/7-8](#), [WT/Let/298](#), [WT/ACC/LVA/34](#),  
[WT/ACC/LVA/35](#)

UN Registration: 14 July 1999, [31874](#), [No. 45971](#)

UNTS: [2073 UNTS 127](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Latvia until 1 May 1999.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day of its acceptance.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each Member of the WTO and Latvia.

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<sup>143</sup> See [WT/Let/281](#).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Latvia (Signature subject to ratification) .....	14 Oct 1998		<a href="#">WT/Let/246</a>
Ratification .....	11 Jan 1999	10 Feb 1999	<a href="#">WT/Let/281</a>

**Protocol on the Accession of the Republic of Liberia  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Nairobi on 16 December 2015

Entry into force: 14 July 2016<sup>144</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 51, [WT/Let/1171](#), [WT/MIN\(15\)/38](#), [WT/L/973](#)

UN Registration: 25 April 2018, [A-31874](#), [No. 68492](#)

UNTS: [not yet determined](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Liberia until 15 June 2016 or such later date as may be decided by the Ministerial Council.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by Liberia.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by Liberia thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each Member of the WTO and to Liberia.

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<sup>144</sup> See [WT/Let/1171](#).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Liberia (Signature subject to ratification) .....	16 Dec 2015		<a href="#">WT/Let/1118</a>
Ratification.....	14 Jun 2016	14 Jul 2016	<a href="#">WT/Let/1171</a>

**Protocol of Accession of Lithuania  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 8 December 2000

Entry into force: 31 May 2001<sup>145</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 24, [WTO BISD 2000 Vol. 6/8-9](#), [WT/Let/378](#), [WT/Let/389](#),<sup>146</sup>  
[WT/ACC/LTU/53](#), [WT/ACC/LTU/54](#)

UN Registration: 17 June 2002, [A-31874](#), [No. 48988](#)

UNTS: [2185 UNTS 586](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Lithuania until 1 May 2001.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day of its acceptance.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each Member of the WTO and Lithuania.

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<sup>145</sup> See [WT/Let/393](#).

<sup>146</sup> Technical errors in the authentic text of the Protocol of Accession of Lithuania were rectified through a *procès-verbal* done on 6 April 2001. The rectification concerned certain tariff lines in the goods schedule annexed to the Protocol ([WT/Let/380](#); [WT/Let/380/Corr.1](#); [WT/Let/389](#)).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Lithuania (Signature subject to ratification) .....	8 Dec 2000		<a href="#">WT/Let/364</a>
Ratification.....	1 May 2001	31 May 2001	<a href="#">WT/Let/393</a>

**Protocol of Accession of the Republic of Moldova  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 8 May 2001

Entry into force: 26 July 2001<sup>147</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 25, [WTO BISD 2001 Vol. 7/115-116](#), [WT/Let/410](#),  
[WT/ACC/MOL/39](#), [WT/ACC/MOL/40](#)

UN Registration: 17 June 2002, [A-31874](#), [No. 48987](#)

UNTS: [2185 UNTS 580](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Moldova until 1 July 2001.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day of its acceptance.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each member of the WTO and Moldova.

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<sup>147</sup> See [WT/Let/399](#).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Moldova, Republic of			
(Signature subject to ratification) .....	8 May 2001		<a href="#">WT/Let/395</a>
Ratification.....	26 Jun 2001	26 July 2001	<a href="#">WT/Let/399</a>



**Protocol for the Accession of Mongolia  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 18 July 1996

Entry into force: 29 January 1997<sup>148</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 11, [WTO BISD 1996 Vol. 2/14-16](#), [WT/Let/109](#), [WT/Let/125](#),<sup>149</sup>  
[WT/ACC/MNG/10](#), [WT/ACC/MNG/11](#)

UN Registration: 23 March 1999, [A-31874](#), [No. 45463](#)

UNTS: [2057 UNTS 140](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Mongolia until 31 December 1996.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by Mongolia.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by Mongolia thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each Member of the WTO and to Mongolia.

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<sup>148</sup> See [WT/Let/130](#).

<sup>149</sup> Technical errors in the authentic text of the Protocol of Accession of Mongolia were rectified through a *procès-verbal* done on 28 November 1996. The rectification concerned certain tariff lines in the goods schedule annexed to the Protocol ([WT/Let/115](#); [WT/Let/125](#)).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Mongolia (Signature subject to ratification).....	19 Jul 1996		<a href="#">WT/Let/100</a>
Ratification.....	30 Dec 1996	29 January 1997	<a href="#">WT/Let/130</a>

**Protocol on the Accession of Montenegro  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 17 December 2011

Entry into force: 29 April 2012<sup>150</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 42, [WT/Let/857](#), [WT/MIN\(11\)/28](#), [WT/L/841](#)

UN Registration: 15 October 2012, [A-31874](#), [No. 62596](#)

UNTS: [2874 UNTS 175](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Montenegro until 31 March 2012.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by Montenegro.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by Montenegro thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each Member of the WTO and to Montenegro.

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<sup>150</sup> See [WT/Let/849](#).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Montenegro (Signature subject to ratification) ....	17 Dec 2011		<a href="#">WT/Let/842</a>
Ratification.....	30 Mar 2012	29 Apr 2012	<a href="#">WT/Let/849</a>

**Protocol on the Accession of the Kingdom of Nepal  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Cancún on 11 September 2003

Entry into force: 23 April 2004<sup>151</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 32, WTO BISD 2003 Vol. 9/7-8, [WT/Let/464](#), [WT/MIN\(03\)/19](#)

UN Registration: 8 August 2005, [31874](#), [No. 52613](#)

UNTS: [2331 UNTS 196](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by the Kingdom of Nepal until 31 March 2004.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by the Kingdom of Nepal.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by the Kingdom of Nepal thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each Member of the WTO and to the Kingdom of Nepal.

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<sup>151</sup> See [WT/Let/464](#).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Nepal (Signature subject to ratification).....	12 Sep 2003		<a href="#">WT/Let/449</a>
Ratification.....	24 Mar 2004	23 April 2004	<a href="#">WT/Let/464</a>

**Protocol of Accession of the Sultanate of Oman  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 10 October 2000

Entry into force: 9 November 2000<sup>152</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 23, [WTO BISD 2000 Vol. 6/6-8](#), [WT/Let/369](#), [WT/ACC/OMN/27](#),  
[WT/ACC/OMN/28](#)

UN Registration: 24 January 2001, [31874](#), [No. 47454](#)

UNTS: [2134 UNTS 721](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Oman until 31 October 2000.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day of its acceptance.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each member of the WTO and Oman.

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<sup>152</sup> See [WT/Let/357](#).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Oman .....	10 Oct 2000	9 Nov 2000	<a href="#">WT/Let/357</a> <a href="#">WT/Let/368</a>
Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994:			
Paragraph 3 of Annex III to the Agreement:			
The Government of the Sultanate of Oman reserves the right to provide that the relevant provisions of Article 4 of the Agreement on Customs Valuation shall apply only when the customs authorities agree to the request to reverse the order of Articles 5 and 6.			
Paragraph 4 of Annex III to the Agreement:			
The Government of the Sultanate of Oman reserves the right to provide that paragraph 2 of Article 5 of the Agreement on Customs Valuation shall be applied in accordance with the provisions of the relevant note thereto whether or not the importer so requests. <sup>153</sup>			

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<sup>153</sup> [WT/Let/368](#).



**Protocol for the Accession of the Republic of Panama  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 2 October 1996

Entry into force: 6 September 1997<sup>154</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 13, [WTO BISD 1996 Vol. 2/16-17](#), [WT/Let/133](#),  
[WT/ACC/PAN/20](#), [WT/ACC/PAN/21](#)

UN Registration: 23 March 1999, [31874](#), [No. 45461](#)

UNTS: [2057 UNTS 122](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

...

*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Panama until 30 June 1997.<sup>155</sup>

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day of its acceptance.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each Member of the WTO and to Panama.

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<sup>154</sup> See [WT/Let/161](#).

<sup>155</sup> By decision of 30 June 1997, the General Council approved an extension of the time-limit for acceptance of the Protocol to 31 October 1997 ([WT/ACC/PAN/23](#)).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Panama (Signature subject to ratification).....	2 Oct 1996		<a href="#">WT/Let/114</a>
Ratification.....	7 Aug 1997	6 Sep 1997	<a href="#">WT/Let/161</a>
Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994:  The Government of Panama reserves the right to provide that the relevant provision of Article 4 of the Agreement shall apply only when customs authorities agree to the request to reverse the order of Articles 5 and 6. <sup>156</sup>			<a href="#">WT/Let/242</a>

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<sup>156</sup> [WT/Let/242](#).

**Protocol of Accession of Papua New Guinea  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 15 November 1995

Entry into force: 9 June 1996<sup>157</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 8, [WTO BISD 1995 Vol. 1/7-9](#), [WT/Let/63](#), [WT/L/30](#),<sup>158</sup> [WT/L/98](#),  
[WT/L/99](#)

UN Registration: 25 June 1996, [31874](#), No. 42574

UNTS: [1928 UNTS 440](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 6*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Papua New Guinea until 90 days after its approval by the General Council.<sup>159</sup>

*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day of its acceptance.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance thereto pursuant to paragraph 6 to each member of the WTO and to Papua New Guinea.

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<sup>157</sup> See [WT/Let/84](#).

<sup>158</sup> Papua New Guinea gained contracting party status to the GATT 1947 before 15 April 1994, but could not establish its WTO goods and services schedules in time for inclusion in the Marrakesh Final Act. The goods and services schedules of Papua New Guinea were annexed to its accession protocol approved in an accelerated accession process by the WTO General Council.

<sup>159</sup> By decision of 6 February 1996, the General Council approved an extension of the time-limit for acceptance of the Protocol to 13 May 1996 ([WT/L/130](#)).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Papua New Guinea <sup>160</sup> .....	10 May 1996	9 Jun 1996	<a href="#">WT/Let/84</a>

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<sup>160</sup> Papua New Guinea became a WTO Member through an accelerated accession process provided for in a General Council decision of 31 January 1995 ([WT/L/30](#)).

**Protocol of Accession of the State of Qatar  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 15 November 1995

Entry into force: 13 January 1996<sup>161</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 9, [WTO BISD 1995 Vol. 1/9-11](#), [WT/Let/64](#), [WT/L/30](#),<sup>162</sup>  
[WT/L/100](#), [WT/L/101](#)

UN Registration: 25 June 1996, [31874](#), No. 42571

UNTS: [1928 UNTS 416](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 6*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by the State of Qatar until 90 days after its approval by the General Council.

*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day of its acceptance.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance thereto pursuant to paragraph 6 to each member of the WTO and to the State of Qatar.

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<sup>161</sup> See [WT/Let/46](#).

<sup>162</sup> Qatar gained contracting party status to the GATT 1947 before 15 April 1994, but could not establish its WTO goods and services schedules in time for inclusion in the Marrakesh Final Act. The goods and services schedules of Qatar were annexed to its accession protocol approved in an accelerated accession process by the WTO General Council.

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Qatar <sup>163</sup> .....	14 Dec 1995	13 Jan 1996	<a href="#">WT/Let/46</a>

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<sup>163</sup> Qatar became a WTO Member through an accelerated accession process provided for in a General Council decision of 31 January 1995 ([WT/L/30](#)).

**Protocol on the Accession of the Russian Federation  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 16 December 2011

Entry into force: 22 August 2012<sup>164</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 40, [WT/Let/860](#), [WT/MIN\(11\)/SR/3](#),<sup>165</sup> [WT/MIN\(11\)/24](#),  
[WT/L/839](#)

UN Registration: 15 October 2012, [31874](#), [No. 62598](#)

UNTS: [2874 UNTS 176](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by the Russian Federation within a period of 220 days from the approval of the Protocol of Accession of the Russian Federation.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by the Russian Federation.

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<sup>164</sup> See [WT/Let/860](#).

<sup>165</sup> Before taking up the accession package of the Russian Federation, the Chairman of the Eighth Session stated the following for note by the WTO Ministerial Conference: "In adopting the Decision on the Accession of the Russian Federation, it is understood that only the Protocol on the Accession of the Russian Federation is authentic in the three official WTO languages, while the Report of the Working Party on the Accession of the Russian Federation and Schedules are authentic in English only." ([WT/MIN\(11\)/SR/3](#), paragraphs 6, 9 and 10).

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by the Russian Federation thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each member of the WTO and to the Russian Federation.

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**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Russian Federation			
(Signature subject to ratification) .....	16 Dec 2011		<a href="#">WT/Let/840</a>
Ratification.....	23 Jul 2012	22 Aug 2012	<a href="#">WT/Let/860</a>



**Protocol of Accession of Saint Kitts and Nevis  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 15 November 1995

Entry into force: 21 February 1996<sup>166</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 7, [WTO BISD 1995 Vol. 1/11-13](#), [WT/Let/62](#), [WT/L/30](#),<sup>167</sup>  
[WT/L/94](#), [WT/L/95](#)

UN Registration: 25 June 1996, [31874](#), No. 42572

UNTS: [1928 UNTS 424](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 6*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Saint Kitts and Nevis until 90 days after its approval by the General Council.

*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day of its acceptance.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance thereto pursuant to paragraph 6 to each member of the WTO and to Saint Kitts and Nevis.

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<sup>166</sup> See [WT/Let/58](#).

<sup>167</sup> Saint Kitts and Nevis gained contracting party status to the GATT 1947 before 15 April 1994, but could not establish its WTO goods and services schedules in time for inclusion in the Marrakesh Final Act. The goods and services schedules of Saint Kitts and Nevis were annexed to its accession protocol approved in an accelerated accession process by the WTO General Council.

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Saint Kitts and Nevis <sup>168</sup> .....	22 Jan 1996	21 Feb 1996	<a href="#">WT/Let/58</a>

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<sup>168</sup> Saint Kitts and Nevis became a WTO Member through an accelerated accession process provided for in a General Council decision of 31 January 1995 ([WT/L/30](#)).

**Protocol on the Accession of Samoa  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 17 December 2011

Entry into force: 10 May 2012<sup>169</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 41, [WT/Let/856](#), [WT/MIN\(11\)/27](#), [WT/L/840](#)

UN Registration: 15 October 2012, [31874](#), [No. 62597](#)

UNTS: [2874 UNTS 176](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Samoa until 15 June 2012.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by Samoa.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by Samoa thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each member of the WTO and to Samoa.

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**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Samoa (Signature subject to ratification).....	17 Dec 2011		<a href="#">WT/Let/841</a>
Ratification.....	10 Apr 2012	10 May 2012	<a href="#">WT/Let/850</a>

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<sup>169</sup> See [WT/Let/850](#).

**Protocol on the Accession of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 11 November 2005

Entry into force: 11 December 2005<sup>170</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 33, [WTO BISD 2005 Vol. 11/5-6](#), [WT/Let/510](#), [WT/L/627](#)

UN Registration: 14 March 2007, [31874](#), [No. 55083](#)

UNTS: [2422 UNTS 171](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia until 31 December 2005.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia thereto pursuant to paragraph 9 to each Member of the WTO and to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

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<sup>170</sup> See [WT/Let/503](#).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of.....	11 Nov 2005	11 Dec 2005	<a href="#">WT/Let/503</a>

**Protocol on the Accession of the Republic of Seychelles  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 10 December 2014

Entry into force: 26 April 2015<sup>171</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 48, [WT/Let/1040](#), [WT/L/944](#)

UN Registration: 25 April 2018, [31874](#), [No. 68493](#)

UNTS: [not yet determined](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Seychelles until 1 June 2015 or such later date as may be decided by the General Council.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by Seychelles.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by Seychelles thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each Member of the WTO and to Seychelles.

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**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Seychelles (Signature subject to ratification).....	10 Dec 2014		<a href="#">WT/Let/1031</a>
Ratification.....	27 Mar 2015	26 Apr 2015	<a href="#">WT/Let/1036</a>

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<sup>171</sup> See [WT/Let/1036](#).

## **Protocol of Accession of the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Doha on 11 November 2001

Entry into force: 1 January 2002<sup>172</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 27, [WTO BISD 2001 Vol. 7/117-122](#), [WT/Let/418](#), [WT/L/433](#)

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### **Relevant clauses**

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#### *Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Chinese Taipei until 31 March 2002.

#### *Paragraph 10*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by Chinese Taipei.

#### *Paragraph 11*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by Chinese Taipei thereto pursuant to paragraph 9 to each Member of the WTO and to Chinese Taipei.

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### **Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Chinese Taipei			
(Signature subject to ratification).....	12 Nov 2001		<a href="#">WT/Let/409</a>
Ratification.....	2 Dec 2001	1 Jan 2002	<a href="#">WT/Let/411</a>

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<sup>172</sup> See [WT/Let/411](#).

**Protocol on the Accession of the Republic of Tajikistan  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 10 December 2012

Entry into force: 2 March 2013<sup>173</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 45, [WT/Let/879](#), [WT/L/872](#)

UN Registration: 15 October 2014, [31874](#), [No. 65112](#)

UNTS: [not yet determined](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by the Republic of Tajikistan until 7 June 2013 or such later date as may be decided by the General Council.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by the Republic of Tajikistan.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by the Republic of Tajikistan thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each Member of the WTO and to the Republic of Tajikistan.

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<sup>173</sup> See [WT/Let/878](#).



**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Tajikistan (Signature subject to ratification).....	10 Dec 2012		<a href="#">WT/Let/871</a>
Ratification.....	31 Jan 2013	2 March 2013	<a href="#">WT/Let/878</a>

**Protocol of Accession of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia<sup>174</sup>  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 15 October 2002

Entry into force: 4 April 2003<sup>175</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 29, [WTO BISD 2002 Vol. 8/5-6](#), [WT/Let/439](#), [WT/L/494](#)

UN Registration: 8 August 2005, [31874](#), [No. 52610](#)

UNTS: [2331 UNTS 195](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia until 31 March 2003.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia thereto pursuant to paragraph 9 to each Member of the WTO and to the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

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<sup>174</sup> As of February 2019, "North Macedonia".

<sup>175</sup> See [WT/Let/439](#).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
North Macedonia <sup>176</sup>			
(Signature subject to ratification).....	15 Oct 2002		<a href="#">WT/Let/430</a>
Ratification.....	5 Mar 2003	4 Apr 2003	<a href="#">WT/Let/439</a>

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<sup>176</sup> Formerly "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia".

**Protocol on the Accession of the Kingdom of Tonga  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Hong Kong on 15 December 2005

Entry into force: 27 July 2007<sup>177</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 36, [WTO BISD 2005 Vol. 11/7-8](#), [WT/Let/580](#), [WT/L/644](#)

UN Registration: 23 May 2008, [31874](#), [No. 56673](#)

UNTS: [2518 UNTS 109](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by the Kingdom of Tonga until 31 July 2006.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by the Kingdom of Tonga.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by the Kingdom of Tonga thereto pursuant to paragraph 9 to each Member of the WTO and to the Kingdom of Tonga.

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<sup>177</sup> See [WT/Let/579](#).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Tonga (Signature subject to ratification) .....	15 Dec 2005		<a href="#">WT/Let/505</a>
Ratification.....	27 Jun 2007	27 Jul 2007	<a href="#">WT/Let/579</a>

**Protocol on the Accession of Ukraine  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 5 February 2008

Entry into force: 16 May 2008<sup>178</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 37, [WT/Let/618](#),<sup>179</sup> [WT/Let/622](#), [WT/L/718](#)

UN Registration: 27 April 2010, [31874](#), [No. 59523](#)

UNTS: [2668 UNTS 111](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Ukraine until 4 July 2008.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by Ukraine.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by Ukraine thereto pursuant to paragraph 9 to each Member of the WTO and to Ukraine.

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<sup>178</sup> See [WT/Let/616](#).

<sup>179</sup> Technical errors in the authentic text of the Protocol of Accession of Ukraine were rectified through a *procès-verbal* done on 15 May 2008. The rectification concerned certain tariff lines in the goods schedule annexed to the Protocol ([WT/Let/615](#); [WT/Let/618](#)).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Ukraine (Signature subject to ratification) .....	5 Feb 2008		
Ratification.....	16 Apr 2008	16 May 2008	<a href="#">WT/Let/616</a>

**Protocol for the Accession of the United Arab Emirates  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 6 February 1996

Entry into force: 10 April 1996<sup>180</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 10, [WTO BISD 1996 Vol. 2/18-19](#), [WT/Let/131](#), [WT/L/30](#),<sup>181</sup>  
[WT/Let/102](#),<sup>182</sup> [WT/L/128](#), [WT/L/129](#)

UN Registration: 24 January 2001, [31874](#), [No. 47450](#)

UNTS: [2134 UNTS 642](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by the United Arab Emirates until 90 days after its approval by the General Council.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day of its acceptance.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance thereof pursuant to paragraph 7 to each member of the WTO and to the United Arab Emirates.

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<sup>180</sup> See [WT/Let/70](#).

<sup>181</sup> The United Arab Emirates gained contracting party status to the GATT 1947 before 15 April 1994, but could not establish its WTO goods and services schedules in time for inclusion in the Marrakesh Final Act. The goods and services schedules of the United Arab Emirates were annexed to its accession protocol approved in an accelerated accession process by the WTO General Council.

<sup>182</sup> Technical errors in the authentic text of the Protocol of Accession of the United Arab Emirates were rectified through a *procès-verbal* done on 2 August 1996. The rectification concerned the replacement of pages 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 of the Protocol, concerning the goods schedule ([WT/Let/75](#); [WT/Let/102](#)).



**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
United Arab Emirates <sup>183</sup> .....	11 Mar 1996	10 Apr 1996	<a href="#">WT/Let/70</a>
Article 20.1 of the Agreement on Customs Valuation:			<a href="#">WT/Let/72</a>
<p>The United Arab Emirates shall delay the application of the provisions of the Agreement on the Implementation of Article VII of GATT 1994 for a period of five years from its membership of the WTO, i.e. until 9 April 2001.</p>			
<p>Article 20.2 of Agreement on Customs Valuation:</p>			
<p>The United Arab Emirates shall delay the application of Paragraph 2(b)(iii) of Article 1 and Article 6 of the Agreement on the Implementation of Article VII of GATT 1994 for a period of three years following its implementation of the Agreement.</p>			
<p>Article III of the Agreement on Customs Valuation:</p>			
<p>The Government of the United Arab Emirates reserves the right to provide that the relevant provisions of Article 4 of the Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of GATT 1994 shall apply only when the customs authorities agree to the request to reverse the order of Articles 5 and 6. Furthermore, the Government of the UAE reserves the right to provide that Paragraph 2 of Article 5 of the Agreement shall be applied in accordance with the provisions of the note thereto whether or not the importer so requests.</p>			
<p>Article 2.2(a) of the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures:</p>			
<p>The United Arab Emirates shall delay the application of the provisions of sub-paragraphs a(ii) and a(iii) of Article 2.2 of the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures for a period of two years from its Membership of the WTO, i.e. until 9 April 1998.<sup>184</sup></p>			

**Protocol on the Accession of Vanuatu  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 26 October 2011

Entry into force: 24 August 2012<sup>185</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 39, [WTO BISD 2006 Vol. 12/5-6](#), [WT/Let/861](#), [WT/L/823](#)

UN Registration: 15 October 2012, [31874](#), [No. 62599](#)

UNTS: [2874 UNTS 177](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by Vanuatu until 31 December 2011.<sup>186</sup>

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by Vanuatu.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by Vanuatu thereto pursuant to paragraph 9 to each Member of the WTO and to Vanuatu.

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<sup>183</sup> The United Arab Emirates became a WTO Member through an accelerated accession process provided for in a General Council decision of 31 January 1995 ([WT/L/30](#)).

<sup>184</sup> [WT/Let/72](#).

<sup>185</sup> See [WT/Let/861](#).

<sup>186</sup> By decision of 25 July 2012, the General Council decided to reopen the Protocol for acceptance by Vanuatu until 31 December 2012 ([WT/L/862](#)).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Vanuatu (Signature subject to ratification).....	26 Oct 2011		<a href="#">WT/Let/836</a>
Ratification.....	25 Jul 2012	24 Aug 2012	<a href="#">WT/Let/861</a>

**Protocol on the Accession of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Geneva on 7 November 2006

Entry into force: 11 January 2007<sup>187</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 35, [WT/Let/552](#), [WT/L/662](#)

UN Registration: 14 March 2007, [31874](#), [No. 55082](#)

UNTS: [2422 UNTS 181](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam until 30 June 2007.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam thereto pursuant to paragraph 9 to each Member of the WTO and to the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam.

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<sup>187</sup> See [WT/Let/552](#).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Viet Nam (Signature subject to ratification).....	7 Nov 2006		
Ratification.....	12 Dec 2006	11 Jan 2007	<a href="#">WT/Let/552</a>

**Protocol on the Accession of the Republic of Yemen  
to the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization**

Done at Bali on 4 December 2013

Entry into force: 26 June 2014<sup>188</sup>

Text: WTO Treaty Series No. 46, [WT/Let/979](#), [WT/L/905](#)

UN Registration: 15 October 2014, [31874](#), [No. 65113](#)

UNTS: [not yet determined](#)

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**Relevant clauses**

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*Paragraph 7*

This Protocol shall be open for acceptance, by signature or otherwise, by the Republic of Yemen until 2 June 2014 or such later date as may be decided by the Ministerial Conference.

*Paragraph 8*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the day upon which it shall have been accepted by the Republic of Yemen.

*Paragraph 9*

This Protocol shall be deposited with the Director-General of the WTO. The Director-General of the WTO shall promptly furnish a certified copy of this Protocol and a notification of acceptance by the Republic of Yemen thereto pursuant to paragraph 7 to each Member of the WTO and to the Republic of Yemen.

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<sup>188</sup> See [WT/Let/943](#).

**Accession**

	<i>Acceptance</i>	<i>Entry into force</i>	<i>Notification</i>
Yemen (Signature subject to ratification).....	4 Dec 2013		<a href="#">WT/Let/918</a>
Ratification.....	27 May 2014	26 Jun 2014	<a href="#">WT/Let/943</a>