

18th Dedicated Discussion of the Relevant Trade-Related Developments for Cotton

**Background Paper by the Secretariat (TN/AG/GEN/34/Rev.17 -
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Summary of updates in Background Paper by the Secretariat

(Cut-off date of information included: 3 October 2022)

Main Document

1. Updated info from ES notifications

- [US 2021](#)

2. Updated info from DS notifications

- [Argentina 2018, 2019, 2020](#)
- [EU 2019](#)
- [Mexico 2020](#)

3. Market Access

Updated info from TRQ notifications

- [China 2021](#)
- [US 2021](#)

Updated data on imports, tariffs and NTMs

Addendum 1

Annex 4 – 11 replies to 31 August 2022 questionnaire received from (all are “nil” replies):

Australia; Brazil; Cambodia; Costa Rica; European Union; Hongkong, China; Macau, China; New Zealand; Pakistan; Thailand; and United States

Annex 5 - Updates on TPR reports:

Mexico

Addendum 2

Market Access information for cotton-related products listed in the annex to the Nairobi Decision

- Updated tariff data
- Updated NTM



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Export Subsidies

- ❑ 4 Members with export subsidy reduction commitments for cotton resulting from the Uruguay Round
- ❑ Pursuant to the Nairobi Decision: revised certified schedules on Export Competition for all the 4 Members

Streamlining of the Export Subsidies section in future revisions of the background paper

Domestic support

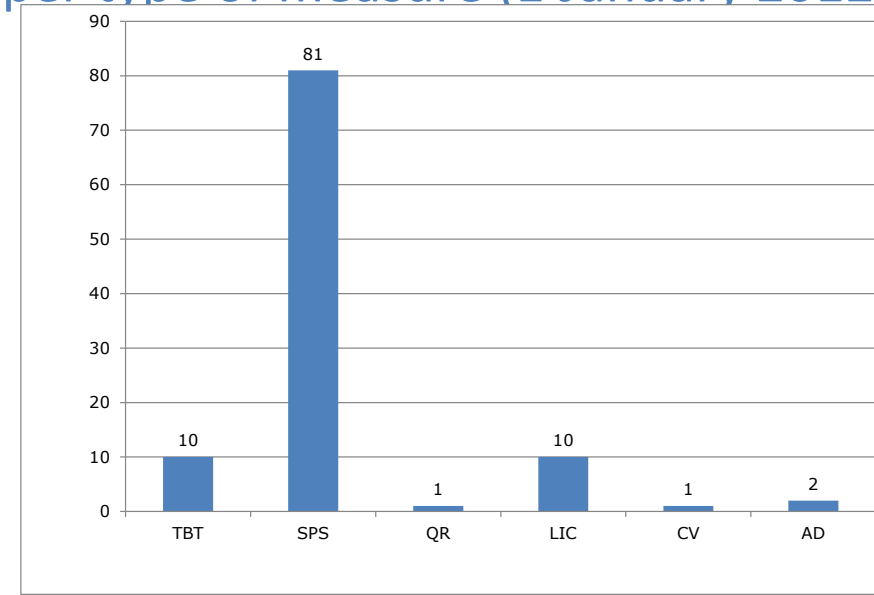
- ❑ Cotton-specific Amber Box support: 14 Members
- ❑ Cotton-specific Blue Box support: 2 Members (1 since 1996)



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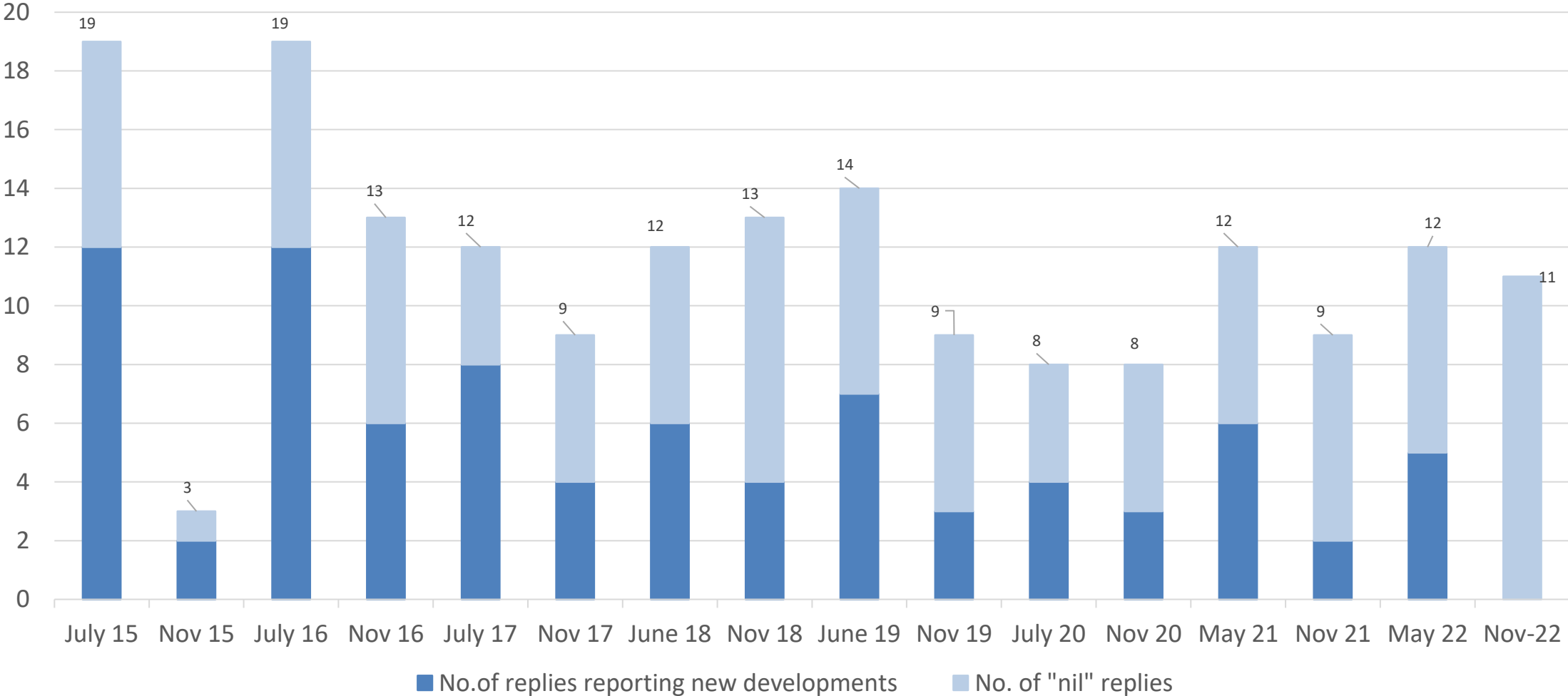
Market Access:

- ❑ **Applied tariffs** notified to IDB: 2022 (15 Members), 2021 (11 Members), 2020 (3 Members), 2019 (1 Member), 2018 (3 Members); 16 Members reported LDC preferential duties for cotton products
- ❑ Scheduled **SSG** provisions for cotton: 3 Members. Invoked by 1 Member (last applied 2007)
- ❑ 11 Scheduled **TRQs** on cotton by 4 Members.
- ❑ Number of **other non-tariff measures** applicable to cotton, per type of measure (1 January 2012 to 3 October 2022)



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Replies to the Secretariat Questionnaire



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Replies to the Secretariat questionnaire:

- A total of 35 Members have responded
- 21 Members reported new developments on cotton policies

