



Sources of Information

Committee on Agriculture
Transparency Information Session
13 September 2016



Documents for the CoA meetings

Agriculture Information Management System (AG-IMS)

Online notification submission - Prototypes

Documents for the CoA meetings

WTO meetings calendar

- Meetings of the year, including upcoming ones
- Members' site merged with WTO public site
- Login required to view restricted documents

Agriculture Committee and documents page

- Documents related to the work of the Committee, such as CoA meeting minutes, annual reports of the CoA to the Goods Council, etc.
- Instructions on how to subscribe to receive unrestricted documents and agriculture notifications by email

Documents on line

- Documents for meetings (including past meetings)
- Tips for searching documents: search by document series (e.g. JOB/AG/*), search by document date, by Members concerned, etc.

Other sources of documents

AG-IMS

- agriculture notification search facility
- compliance with notification obligations

Members' Transparency toolkit

(https://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/agric_e/transparency_toolkit_e.htm)

- Notification formats, links to members' schedules of commitments and other aids for members' transparency work on the subject

Documentation Guide - G/AG/W/112 series

Email distribution by the Secretariat

CoA documents

- G/AG/ - including G/AG/N/Member for notifications and G/AG/R for Committee reports
- RD/AG - Restricted room documents issued by the Committee
- G/L – Annual reports to the CTG
- WTO/AIR – Airgrams



Agriculture Information Management System (AG-IMS)

What can you do with the AG-IMS?

Notifications

- Search facility
- Compliance with notification obligations
- Upcoming: online submission of agriculture notifications

Reports on notified information

- TRQ: administration of TRQs and imports under TRQs
- SSG: volume-based SSG actions, trigger prices of price-based SSG and annual SSG actions
- DS: Green Box, Blue Box, Development Programmes, Current Total AMS, Product-Specific support, Non-Product-Specific support, Consolidated DS profile
- ES: export subsidies and food aid information

Review process

- Online submission of questions and answers
- Search historic questions and answers

How to access Ag-IMS?

<http://agims.wto.org>

Or

Google “WTO AG-IMS”

or

<http://www.wto.org>

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Agriculture

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- Rules negotiations
- Balance of payments
- Customs valuation
- GATT & the Goods Council
- Goods schedules
- Import licensing
- Information Technology Agreement
- Market access for goods
- Market access negotiations
 - Quantitative restrictions
- Non-tariff measures

- Rules of origin
- Preshipment Inspection
- Safeguard measures
- Sanitary & phytosanitary measures
- State trading enterprises
- Subsidies & countervail measures
- Rules negotiations
 - Fisheries subsidies
- Tariffs
- Technical barriers to trade
- Textiles
- Trade facilitation
- Trade-Related Investment Measures (TRIMs)

Services

- Services negotiations
- Services schedules
- I-TIP services

Intellectual property

- Specific TRIPS issues

Dispute settlement

- Disputes chronologically
- Disputes by country/territory
- Disputes by agreement
- Disputes by subject
- Find disputes cases
- Dispute Settlement Body
- Dispute Settlement database
- Digital Dispute Settlement Registry (DDSR) project
- Appellate Body

Doha Development Agenda

- Subjects treated
- Trade Negotiations Committee
- Groups in the negotiations

Building trade capacity

- Aid for Trade
- Development
- ECampus
- Enhanced Integrated Framework
- Standards and Trade Development Facility (STDF)
- Technical assistance and training

Trade monitoring

- Trade monitoring reports
- Trade policy reviews

Other topics

- Accessions
- Civil aircraft
- Competition policy
- Electronic Commerce
- Environment
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- Investment
- Regional trade agreements
- Regional trade agreements
 - Preferential trade agreements
- Trade finance

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WTO website survey (Password:
Geneva2015)

wto.org/english/tratop_e/agric_e/agric_e.htm



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Agriculture

The WTO's Agriculture Agreement was negotiated in the 1986-94 Uruguay Round and is a significant first step towards fairer competition and a less distorted sector. WTO member governments agreed to improve market access and reduce trade-distorting subsidies in agriculture. In general, these commitments were phased in over a six years from 1995 (10 years for developing countries). The **Agriculture Committee** oversees the agreement's implementation.

> **Agriculture Information Management System**

a database of WTO information on agriculture, including notified information and questions and answers in the committee

Meanwhile, members also agreed to continue the reform. Further talks, which are separate from the committee's regular work, began in 2000. They were included in the broader negotiating agenda set at the 2001 Ministerial Conference in Doha, Qatar.

See also:

> **Negotiations, implementation and development: the Doha agenda**

> **The agriculture negotiations**

> **The Cotton Sub-Committee**

> **Hong Kong Ministerial Declaration**

Search notification – Example and tips

Example: Search SSG notifications issued in 2016

Clear selection View Data >>

Document Symbol

Issue Date
From To

Members

Available Items		Selected Items
Afghanistan		
Albania		
Angola		
Antigua and Barbuda	>	
Argentina	>>	
Armenia		
Australia	<	
Bahrain, Kingdom of	<<	
Bangladesh		
Barbados		
Belize		
Benin		
Bolivia, Plurinational Sta		
Belize		

Implementation Years

Available Items		Selected Items
1995		
1996		
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1998		
1999	>	
2000	>>	
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2002	<	
2003	<<	
2004		
2005		
2006		
2007		
2008		

Notification Formats

Available Items		Selected Items
MA:1 - TQ administration		MA:3 - Volume-based SSG
MA:2 - Imports under TQs		MA:4 - Price-based SSG
DS:1 - Current total AMS		MA:5 - Annual summary of S
DS:2 - New or modified me	>	

Tips:

- Possible to search by multiple criteria
- If no selection is defined, the system will take all options


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Search notification – Example and tips

Example: Search SSG notifications issued in 2016 - continued

You may open the notification by clicking on the desired language version.

<< Change selection criteria

	Language	Member Name	Document Symbol	Notification format	Implementation Year	Reporting Period	Issue Date	Export to 
1	EN FR SP	Australia	G/AG/N/AUS/101	MA:3	2014, 2015	CY 2014, CY 2015	18-May-2016	
2	EN FR SP	Botswana	G/AG/N/BWA/24	MA:5	2014	FY 2014/2015	06-Jan-2016	
3	EN FR SP	Canada	G/AG/N/CAN/110	MA:5	2014, 2015	CY 2015, MY 2014/2015	26-May-2016	
4	EN FR SP	Chinese Taipei	G/AG/N/TPKM/128	MA:3			13-Jan-2016	
5	EN FR SP	Chinese Taipei	G/AG/N/TPKM/129	MA:3			13-Jan-2016	
6	EN FR SP	Chinese Taipei	G/AG/N/TPKM/130	MA:3			13-Jan-2016	
7	EN FR SP	Chinese Taipei	G/AG/N/TPKM/131	MA:3			27-Jan-2016	
8	EN FR SP	Chinese Taipei	G/AG/N/TPKM/133	MA:3			16-Mar-2016	
9	EN FR SP	Chinese Taipei	G/AG/N/TPKM/134	MA:5	2015	FY 2015	21-Mar-2016	
10	EN FR SP	Chinese Taipei	G/AG/N/TPKM/136	MA:3			13-Jun-2016	

Tip: Download the notification by clicking on the language symbol

Tip: click on the column heading to sort the list

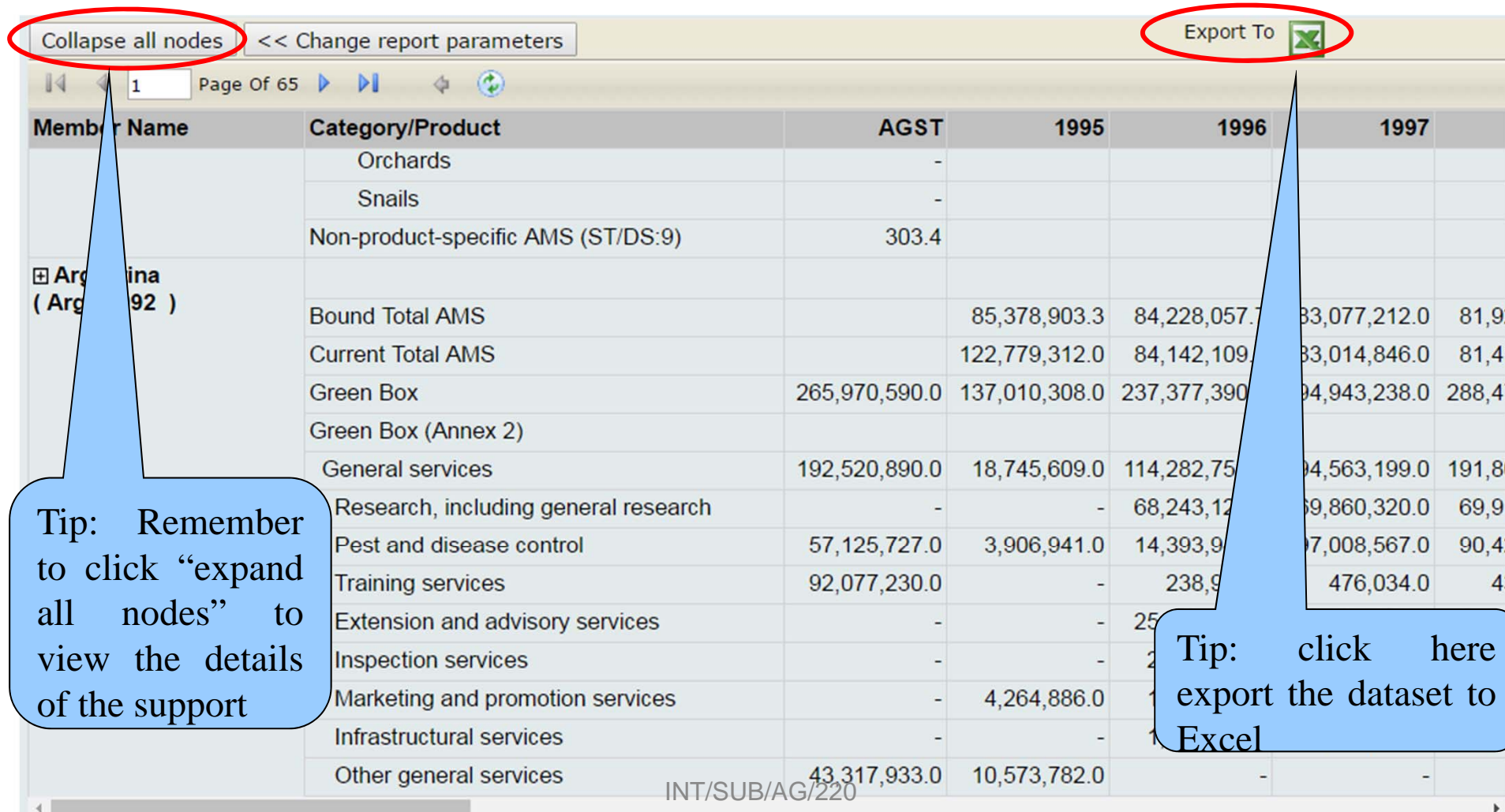
Tip: click here to export the list to Excel

Search notified information – Example and tips

Example: Download report on consolidated domestic profile


Search and Analyse Notified Information → Domestic Support

→ Consolidated Domestic Support Profiles : View Data



Tip: Remember to click “expand all nodes” to view the details of the support

Tip: click here export the dataset to Excel

Collapse all nodes << Change report parameters		Export To 				
Member Name	Category/Product	AGST	1995	1996	1997	
Argentina (Arg 92)	Orchards	-				
	Snails	-				
	Non-product-specific AMS (ST/DS:9)	303.4				
	Bound Total AMS		85,378,903.3	84,228,057.7	83,077,212.0	81,900,000.0
	Current Total AMS		122,779,312.0	84,142,109.0	83,014,846.0	81,400,000.0
	Green Box	265,970,590.0	137,010,308.0	237,377,390.0	94,943,238.0	288,400,000.0
	Green Box (Annex 2)					
	General services	192,520,890.0	18,745,609.0	114,282,750.0	94,563,199.0	191,800,000.0
	Research, including general research	-	-	68,243,120.0	69,860,320.0	69,900,000.0
	Pest and disease control	57,125,727.0	3,906,941.0	14,393,900.0	17,008,567.0	90,400,000.0
	Training services	92,077,230.0	-	238,900.0	476,034.0	400,000.0
	Extension and advisory services	-	-	250,000.0		
	Inspection services	-	-	200,000.0		
	Marketing and promotion services	-	4,264,886.0	1,000,000.0		
	Infrastructural services	-	-	1,000,000.0		
	Other general services	43,317,933.0	10,573,782.0	-	-	

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Search historic Q&A – Example and tips

Example: Search questions raised under Article 18.6 in 2016

Search interface showing filters and results:

- ID:
- Notification number:
- Date From:
- Date To:
- Meeting number: ☐ 76, ☐ 77, ☐ 78, ☐ 79, ☐ 80, ☐ 81
- Question by: ☐ Afghanistan, ☐ Albania, ☐ Angola, ☐ Antigua and Barbuda, ☐ Argentina, ☐ Armenia
- Answer by: ☐ Afghanistan, ☐ Albania, ☐ Angola, ☐ Antigua and Barbuda, ☐ Argentina, ☐ Armenia
- Clear search criteria (circled in red)
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- ☒ I. MATTERS RELEVANT TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMITMENTS UNDER THE REFORM PROGRAMME: ARTICLE 18.6

Search historic Q&A – Example and tips

Example: Search questions raised under Article 18.6 in 2016 - continued

Date From: 01-Jan-2016
 Selection Criteria: Date To: 07-Sep-2016
 Section: I. MATTERS RELEVANT TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMITMENTS

☒ Chronological descending order
☐ Meeting Agenda Order

67 record(s) found matching the search criteria.



Tip: Click on the Word symbol to view details of selected Q&As. Click on the Excel symbol to download this list

Select All	ID	CoA Meeting Number	COA Meeting Date	Question by	Answer by	Section	Notification Format	Question Summary	Keywords	Products	Reference	Document symbol
<input type="checkbox"/>	80001	80	07/06/2016	Norway	Canada	I. Article 18.6		Canada's tariff-rate quota for cheese	Country-specific allocation	Cheese	I. Article 18.6	
<input type="checkbox"/>	80002	80	07/06/2016	Switzerland	Canada	I. Article 18.6		Canada's tariff-rate quota for cheese	Country-specific allocation	Cheese	I. Article 18.6	
<input type="checkbox"/>	80003	80	07/06/2016	Australia	Canada	I. Article 18.6		Canada's Milk Ingredient Class				
<input type="checkbox"/>	80004	80	07/06/2016	New Zealand	Canada	I. Article 18.6		Canada's compositional standard for cheese	SPS and TBT	powders, Butter, Cheese, Other	I. Article 18.6	
<input type="checkbox"/>	80005	80	07/06/2016	New Zealand	Canada	I. Article 18.6		Canada's New Milk Ingredient Class		Dairy, Milk, Milk powders, Butter, Cheese, Other	I. Article 18.6	
<input type="checkbox"/>	80006	80	07/06/2016	New Zealand	Canada	I. Article 18.6		Canada's New Milk Ingredient Class	Government involvement	Milk	I. Article 18.6	
<input type="checkbox"/>	80007	80	07/06/2016	New Zealand	Canada	I. Article 18.6		Canada's tariff-rate quota for cheese	Country-specific allocation	Cheese	I. Article 18.6	
<input type="checkbox"/>	80008	80	07/06/2016	New Zealand	Canada	I. Article 18.6		Canada's wine			I. Article 18.6	

Tip: click on question ID to view detail of the Q&A

Overview - Online submission system

- Two possibilities: web form or Excel template
- Submission goes directly to Central Registry of Notifications (CRN)
- Login credentials required
- Data from notifications will be fed into the AG-IMS database
- Launch of system aimed at end of 2016 to beginning of 2017
- Pilot groups

Online notification submission - Prototypes

Notification » Online Submission

Welcome to Agriculture Information Management System (Ag-IMS).

Submitting a notification:

» Download MS Office templates, fill in offline and upload

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Upload



» Fill in the online form



If you submit a notification through the Ag-IMS, please refrain from submitting this information through

Prototype – Table MA:2

► Communication by the notifying Member (Optional)

Implementation Year

2013

Reporting Year Type

--Select--



From

To

▼ Table MA:2

If scheduled TRQ



- not opened (i.e. applied tariff equal to or less than the in-quota bound tariff), check the appropriate box below. You may indicate the total import quantity in the "Note" field
- eliminated, indicate it in the "Note" field.
- aggregated and administered jointly, indicate it in the "Note" field.

From Section I-B (or I-A) of part I of the Schedule (From CTS)

TQID	Description Of Products	Tariff item number(s) encompassed in product description	Unit	Initial Quantity
USAQ001	Beef	02011010, 02012010, 02012030, 02012050, 02013010, 02013030, 02013050, 02021010, 02022010, 02022030, 02022050, 02023010, 02023030, 02023050	metric tons	656621
USAQ002	Milk and cream, fluid or frozen, fresh or sour, containing over 6 percent but not over 45 percent by weight of butterfat	04013005, 04039004	liters	5727940

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Prototype – Table MA:2 (continued)

Implementation Year		2013			
Reporting Year Type		--Select--	▼	From	To
▼ Table MA:2					
<p>If scheduled TRQ</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • not opened (i.e. applied tariff equal to or less than the in-quota bound tariff), check the appropriate box below. You may indicate the total import quantity in the "Note" field. • eliminated, indicate it in the "Note" field. • aggregated and administered jointly, indicate it in the "Note" field. 					
		3	4	5	
	Classified in	Tariff quota quantity for period	In-quota imports during period	Fill rate ((4 / 3) * 100)%	Note
TQID					
USAQ001		<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		<div></div>
USAQ002		<input type="text"/>	INT/SUB/AG/220		<div></div>

Prototype – Supporting Table DS:1

DS:1	ST/DS:1	ST/DS:2	ST/DS:3	ST/DS:4	ST/DS:5	ST/DS:6	ST/DS:7	ST/DS:8	ST/DS:9	
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Supporting Table DS:1 - DOMESTIC SUPPORT - Measures Exempt from the Reduction Commitment – "Green Box"

Implementation Year

2005

Reporting Year Type

Calendar Year

From

01-01-2005

To

31-12-2005

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	1	2	3
	Measure Type	Name and description of measure with reference to criteria in Annex 2	Monetary value in INR
2.General Services			
^ 2 (a). Research	+		Subtotal:
2 (b). Pest and disease control	+		
2 (c). Training services	+		
2 (d). Extension and advisory services	+		
2 (e). Inspection services	+		
2 (f). Marketing and promotion services	+		
2 (g). Infrastructural services	+		

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Prototype – Supporting Table DS:4


► Communication by the notifying Member (Optional)

DS:1 ST/DS:1 ST/DS:2 ST/DS:3 **ST/DS:4** ST/DS:5 ST/DS:6 ST/DS:7 ST/DS:8 ST/DS:9

Supporting Table DS:4 - DOMESTIC SUPPORT - Calculation of the Current Total Aggregate Measurement of Support

Implementation Year

Reporting Year Type **From** **To**

Currency 

1	2	3				4
Description of basic products (including non-product-specific AMS)	Product-specific AMS (from ST/DS:5 to ST/DS:7)	Product-specific EMS (from ST/DS:8)	Total (2 + 3)	Value of Production	Support as a % of value of production	Current Tot
	INR,ten	INR,ten	INR,ten	INR,ten		INR,te
Apple	93.2		93.2			<input type="button" value="Calculate"/>
<div> <div>< ></div> <div>< ></div> </div>						
Non-product-specific AMS (from ST/DS:9)				<input type="text"/>		<input type="button" value="Calculate"/> <input type="text"/>
TOTAL: Current Total AMS						

► General Note (Optional) INT/SUB/AG/220

Online submission system - Highlights

- Scheduled information from the CTS database
- Automatic calculation for fill rates, *de minimis*, etc.
- Flow of information from supporting tables to master tables
- Time saving, calculation mistakes controlled

etc...



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Search Q&A Submitted Since 1995

Welcome to Agriculture Information Management System (Ag-IMS).

Ag-IMS provides access to documents and records relevant under the WTO Agreement on Agriculture. For more information on the Agreement on Agriculture, please click [here](#).

The system allows users to search and analyse (i) agriculture-related information notified by the Members and (ii) questions raised and responses provided in the context of the Review Process carried out by the Committee on Agriculture.

The Ag-IMS also enables the submission of questions and answers in the context of the Review Process.

Please select the desired option from the left menu to continue.

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