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A brief look at the work of the CoA

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Political Dimension: AoA was a significant political moment in the history of the MTS; agricultural trade brought fully within multilateral trade rules for the first time since the inception of the GATT in 1948

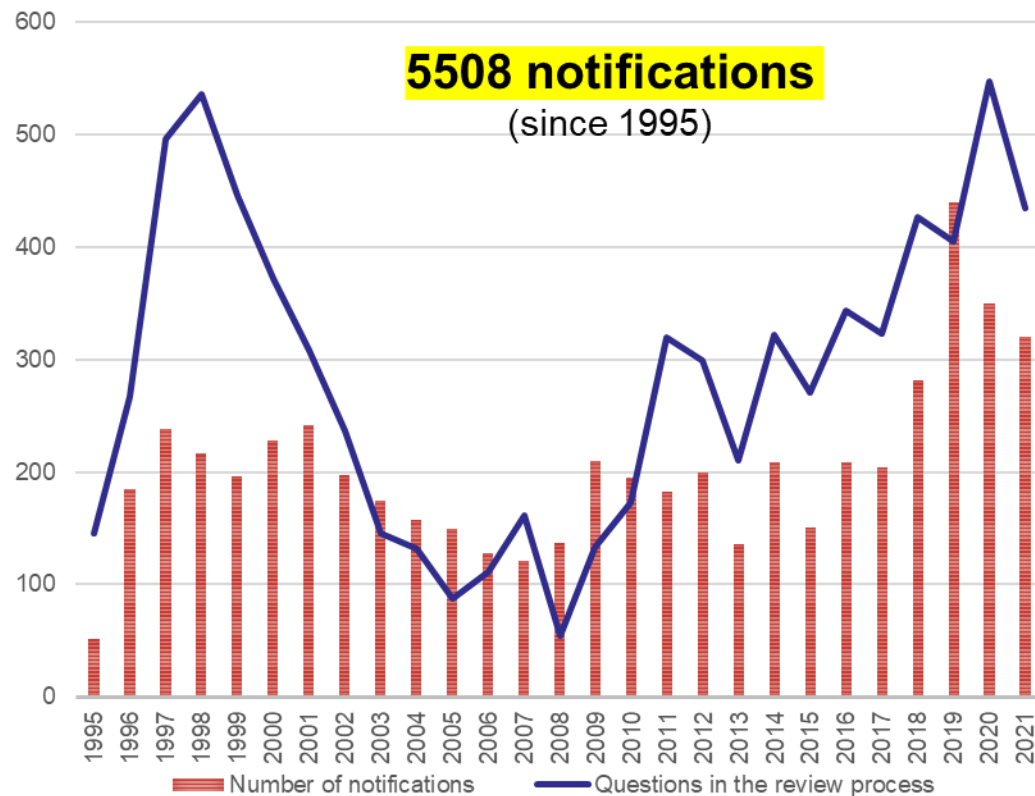
- The CoA mandated to monitor the implementation of the AoA naturally imbibed that political dimension

Implementation Dimension: Novelty and technical complexity of agricultural commitments:

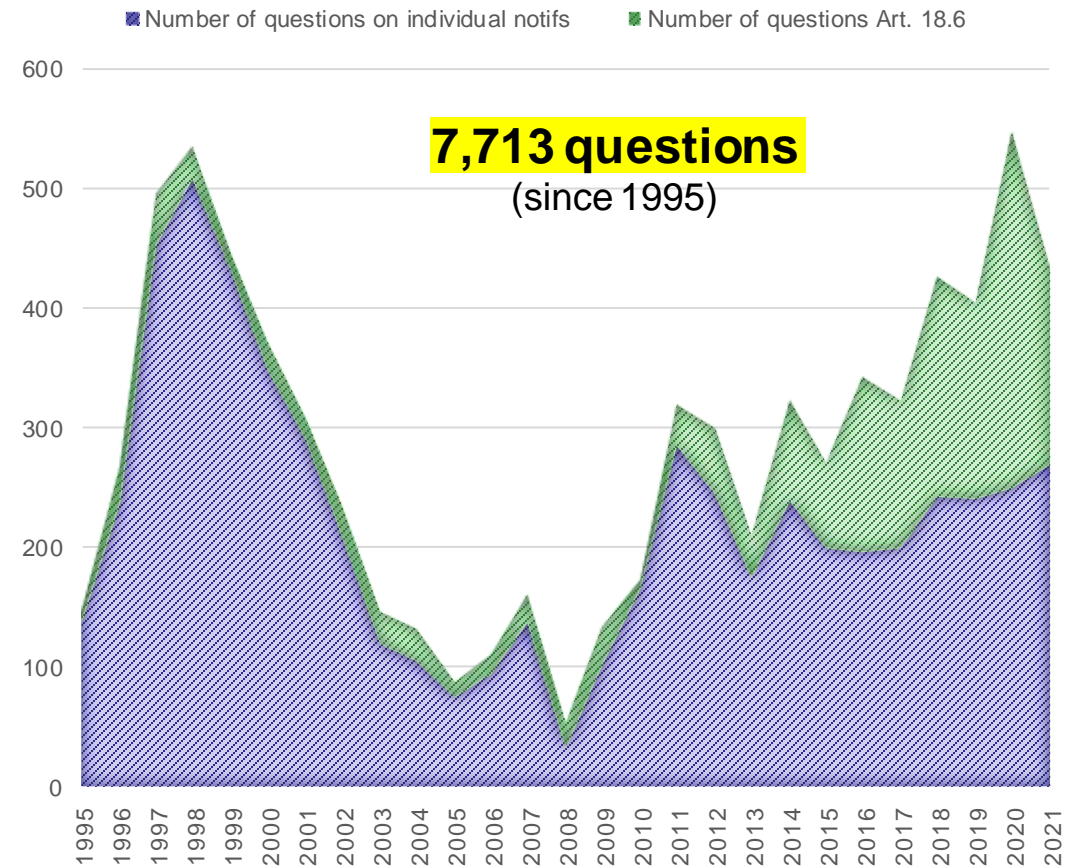
- Thousands of numerical '**annual**' commitments on **subsidies** (domestic and export) and **TRQs** in 1995;
- **1,371** TRQs; **428** Export subsidy (quantity and value) commitments; **28** 'Total AMS' numerical ceilings

Committee on Agriculture: Operational Modality

NOTIFICATIONS



Q&A (REVIEW PROCESS)



Agriculture Information Management System (AG-IMS)

On-line platform to facilitate Members' participation at the CoA:

- **On-line submission of Notifications** (secure login-enabled platform with in-built calculation features, extraction of information from Members' Schedules)
- **On-line submission of Q&A** (secure login-enabled platform with numerous inbuilt features like co-sponsoring, tracking of questions and answers)

Grand leap towards transparency: Public access to:

- Questions and Answers (Q&A) raised in the CoA since 1995
- All agriculture Notifications
- Reports on notified data (e.g., DS profiles, TRQ fill-rates)
- Members' transparency compliance levels



The screenshot shows the top section of the Ag-IMS website. It features the WTO logo on the left and the title 'Agriculture Information Management System' in the center. Below the title is a blue navigation bar with links for 'Home', 'Notifications', 'Search Notified Information', 'Review Process Q&A', and 'Contact'. Underneath the navigation bar, there is a header 'Agriculture Information Management System' followed by a dotted line. To the left is a small image of a golden field under a blue sky. To the right of the image is a welcome message: 'Welcome to Agriculture Information Management System (Ag-IMS). Ag-IMS' followed by two bullet points: 'provides access to documents and records relevant under the WTO Agreement on Agriculture. For more information on the Agreement,' and 'allows the online submission of (i) notifications and (ii) questions and answers in the context of the Review Process carried out by the CoA.'

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