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SUMMARY OF NOTIFIED EXPORT RESTRICTIONS AND TRADE FACILITATING MEASURES RELATING TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

REPORT BY THE SECRETARIAT[1]

Revision

1 INTRODUCTION

1. At its meeting of 29 and 30 April 2021, the Committee requested the Secretariat to prepare a revision of the report "Summary of notified export restrictions and trade facilitating measures relating to the COVID-19 Pandemic", which summarizes the factual information contained in the notifications and other communications that have been submitted by Members to the Committee on Market Access in respect of trade-related measures introduced in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

2. As agreed at that meeting[2], the revised report also incorporates trade and trade-related measures in relation to COVID-19 that have been compiled by the WTO's Trade Monitoring Exercise. As a result, this document seeks to compile and summarize the relevant information on export prohibitions and restrictions that have been notified by Members under the 2012 Decision on Notification Procedures for Quantitative Restrictions[3] (QR Decision), the communications notified by Members to the Committee with information on trade-facilitating measures, as well as other measures by WTO Members collected as part of the WTO's Trade Monitoring Exercise and listed in the "*COVID-19: Measures affecting trade in goods*"[3]. The revised report takes account of all available information as of 5 October 2021. Annexes 1 and 2 provide an overview of the main elements in the export restrictions and prohibitions and the trade facilitating measures, respectively. In addition, the complete list of notifications and communications to the Committee that have been analyzed in this report is contained in document G/MA/W/157/Rev.3.

2 EXPORT PROHIBITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS

3. As of 4 October 2021, a total of 77 measures that prohibit or restrict exports as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic have been adopted by Members. Of these, 60 measures have been notified by 34 Members[4] to the Committee on Market Access. According to the Trade Monitoring Exercise, 17 additional measures have been introduced by 11 Members. To the date of this report, these measures have not been notified under the QR Decision. Annex 1 provides an overview of the various elements of such export prohibitions and restrictions. With a view to facilitating the analysis of these measures and to allow for their comparison, some elements were standardized (e.g. the type of measure, covered products, WTO justification, etc.). For the purpose of this report, a measure is counted individually whenever it can be clearly distinguished from another measure (e.g., if there are two clearly separate national legal instruments). Any extension, modification or termination of the original measure has not been accounted for as a new measure. QR notifications have a structured format and hence information coming from them is comparable in most cases. This is slightly less so in the case of information from the Trade Monitoring Exercise and hence the definition

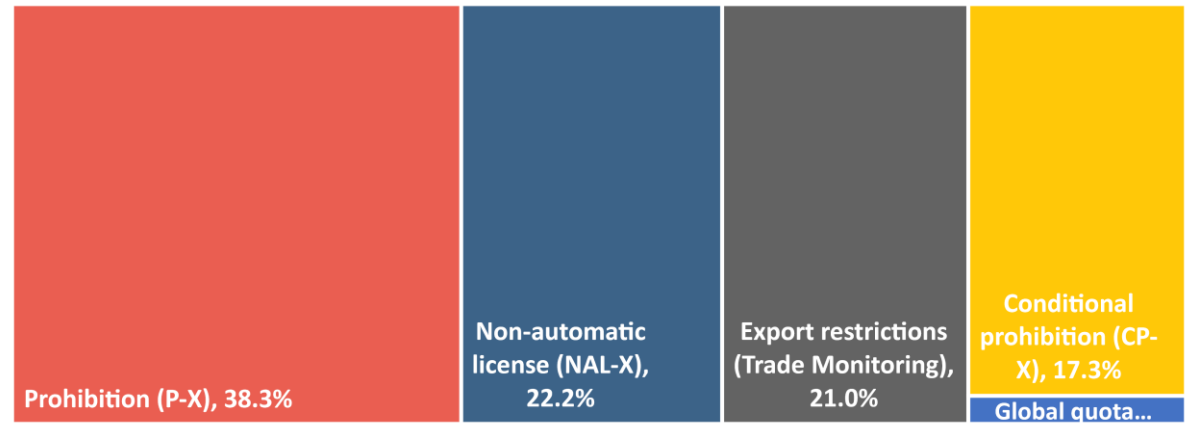
[1] This document has been prepared under the Secretariat's own responsibility and is without prejudice to the positions of Members or to their rights and obligations under the WTO Agreement.
[2] G/MA/M/74, paras. 5.31 and 5.32.
[3] G/L/59/Rev.1.
[4] Counting the European Union as one.

of measures coming from that source might vary in terms of their scope as well as information on modifications and extensions.

2.1 Types of measures

4. The majority of the 77 export restrictive measures that have been introduced by Members in response to COVID-19 have taken the form of full bans and prohibitions (38.3%), followed by export restrictions in the form of non-automatic export licenses (22.2%) and conditional prohibitions (17.3%). Export restrictions mentioned in the context of the Trade Monitoring Exercise, for which it is not possible to specify the exact nature of the measure, account for 21% of total measures. One measure takes the form of a global quota on exports. See Chart 1.

Chart 1 Export Prohibitions or Restrictions in Response to COVID-19, by Type of Measure (Percentage)

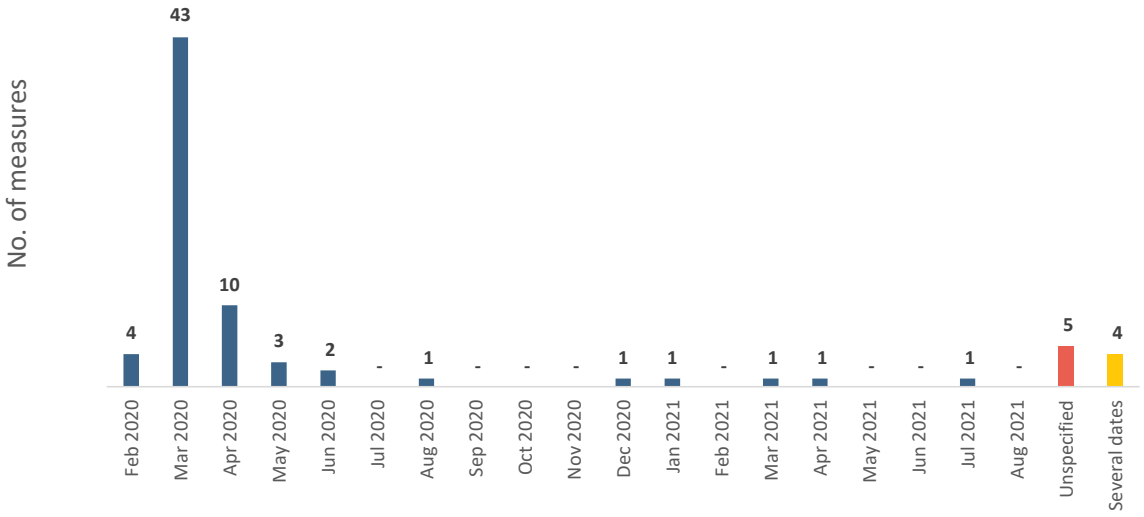


Source: WTO Secretariat.

2.2 Timeline of date of introduction of the measures

5. The vast majority of measures prohibiting and restricting export have been introduced by Members between February and April 2020 (57 out of 77 measures). This period coincides with the declaration of a pandemic by the World Health Organization (11 March 2020) and the consequent lockdowns and other health measures imposed by Members in response to COVID-19. It would appear that only six export restricting measures were introduced since July 2020. Nine measures either do not contain information on entry into force or have several dates on when the measures began. See Chart 2.

Chart 2 Export Prohibitions or Restrictions in Response to COVID-19, Timeline of Date of Introduction of the Measures

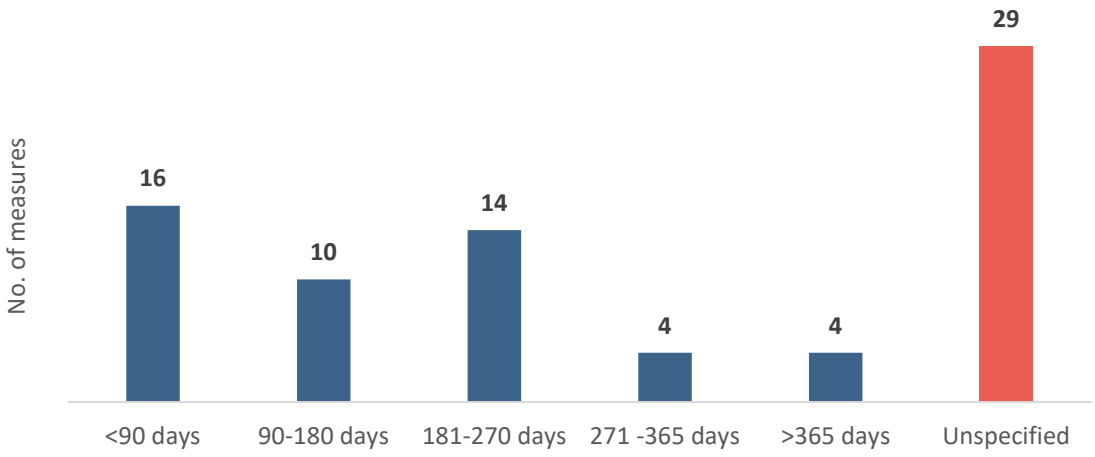


Source: WTO Secretariat.

2.3 Duration of measures

6. A large proportion of the export restricting measures that have been adopted by Members do not provide complete information on their duration. Of the 77 measures in the dataset, 29 have no indication of the planned duration or the concerned Member has not submitted a subsequent communication confirming that the measure had expired or had been terminated. For the 48 measures where information is available, the majority of the restrictions were in place for less than 90 days (i.e. less than 3 months), followed by 14 measures that were in place for in between 181 and 270 days. See Chart 3.

Chart 3 Export Prohibitions or Restrictions in Response to COVID-19, By Duration of the Measures



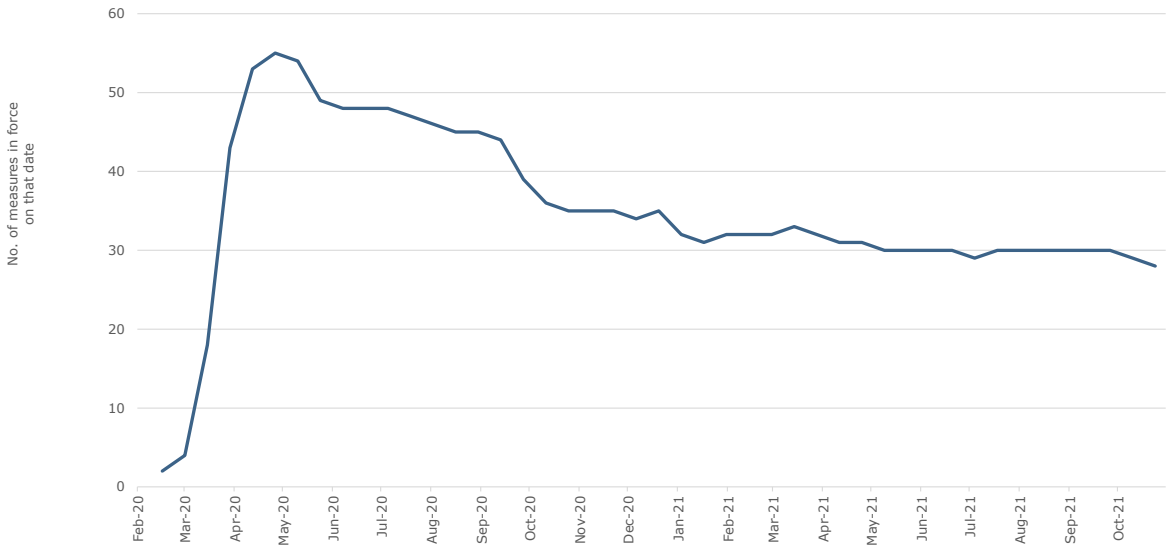
Source: WTO Secretariat.

2.4 Timeline of number of measures in force, by date

7. Based on information on the date of introduction of the measures (Section 2.2) and their duration (Section 2.3), it is possible to track the number of measures that were in force for a particular date and their evolution. Available information suggests that, at the peak of the pandemic at the end of April 2020, 55 export restricting measures by 37 WTO Members were in place, which

was followed by a steady reduction. As of October 2021, one and a half years after the peak was reached, 29 export restricting measures by 19 WTO Members appear to continue to be in force. See Chart 4.

Chart 4 Export Prohibitions or Restrictions in Response to COVID-19, Current Status of the Measures

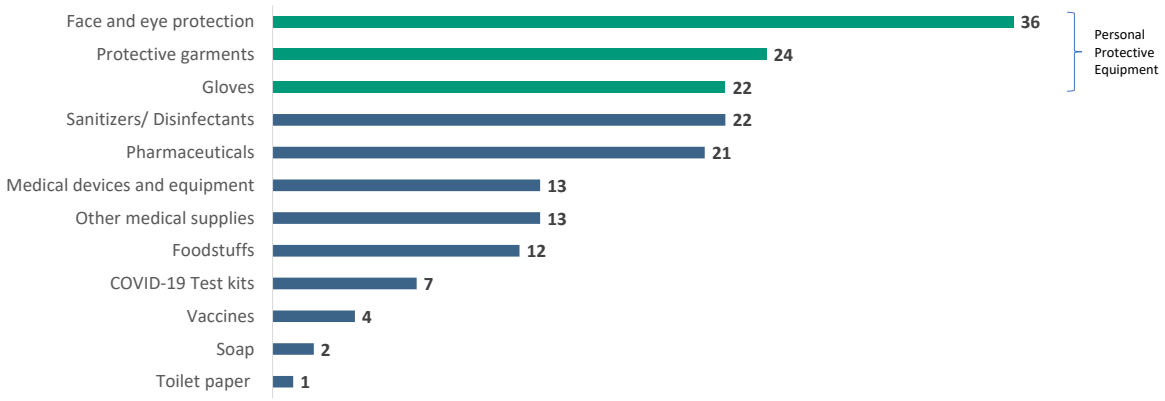


Source: WTO Secretariat.

2.5 Covered products

8. The majority of measures prohibited or restricted the exportation of the so-called Personal Protective Equipment (PPEs), which includes face and eye protection devices (36 measures), protective garments (24 measures) and gloves (22 measures). Other restricted products included sanitizers and disinfectants, such as alcohol (22 measures), pharmaceutical products (21 measures), medical equipment, including mechanical respirators (13 measures), different types of medical supplies (13 measures), and other products. See Chart 5.

Chart 5 Export Prohibitions or Restrictions in Response to COVID-19, By Covered Products

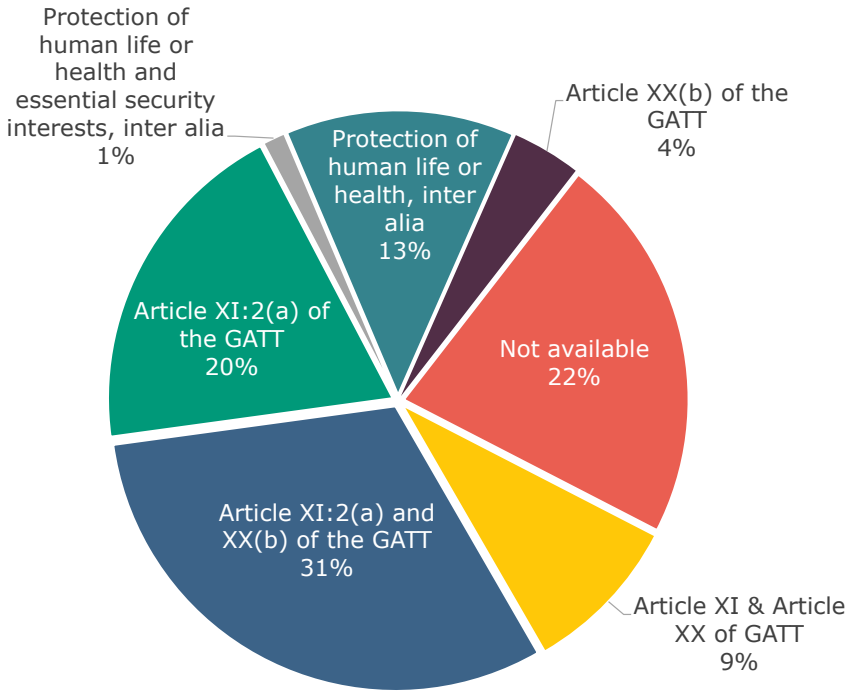


Source: WTO Secretariat.

2.6 WTO justifications cited

9. For export restrictions and prohibitions that have been notified under the QR Decision, Members have provided information regarding their justification under WTO rules. The introduction of almost half of the 60 notified QR measures have been justified by Members citing both Article XI:2(a) and Article XX(b) of the GATT 1994, which relate to export prohibitions or restrictions temporarily applied to prevent or relieve critical shortages of foodstuffs or other products essential to the exporting party, and measures necessary to protect human, plant or animal health, respectively. Members cited exclusively Article XI:2(a) of the GATT 1994 for 20% of the measures. Other policy objectives, such as the protection of human life or health or the protection of essential security interests without the reference to a specific WTO provision, or no justification at all was given for the remaining cases. No information in this respect is available for the 17 measures taken from the Trade Monitoring Exercise. See Chart 6.

Chart 6 Export Prohibitions or Restrictions in Response to COVID-19, By WTO Justification Cited

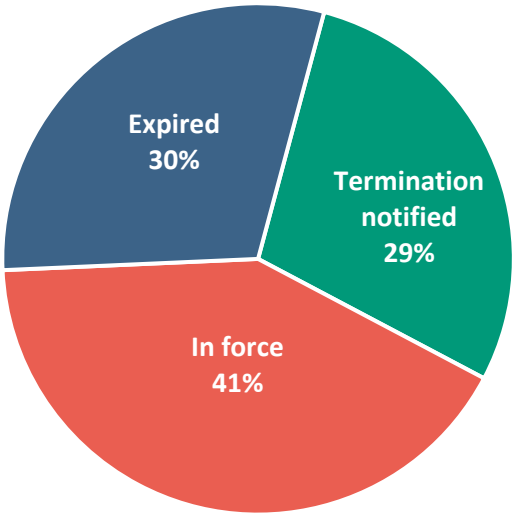


Source: WTO Secretariat.

2.7 Current status of the measures

10. Based on information available, it would appear that almost half of the export prohibitions and restrictions (41%), both notified as QRs and those in the Trade Monitoring Exercise, continue to be in force by 4 October 2021. The remaining measures seem to have expired as initially indicated (30%) or the Member submitted a notification informing other Members that the measure had been terminated (29%). See Chart 7.

Chart 7 Export Prohibitions or Restrictions in Response to COVID-19, Current Status of the Measures



Source: WTO Secretariat.

3 OVERVIEW OF COMMUNICATIONS WITH TRADE FACILITATING MEASURES

11. Annex 2 of this report provides a summary of the contents of all communications with trade facilitating measures introduced by Members in response to COVID-19 that have been submitted to the Committee on Market Access, as well as the trade facilitating measures collected in the context of the Trade Monitoring Exercise. Unlike the export prohibitions and restrictions described in Section 2, which were submitted pursuant to the notification requirement under the QR Decision, these communications have been submitted voluntarily by Members for transparency.

12. As of 4 October 2021, a total of 23 communications with 36 trade facilitating measures have been notified to the Committee on Market Access by 12 Members. With a view to facilitating the analysis and where the information available allows, some of the elements contained in the communications have been standardized for the purpose of comparison (e.g. the types of measures). Additional information compiled by the Secretariat in the context of the Trade Monitoring Exercise[5] contains another 129 trade facilitating measures. Of these, 19 measures have been notified to other WTO committees, such as the Trade Facilitation Committee (14 measures), the Committee on Anti-Dumping Practices (two measures), the Committee on Import Licensing (one measure) and the Technical Barriers to Trade Committee (one measure).

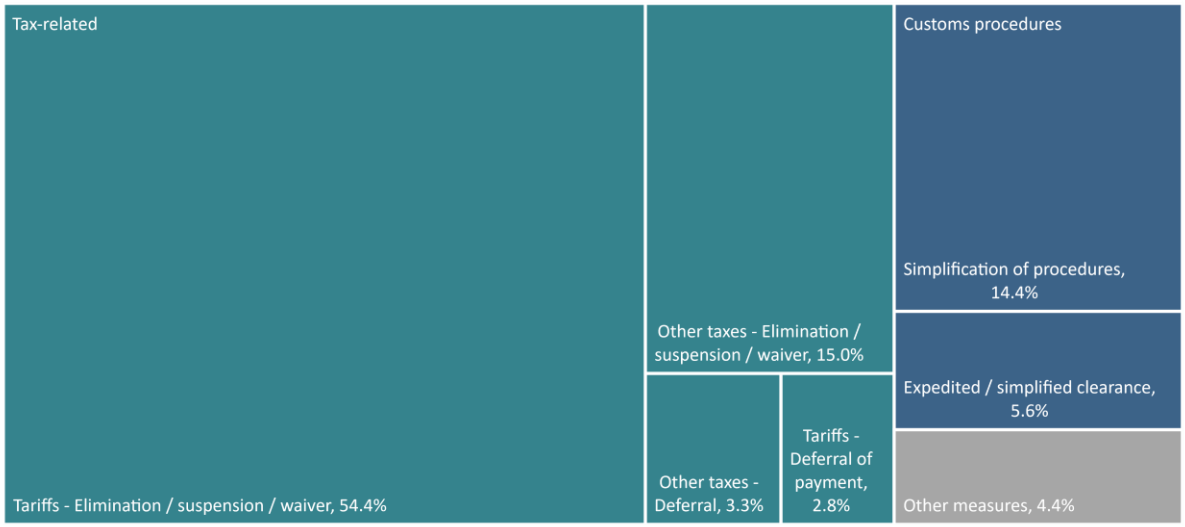
3.1 Types of measures

13. Accounting for slightly more than three quarters of the trade facilitating measures, are tax-related measures that sought to reduce the price of critical imports, thereby increasing their affordability and availability. For example, more than 50% of these measures eliminated, suspended or waived the payment of customs duties (tariffs) on the importation of products that were considered to be "essential" to combat the COVID-19 pandemic (53.8%). In addition, several Members eliminated, suspended, or waived the payment of other taxes and/or duties, such as the value added tax, on these "essential" products (14.8%). With a view to providing liquidity to importers, some Members also decided to defer the payment of tariffs and other taxes on all imported products (3.9% of the measures).

[5] The COVID-19 section of the WTO webpage includes a sub-section entitled "COVID-19: Measures affecting trade in goods". See https://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/covid19_e/trade_related_goods_measure_e.htm.

14. Beyond the tax-related measures, approximately 20% of the trade facilitating measures sought to simplify or ease customs procedures, for example through the introduction of simplified or expedited customs clearance procedures (5.5%), e.g. the establishment of green channels to prioritize the importation of critical products, and the simplification or elimination of certain procedures (14.3%). Finally, approximately 4.4% of the measures would fall under other categories, such as the establishment of special procedures for the importation of donations (relief goods) or the commitment to refrain from imposing export prohibitions or restrictions on "essential" goods. See Chart 8.

Chart 8 COVID-19 Trade Facilitating Measures, by types of measures

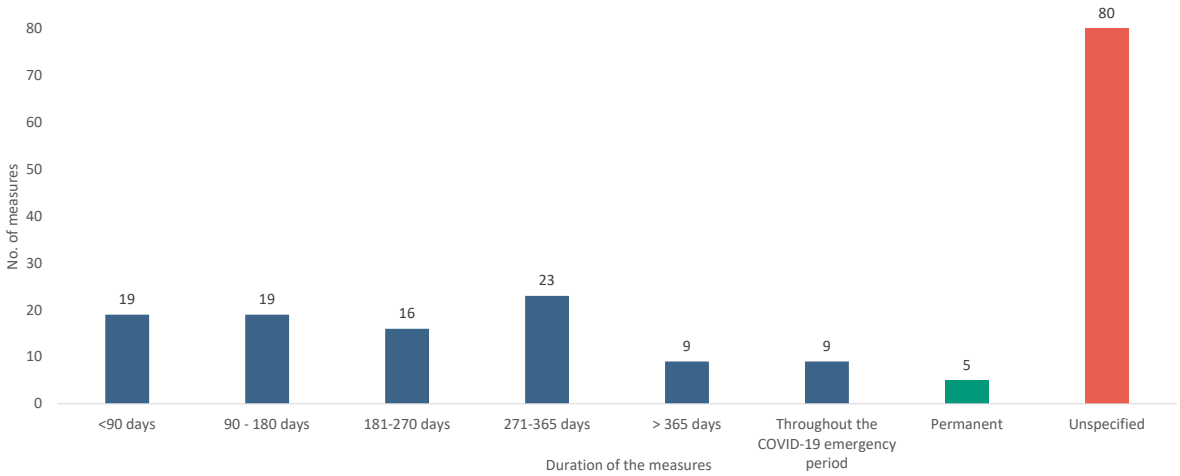


Source: WTO Secretariat.

3.2 Duration of measures

15. The majority of trade facilitating measures seem to be temporary in nature; however, in 80 cases information on the intended duration of the measure is either incomplete or unavailable. For those measures where Members did provide information, the majority seem to have been in place between 180 and 365 days (i.e. between six months and one year), followed by measures that lasted up two six months and some measures with a longer duration. The measure with the shortest duration was in place for only nine days, while the one with the longest duration is expected to be in place for 987 days. It is also worth mentioning that some of the measures were described as "permanent" trade facilitating measures to promote trade in "essential" products to combat the COVID-19 pandemic. See Chart 9.

Chart 9 COVID-19 Trade Facilitating Measures, by duration of measures

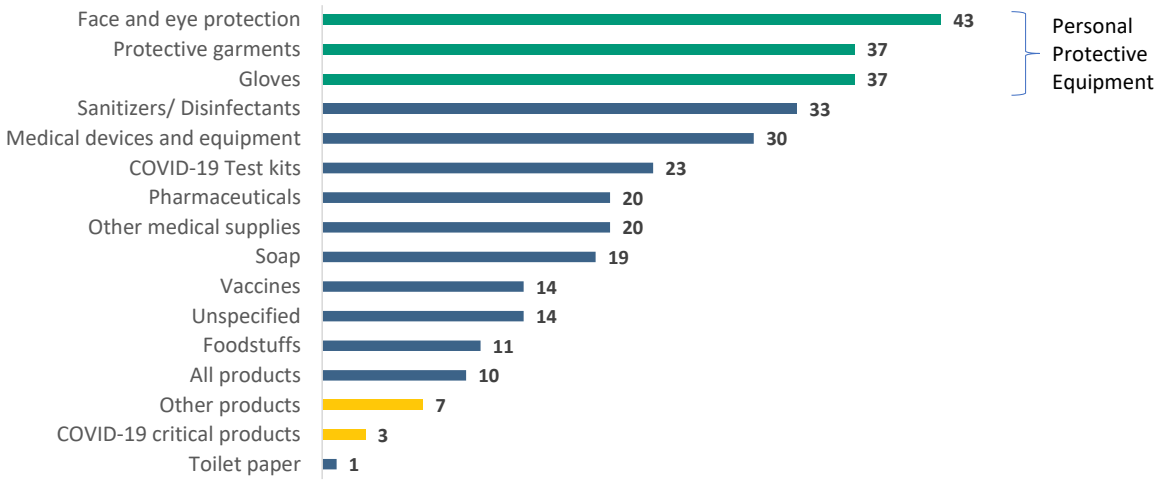


Source: WTO Secretariat.

3.3 Covered products

16. The main categories of products covered by the trade facilitating measures appear to be similar in nature to those products that were subject to the export prohibitions and restrictions analysed in Section 2. Forty-three Members adopted measures to simplify the importation of PPE, which includes the categories of face and eye protection (e.g. facemasks, face shields and protective goggles), protective garments, and gloves. They are followed by measures relating to different types of sanitizers and disinfectants, including different types of alcohol used in the preparation of these products. See Chart 10.

Chart 10 COVID-19 Trade Facilitating Measures, by types of products (No. of Members)

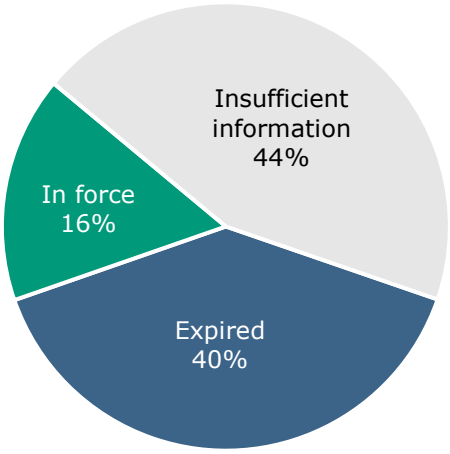


Source: WTO Secretariat.

3.4 Current status

17. Based on information available, 40% of the trade facilitating measures seem to have expired and 16% of them remain in force as of the date of this report. However, there is no information on the current status for almost 50% of the measures of the analysis. See Chart 11.

Chart 11 COVID-19 Trade Facilitating Measures, by current status of the measures



Source: WTO Secretariat.

ANNEX 1
EXPORT PROHIBITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS RELATING TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC[1]

Member	Measure type	First introduced on (date)	Duration (days)	Covered products	Justification cited	Notification of extension/ modification	Current status[2]
Albania	CP-X	08.03.2020	Unspecified	– Face and eye protection – Medical devices and equipment – Pharmaceuticals – Toilet paper – Other medical supplies	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	-	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/ALB/1/Add.1: QR 1
Argentina	NAL-X	28.03.2020	Unspecified	– Face and eye protection – Gloves – Protective garments – Sanitizers/ Disinfectants – Other medical supplies	Article XI:2(a) of the GATT	-	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/ARG/2: QR 19
	NAL-X	20.03.2020	132	– Medical devices and equipment	Article XI:2(a) of the GATT	-	Terminated according to: G/MA/QR/N/ARG/2: QR 19
Australia	CP-X	18.03.2020	256	– Face and eye protection – Gloves – Protective garments – Sanitizers/ Disinfectants	Article XI:2(a) of the GATT	Extension notified: G/MA/QR/N/AUS/4/Add.1 G/MA/QR/N/AUS/4/Add.2	Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/AUS/4/Add.3: QR 1
Bahrain, Kingdom of	P-X, NAL-X	25.02.2020	406	– Face and eye protection	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	-	Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/BHR/1/Rev.1/Add.2
Bangladesh	P-X	12.03.2020	21	– Face and eye protection – Sanitizers/ Disinfectants	Article XI:2(a) of the GATT	-	Expired according to: G/MA/QR/N/BGD/1: QR 1-2
Brazil	CP-X	24.04.2020	Unspecified	– Face and eye protection – Gloves – Medical devices and equipment – Protective garments – Other medical supplies	Article XI:2(a) of the GATT	Modification notified: G/MA/QR/N/BRA/2/Add/2	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/BRA/2/Add.2: QR 1
	NAL-X	18.03.2020	Unspecified	– COVID-19 Test kits – Sanitizers/ Disinfectants – Other medical supplies	Article XI:2(a) of the GATT	Modification notified: G/MA/QR/N/BRA/2/Add/2	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/BRA/2/Add.2: QR 2
	NAL-X	20.03.2020	Unspecified	– Pharmaceuticals	Article XI:2(a) of the GATT	Modification notified: G/MA/QR/N/BRA/2/Add/2	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/BRA/2/Add.2: QR 3

[1] This Annex is in English only.
[2] "In force according to" indicates that either no termination date has been given, or it hasn't been reached yet.
"Expired according to" indicates that the measure is terminated according to the end date that was provided in the notification or based on information available in the Trade Monitoring Exercise.
"Termination notified" indicates that a notification notified the termination of the measure.

Member	Measure type	First introduced on (date)	Duration (days)	Covered products	Justification cited	Notification of extension/ modification	Current status[2]
	CP-X	29.06.2020	Unspecified	– Face and eye protection – Gloves – Medical devices and equipment – Protective garments – Other medical supplies	Article XI:2(a) of the GATT	-	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/BRA/2/Add.2: QR 1
	NAL-X	01.01.2021	Unspecified	– Other medical supplies	Article XI:2(a) of the GATT	-	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/BRA/2/Add.2: QR 2
	NAL-X	09.06.2020	Unspecified	– Pharmaceuticals	Article XI:2(a) of the GATT	-	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/BRA/2/Add.2: QR 3
Cambodia	NA	05/04/2020	45	– Foodstuffs	NA	-	Expired according to: WTO Trade Monitoring Exercise
	NA	30/03/2020	77	– COVID-19 Test kits	NA	-	Expired according to: WTO Trade Monitoring
Colombia	CP-X	23.03.2020	184	– Face and eye protection – Gloves – Pharmaceuticals – Sanitizers/ Disinfectants – Soap – Other medical supplies	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	-	Expired according to: G/MA/QR/N/COL/1: QR 1
	CP-X	23.03.2020	184	– Gloves – Medical devices and equipment – Protective garments	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	-	Expired according to: G/MA/QR/N/COL/1: QR 2
	CP	07.04.2020	61	– Sanitizers/ Disinfectants	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	-	Expired according to: G/MA/QR/N/COL/1/Add.1: QR 1
Côte d'Ivoire	NA	unspecified	Unspecified	– Sanitizers/ Disinfectants	NA	-	WTO Trade Monitoring Exercise
Costa Rica	NAL-X	10.04.2020	Unspecified	– Face and eye protection – Gloves – Protective garments – Sanitizers/ Disinfectants	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	Modification notified: G/MA/QR/N/CRI/3/Add.2	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/CRI/4: QR 18
Ecuador	P-X	11.03.2020	404	– Face and eye protection – Gloves[3] – Pharmaceuticals[3] – Protective garments[3] – Sanitizers/ Disinfectants[3] – Soap[3] – Other medical supplies[3]	Article XX(b) of the GATT	-	Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/ECU/1/Add.1: QR 1

[3] According to Ecuador's notification, this product category was prohibited for exports until 25 June 2020 only.

Member	Measure type	First introduced on (date)	Duration (days)	Covered products	Justification cited	Notification of extension/ modification	Current status[2]
Egypt	P-X	28.03.2020	283	– Foodstuffs	Article XI:2(a) of the GATT	Modification and extension notified: G/MA/QR/N/EGY/1/Rev.1/Add.1 G/MA/QR/N/EGY/1/Rev.1/Add.2	Expired according to: G/MA/QR/N/EGY/1/Rev.1/Add.2: QR 1
	P-X	17.03.2020	185	– Sanitizers/ Disinfectants	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	Extension notified: G/MA/QR/N/EGY/1/Rev.1/Add.1	Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/EGY/1/Rev.1/Add.2
	P-X	17.03.2020	184	– Face and eye protection – Gloves – Protective garments – Other medical supplies	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	Extension notified: G/MA/QR/N/EGY/1/Rev.1/Add.1	Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/EGY/1/Rev.1/Add.2
El Salvador	P-X	26.03.2020	280	– Foodstuffs	Article XI:2(a) of the GATT	-	Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/SLV/1: QR 1
European Union	NAL-X	15.03.2020	71	– Face and eye protection – Gloves – Protective garments	Protection of human life or health, inter alia	Modification and extension notified: G/MA/QR/N/EU/4/Add.2	Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/EU/4/Add.3
	NAL-X	31.01.2021	242	– Vaccines	Protection of human life or health, inter alia	Modification and extension notified: G/MA/QR/N/EU/5/Add.2 G/MA/QR/N/EU/5/Add.3 G/MA/QR/N/EU/5/Add/4 G/MA/QR/N/EU/5/Add/6	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/EU/5/Add/6: QR 1
European Union: Bulgaria[4]	NA	10/03/2021	51	– Pharmaceuticals	NA	-	Expired according to: WTO Trade Monitoring Exercise
European Union: Bulgaria[4]	NA	20/03/2020	55	– Pharmaceuticals	NA	-	Expired according to: WTO Trade Monitoring Exercise
European Union: Cyprus[4]	CP-X	unspecified	Unspecified	– Pharmaceuticals	Protection of human life or health, inter alia	-	Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/EU/5/Add.5
European Union: Czech Republic[4]	NA	02/04/2020	46	– Pharmaceuticals	NA	-	Expired according to: WTO Trade Monitoring Exercise
European Union: Czech Republic[4]	NA	05/03/2020	46	– Sanitizers/ Disinfectants	NA	-	Expired according to: WTO Trade Monitoring Exercise
European Union: Estonia[4]	P-X	unspecified	Unspecified	– Pharmaceuticals	Protection of human life or health, inter alia	-	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/EU/4/Add/3: QR 2

[4] Measure taken by this Member of the European Union only.

Member	Measure type	First introduced on (date)	Duration (days)	Covered products	Justification cited	Notification of extension/ modification	Current status[2]
European Union: France[4]	P-X	11.03.2020	61	– Pharmaceuticals	Protection of human life or health, inter alia	-	Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/EU/5/Add.5
European Union: Greece[4]	P-X	13.04.2020	Unspecified	– Pharmaceuticals – Vaccines	Protection of human life or health, inter alia	-	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/EU/4/Add.3: QR 4
European Union: Hungary[4]	P-X	11/12/2020	Unspecified	– Pharmaceuticals	Protection of human life or health, inter alia		In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/EU/5/Add/5: QR 3
European Union: Latvia[4]	NA	unspecified	Unspecified	– Pharmaceuticals	NA	-	Expired according to: WTO Trade Monitoring Exercise
European Union: Netherlands[4]	NA	23/03/2020	Unspecified	– Pharmaceuticals – Face and eye protection – Gloves – Protective garments	NA	-	In force according to: WTO Trade Monitoring Exercise
European Union: Romania[4]	CP-X	23.04.2020	Unspecified	– Medical devices and equipment – Pharmaceuticals	Protection of human life or health, inter alia	-	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/EU/5/Add/5: QR 4
European Union: Slovak Republic[4]	CP-X	16.03.2020	22	– COVID-19 Test kits – Pharmaceuticals – Other medical supplies	Protection of human life or health, inter alia	-	Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/EU/5/Add.5
The Gambia	P-X	31/03/2020	107	– Foodstuffs – Sanitizers/ Disinfectants	Article XI:2(a) of the GATT	-	Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/GMB/1: QR1
Georgia	CP-X	03.04.2020	Unspecified	– COVID-19 Test kits – Face and eye protection – Gloves – Medical devices and equipment – Protective garments – Sanitizers/ Disinfectants	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	Modification and extension notified: G/MA/QR/N/GEO/2/Add.2	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/GEO/2/Add.2: QR 1
Honduras	NA	30/03/2020	149	– Foodstuffs	NA	-	Expired according to: WTO Trade Monitoring Exercise
Hong Kong, China	CP-X	Several dates in Q2 2020	365	– Face and eye protection	Article XI:2(a) of the GATT	-	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/HKG/5: QR28
India	P-X	01/06/2020	136	– Sanitizers/ Disinfectants;	Article XI & Article XX of GATT		Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/IND/3: QR34
	P-X	22/06/2020	183	– Gloves	Article XI & Article XX of GATT		Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/IND/3: QR37
	CP-X	10/06/2020	Unspecified	– COVID-19 Test kits;	Article XI & Article XX of GATT	-	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/IND/3: QR38

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	P-X	18/08/2020	Unspecified	– Protective garments;	Article XI & Article XX of GATT	-	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/IND/3: QR54
	P-X	16/05/2020	Unspecified	– Face and eye protection	Article XI & Article XX of GATT	-	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/IND/3: QR59
	P-X	24/03/2020	133	– Medical devices and equipment;	Article XI & Article XX of GATT	-	Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/IND/3: QR60
	CP-X	22/06/2020	183	– Face and eye protection	Article XI & Article XX of GATT	-	Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/IND/3: QR61
	NA	Several dates since January 2020	Unspecified	– Pharmaceuticals;	NA	NA	In force according to: WTO Trade Monitoring Exercise
Indonesia	NA	18/03/2020	104	– Face and eye protection – Protective garments – Sanitizers/ Disinfectants	NA	-	Expired according to: WTO Trade Monitoring Exercise
Israel	NAL-X	04.05.2020	210	– COVID-19 Test kits – Face and eye protection – Medical devices and equipment – Protective garments – Sanitizers/ Disinfectants – Other medical supplies	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	Modification and extension notified: G/MA/QR/N/ISR/1/Add.1 Modification and extension notified: G/MA/QR/N/ISR/1/Add.2	Expired according to: G/MA/QR/N/ISR/1/Add.2: QR 1
Kazakhstan	P-X	24/03/2020	190	– Face and eye protection – Protective garments – Sanitizers/ Disinfectants	Article XX(b) of the GATT	Modification notified: G/MA/QR/N/KAZ/3/Rev.2	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/KAZ/3/Rev.2: QR9
	P-X	11/05/2020	184	– Miscellaneous	Article XX(i) of the GATT	Article XX(i) of the GATT	Expired according to: G/MA/QR/N/KAZ/3/Rev.2: QR11
	NA	02/04/2020	43	– Foodstuffs	NA	-	Expired according to: WTO Trade Monitoring Exercise
Korea, Rep. of	CP-X, P-X	06.03.2020	217	– Face and eye protection	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	Modification and extension notified: G/MA/QR/N/KOR/2/Add.2 Modification and extension notified: G/MA/QR/N/KOR/2/Add.3 Modification and extension notified: G/MA/QR/N/KOR/2/Add.4	Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/KOR/3/Add.1

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						Modification and extension notified: G/MA/QR/N/KOR/2/Add.5	
Kyrgyz Republic	P-X	22.03.2020	184	– Foodstuffs – Sanitizers/ Disinfectants	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	-	Expired according to: G/MA/QR/N/KGZ/1/Add.1: QR 1
	P-X	12/04/2021	185	– COVID-19 Test kits – Face and eye protection – Gloves – Medical devices and equipment – Other medical supplies – Pharmaceuticals	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	-	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/KGZ/1/Add/7: QR 1
	P-X	08/07/2021	184	– Foodstuffs	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	-	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/KGZ/1/Add/9: QR 1
Malaysia	P-X	20/03/2020	Unspecified	– Face and eye protection;	Article XI:2(a) of the GATT		In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/MYS/1/Add.1: QR1
Moldova, Rep. of	P-X	11.03.2020	173	– Face and eye protection – Gloves – Sanitizers/ Disinfectants	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	-	Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/MDA/1/Add.2: QR 1
Morocco	NA	15/03/2020	Unspecified	– Face and eye protection – Sanitizers/ Disinfectants	NA	-	In force according to: WTO Trade Monitoring Exercise
Myanmar	NA	01/05/2020	152	– Foodstuffs	NA	Extension notified: G/AG/N/MYN/21/Add.1	Expired according to: G/AG/N/MYN/21/Add.1
North Macedonia	P-X	20.03.2020	41	– Foodstuffs	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	-	Expired according to: G/MA/QR/N/MKD/1: QR 1
Norway	NAL-X	15.03.2020	72	– Face and eye protection – Gloves – Protective garments	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	-	Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/NOR/1/Add.1: QR 1
Oman	NA	29/02/2020	Unspecified	– Face and eye protection	NA		In force according to: WTO Trade Monitoring Exercise
Paraguay	NAL-X	17.03.2020	365	– Face and eye protection – Sanitizers/ Disinfectants	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	Modification notified: G/MA/QR/N/PRY/1/Add.1	Expired according to: G/MA/QR/N/PRY/1/Add.1: QR 1
Peru	NAL-X	09.03.2020	Unspecified	– Face and eye protection – Gloves – Medical devices and equipment – Protective garments – Other medical supplies	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	-	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/PER/2: QR 1
Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of	P-X	04.02.2020	Unspecified	– Face and eye protection – Gloves – Medical devices and equipment	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	-	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/SAU/1: QR 1

Member	Measure type	First introduced on (date)	Duration (days)	Covered products	Justification cited	Notification of extension/ modification	Current status[2]
				– Pharmaceuticals – Protective garments – Sanitizers/ Disinfectants – Vaccines			
Switzerland	NAL-X	16.03.2020	97	– Face and eye protection – Gloves – Medical devices and equipment – Pharmaceuticals – Protective garments	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	-	Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/CHE/3: QR 19
Thailand	P-X	26.03.2020	35	– Foodstuffs	Article XI:2(a) of the GATT	Modification notified: G/MA/QR/N/THA/2/Add.3	Expired according to: G/MA/QR/N/THA/2/Add.3: QR 1
	P-X	05.02.2020	731	– Face and eye protection	Article XI:2(a) of the GATT	Extension notified: G/MA/QR/N/THA/2/Add/4	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/THA/2/Add/4: QR 1
Turkey	NAL-X	04.03.2020	Unspecified	– Face and eye protection – Gloves – Protective garments	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	-	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/TUR/2/Add.1: QR 1
	NAL-X	18.03.2020	Unspecified	– Protective garments	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	-	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/TUR/2/Add.1: QR 2
Ukraine	NAL-X, P-X	14.03.2020	140	– Face and eye protection – Gloves – Protective garments	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	Extension notified: G/MA/QR/N/UKR/4/Add.5 G/MA/QR/N/UKR/4/Add.6	Expired according to: G/MA/QR/N/UKR/4/Add.6: QR 1
	NAL-X, P-X	25.03.2020	51	– Sanitizers/ Disinfectants	Article XI:2(a) and XX(b) of the GATT	-	Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/UKR/4/Add.2
United Kingdom[5]	CP-X	unspecified	Unspecified	– Pharmaceuticals	Protection of human life or health, *inter alia*	-	In force according to: G/MA/QR/N/EU/4/Add.3: QR 1
United States	NAL-X	07.04.2020	449	– Face and eye protection – Gloves – Protective garments – Other medical supplies	Protection of human life or health and essential security interests, inter alia	Modification and extension notified: G/MA/QR/N/USA/4/Add.2 G/MA/QR/N/USA/5/Add.1	Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/USA/5/Add.2: QR 1
Viet Nam	GQ-X	10.04.2020	20	– Foodstuffs	Article XI:2(a) of the GATT	-	Termination notified: G/MA/QR/N/VNM/1: QR 1

[5] The United Kingdom withdrew from the European Union as of 1 February 2020. During the transition period, which ended on 31 December 2020, Union law, with a few limited exceptions, continued to be applicable to and in the United Kingdom.

Member	Measure type	First introduced on (date)	Duration (days)	Covered products	Justification cited	Notification of extension/ modification	Current status[2]
Zimbabwe	NA	30/03/2020	Unspecified	– Face and eye protection – Gloves – Medical devices and equipment – Protective garments – Other medical supplies	NA	-	In force according to: WTO Trade Monitoring Exercise

ANNEX 2
TRADE FACILITATING MEASURES RELATING TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC[6]

Member	Measure type	First introduced on (date)	Duration (days)	Covered products	Renewed / extended / modified	Current status
Argentina	Certain products (e.g. medical equipment and personal protective equipment) eliminated from the list requiring non-automatic import licensing requirements (15 tariff lines at 8-digit level, in NCM Chapters 22; 38; 62; 63; 65; 90), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	19/03/2020	Permanent	Face and eye protection Medical devices and equipment Other medical supplies Protective garments Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		In force
	Import of certain products temporary exempted from VAT (NCM Chapters 22; 29; 38; 39; 40; 63; 65; 84; 90; 94), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	15/04/2020	60	Face and eye protection Gloves Medical devices and equipment Other medical supplies Protective garments Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Expired
	On 21 March 2020, temporary suspension of the anti-dumping duties on imports of hypodermic syringes of plastic, disposable, sterile, with or without needles (NCM 90183111; 90183119) from China (investigation initiated on 15 September 2009 and definitive duty imposed on 15 March 2011)	21/03/2020	Unspecified	Medical devices and equipment Other medical supplies		In force
	On 24 March 2020, temporary suspension of the anti-dumping duties on imports of parenteral solutions (NCM 30049099) from Brazil and Mexico (investigation initiated on 29 June 2018 and definitive duty imposed on 2 December 2019)	24/03/2020	Unspecified	Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		In force
	Temporary authorization to exceptionally accept documents of origin in electronic form for accreditation and to determine the origin of imported goods, and to access tariff preferences that are part of preferential agreements signed by Argentina (LAIA, Israel, Egypt and SACU) Presentation of original format to Customs not required, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	08/04/2020	Unspecified	All products		In force
	Temporary elimination of export duties (derechos de exportación) on raw hides and skins, leather and furskins, due to the COVID-19 pandemic (41012000; 41015010; 41015020; 41015030; 41019010; 41019020; 41019030; 41021000; 41039000)	20/10/2020	72	Other products		Expired

[6] This Annex is in English only.

Member	Measure type	First introduced on (date)	Duration (days)	Covered products	Renewed / extended / modified	Current status
	Temporary elimination of export duties (derechos de exportación) on raw hides and skins, leather and furskins, due to the COVID-19 pandemic (NCM 41012000; 41015010; 41015020; 41015030; 41019010; 41019020; 41019030; 41021000; 41039000)	23/06/2020	60	Other products		Expired
	Temporary elimination of export licensing requirement on certain pharmaceutical products (NCM 30049069; 30049095), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	19/04/2020	Unspecified	Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		In force
	Temporary elimination of export licensing requirement on oxygen and containers for compressed or liquified gas, of iron or steel (NCM 28044000; 73110000), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	29/04/2021	Unspecified	Other medical supplies		In force
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain products (NCM Chapters 22; 29; 30; 38; 39; 40; 63; 65; 84; 90; 94), due to the COVID-19 pandemic Imports also exempted from the statistical fee (tasa de estadística)	03/04/2020	Unspecified	Face and eye protection Gloves Medical devices and equipment Other medical supplies Protective garments Pharmaceuticals Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		In force
	Temporary suspension of certain customs processing deadlines (plazos operativos) and procedures, during the validity of the provisions of Decree No 298/2020 and its amending regulations (suspension of administrative deadlines)	30/05/2020	183	Unspecified		Expired
	Temporary suspension until 1 October 2020 of the requirement to submit the Sworn Declaration of Product Composition (Declaración Jurada de Composición de Productos "DJCP"), pursuant to Secretariat of Trade (SC) Resolution No 404/2016 and the amendments thereto, for the products falling under the following MERCOSUR Common Nomenclature (NCM/SA) tariff headings: 62101000; 63079010; 63079090; 65050022, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	03/04/2020	60	Face and eye protection Protective garments		Expired
	Temporary waiving of export duties (60 days) through the sworn export declaration, for micro, small and medium-sized enterprises (MSME) registered in the MSME National Register	08/06/2020	60	Unspecified		Expired

Member	Measure type	First introduced on (date)	Duration (days)	Covered products	Renewed / extended / modified	Current status
Australia	- Temporary tariff concession (elimination of customs duties) (G/MA/W/152)	01/05/2020	880 days (until 30.06.2022)	Medical or hygiene products to combat COVID-19, including: - Face and eye protection - Gloves - Protective garments - Sanitizers/ Disinfectants - Soap Other medical supplies (viral transport media)	On 29.07.2020, the measures were extended until 31.12.2020 (G/MA/W/152/Add.1) On 14.12.2020, the measure was extended until 30.06.2021 (G/MA/W/165) On 01.07.2020, the measure was extended until 30.06.2022 (G/MA/W/165/Add.1)	In force
	- Refunds for customs duties paid on prescribed goods imported from 01.02.2020 (G/MA/W/152)	01/05/2020	244 days	Medical or hygiene products to combat COVID-19, including: - -Face and eye protection - -Gloves - -Protective garments - -Sanitizers/ Disinfectants - -Soap - -Other medical supplies (viral transport media)		Expired
Bangladesh	- Elimination of MFN applied duties (G/MA/W/156) - Elimination of other taxes, including the regulatory duty (RD), supplementary duty (SD), value added tax (VAT), advanced tax (AT) and advanced income tax (AIT) (G/MA/W/156) - Special conditions to benefit from these eliminations were added on 30.06.2020 (G/MA/W/159). For example, an importer must be an Import Registration Certificate (IRC) holder of the pharmaceutical industry or IRC holder of the medical instruments manufacture.	22/03/2020	192 days	- COVID-19 Test kits - Face and eye protection - Protective garments - Sanitizers/ Disinfectants List of covered products extended on 30.06.2020 to include: - parts of Face and eye protection (e.g. filaments, fabrics, ear bands for masks, etc.) - Medical devices and equipment. (G/MA/W/159)	On 30.06.2020, the measures were extended until 30.09.2020 (G/MA/W/159)	Expired
	Extension of the usance period for imports of: (i) life saving products; (ii) agricultural implements and chemical fertilizers; and (iii) inputs imported by industries Bill of entry submission period extended from 120 days to 180 days, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	01/03/2020	90	Unspecified		Expired
Bolivia	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain pharmaceutical products, protective equipment and medical supplies (HS Chapters	29/04/2020	Unspecified	COVID-19 Test kits Foodstuffs Other medical supplies		Unspecified

Member	Measure type	First introduced on (date)	Duration (days)	Covered products	Renewed / extended / modified	Current status
	17; 22; 25; 28; 29; 30; 35; 38; 40; 48; 61; 62; 65; 73; 90), due to the COVID-19 pandemic			Pharmaceuticals Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on vaccines essential in combatting COVID-19	01/01/2021	364	Vaccines		In force
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on wheat and meslin (HS 1001), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	08/04/2020	730	Foodstuffs		In force
Brazil	On 26 March 2020 temporary suspension of the anti-dumping duties on vacuum plastic tubes for blood collection imported from Germany, the United Kingdom and the United States; and on and syringes imported from China (NCM 38220090; 39269040; 90183999; 90183111; 90183119), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	26/03/2020	188	COVID-19 Test kits Face and eye protection Other medical supplies Protective garments		Expired
	Temporary elimination of import licensing requirements on certain products (dispensa de licenciamento de anuência da Subsecretaria de Operações de Comércio Exterior "SUEXT") used in the treatment of COVID-19 (NCM 39211390; 55032010; 62101000; 90189010)	20/03/2020	Unspecified	Protective garments		Unspecified
	Temporary elimination of import licensing requirements on certain products (e.g. vacuum plastic tubes for blood collection and syringes) (NCM 38220090; 39269040; 90183999; 90183111; 90183119), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	23/03/2020	Unspecified	COVID-19 Test kits Other medical supplies		Unspecified
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain personal protective equipment (NCM Chapters 17; 22; 25; 28; 29; 30; 33; 34; 37; 38; 39; 40; 48; 55; 56; 59; 61; 62; 63; 65; 70; 72; 73; 76; 84; 85; 87; 90; 94), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	18/03/2020	196	COVID-19 Test kits Face and eye protection Gloves Medical devices and equipment Protective garments Sanitizers/ Disinfectants Soap Vaccines		Expired
	Temporary elimination of the IPI (Imposto sobre Produtos Industrializados) internal industrial tax on certain products (NCM 22072019; 38089411; 38089419; 38089429; 39262000; 39269040; 39269090; 39269090; 40151900; 73262000; 90049020; 90049090; 90181980; 90183923; 90183999; 901920; 90200090; 90251110), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	01/03/2020	213	Face and eye protection Protective garments Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Expired
	Temporary exemption from the requirement of inexistence of national production for the import of used pulmonary ventilators, vital signs	11/05/2020	Unspecified	Medical devices and equipment		Unspecified

Member	Measure type	First introduced on (date)	Duration (days)	Covered products	Renewed / extended / modified	Current status
	monitors, infusion pumps, oximeters and capnographs and stretchers for the transport of patients, due to the COVID-19 pandemic					
Canada	- Waiver of tariffs on goods imported by or on behalf of public health agencies, hospitals and testing sites, and first response organizations	16.03.2020	Unspecified	All products imported by covered entities, including: - Essential medical supplies (undefined) - Face and eye protection	Confirmed continuation of the measure on 11.05.2020 (G/MA/W/153)	In force
	(G/MA/W/145) - Waiver of sales tax on goods imported by or on behalf of public health agencies, hospitals and testing sites, and first response organizations (G/MA/W/145) - Expedited customs clearance procedures, where possible (G/MA/W/145)			Protective garments		
	- Deferral of payment of import duties and the Goods and Services Tax (GST) for March, April, and May to 30 June 2020. (G/MA/W/145)	27.03.2020	95 days	All products		Expired
	- Waiver of customs duties (G/MA/W/153)	05.05.2020	Unspecified	Specified medical supplies, including: - COVID-19 test kits - Face and eye protection - Gloves - Medical consumables - Medical devices and equipment - Protective garments - Sanitizers/ Disinfectants - Soap - Toilet paper - Other medical supplies (Canada's list was based on the WCO-WHO indicative list plus classification guidance by the Canada Border Services Agency)		In force
Chad	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain products (HS Chapters 10; 11; 15; 19; 22; 25; 28; 30; 34; 38; 39; 40; 48; 61; 62; 63; 73; 84; 90), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	24/04/2020	251	COVID-19 Test kits Face and eye protection Gloves Medical devices and equipment Protective garments Sanitizers/ Disinfectants Soap		Expired

Member	Measure type	First introduced on (date)	Duration (days)	Covered products	Renewed / extended / modified	Current status
Chile	- Non-requirement of certain documents to facilitate imports & exports; non imposition of fines for modification of customs documents (G/MA/W/148)	11.02.2020	Unspecified	All products		Unspecified
	- Simplification of customs procedures and postponement of certain deadlines (G/MA/W/148)	18.03.2020	Unspecified	All products	Supplemented on 26.03.2020 (G/MA/W/148) Amended on 01.04.2020 (G/MA/W/148/Add.1)	Unspecified
	- Priority for the importation of and donation of inputs critical for the management, diagnosis and treatment of COVID-19 (G/MA/W/148)	26.03.2020	Unspecified	Products declared as critical inputs by the Health Authority	Supplemented on 08.04.2020 (G/MA/W/148)	Unspecified
	- Established procedures for donated goods in a state of emergency (relief goods) (G/MA/W/148/Add.1)	13.04.2020	Unspecified	All products		Unspecified
	Temporary deferral of VAT payment on imports for SMEs, under certain conditions, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	17/04/2020	Unspecified	Face and eye protection		Unspecified
China	A total of 9 facilitation measures regarding 3 categories of agricultural administrative approval (license renewal, simplification of approval procedure, and optimization of approval process)	12/02/2020	Unspecified	Unspecified		Unspecified
	Actively guiding and encouraging enterprises to apply for import and export licenses in a paperless way; further simplifying the materials required for the paperless application for import and export licenses; optimizing the application and updating processes of electronic keys, and encouraging enterprises to apply for and updating electronic keys online	06/02/2020	Unspecified	Unspecified		Unspecified
	Announcement by the Ministry of Commerce, the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology, the National Health Commission and the National Medical Products Administration on publication of the List of COVID-19 vaccines for exportation In order to ensure the smooth exportation of COVID-19 vaccines and support international cooperation on fighting the epidemic, the COVID-19 vaccines approved or conditionally approved by the National Medical Products Administration "NMPA" are hereby included in the "List of COVID-19 Vaccines for	Unspecified	Unspecified	Vaccines		Unspecified

Member	Measure type	First introduced on (date)	Duration (days)	Covered products	Renewed / extended / modified	Current status
	Exportation (developed and manufactured by Chinese enterprises) The list will be dynamically adjusted in due course according to NMPA marketing authorizations					
	Trade facilitation measures through the holding of the 127th Canton International Fair online, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	15/06/2020	9	Unspecified		Expired
Colombia	- Elimination of MFN customs duties (G/MA/W/146)	16.03.2020 and 22.03.2020	190 days (until 22.09.2020)	- Face and eye protection - Gloves - Medical consumables - Medical devices and equipment - Pharmaceuticals - Protective garments - Sanitizers/ Disinfectants - Soap - Other products (including chemical products, inputs for water sanitation and certain aviation devices)		Expired
	- Elimination of MFN customs duties (G/MA/W/146/Add.1)	07.04.2020	84 days (until 30.06.2020)	- Foodstuffs (raw materials for the food industry, including: yellow flint maize, sorghum, soya and soya bean oil-cake)		Expired
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain accumulators (separadores acumuladores eléctricos) (HS 85079020), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	03/08/2020	184	Other medical supplies		Expired
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on oxygen and certain artificial respiration or other therapeutic respiration apparatus (HS 28044000; 90192000), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	23/04/2021		Medical devices and equipment Other medical supplies		In force
Costa Rica	- Moratorium (deferral) of value added tax for the periods March, April and May 2020; no interest rate or penalty if paid by 31.12.2020 (G/MA/W/155) - Elimination of partial payments of the profits tax due in April, May and June 2020; no interest rate or penalty if paid by 31.12.2020 (G/MA/W/155) - Moratorium (deferral) of selective consumption tax for the periods March, April and May 2020; no interest rate or penalty if paid by 31.12.2020 (G/MA/W/155)	20.03.2020	286 days (until 31.12.2020)	All products		Expired

Member	Measure type	First introduced on (date)	Duration (days)	Covered products	Renewed / extended / modified	Current status
	- Moratorium (deferral) on import tariffs during the months of April, May and June 2020 on products in Chapter 25-97 of the Central American Customs System (SAC). Tariffs must be paid by 31.12.2020. (G/MA/W/155)	20.03.2020	286 days (until 31.12.2020)	All products in HS Chapters 25-97		Expired
	- Exemption from VAT on commercial leases for the tax periods April, May and June 2020 (G/MA/W/155)	20.03.2020	286 days (until 31.12.2020)	Unspecified		Expired
Côte d'Ivoire	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on pharmaceutical products and medical equipment, due to the COVID-19 pandemic Imports also exempted from VAT and other import duties	04/05/2020	Unspecified	Pharmaceuticals		Unspecified
Dominican Republic	- Elimination of customs duties on imports (G/MA/W/149) - Suspension of the tax on the transfer of industrialized goods and services (ITBIS) (G/MA/W/149)	17.03.2020	Unspecified (for the duration of the state of national emergency)	- Face and eye protection - Gloves - Medical devices and equipment (artificial respiration apparatus) - Protective garments		Unspecified
	- Suspension of the selective consumption tax (G/MA/W/149)	17.03.2020	Unspecified (for the duration of the state of national emergency)	- Sanitizers/ Disinfectants (ethyl alcohol)		Unspecified
	- Expedited clearance procedures and extension of business hours at the customs administration (G/MA/W/149/Add.1)	16.04.2020 and 17.04.2020	Unspecified (for the duration of the state of national emergency)	All products		Unspecified
	- Suspension of levies, tax on the transfer of industrialized goods and services and other duties and charges (G/MA/W/149/Add.1)	16.04.2020	Unspecified (for the duration of the state of national emergency)	- Medical devices and equipment - Sanitizers/ Disinfectants - Other medical supplies (thermometers)		Unspecified
	- Other trade facilitating measures, including the surcharge for late declaration, extension of dates for counting of certain legal periods, provision of digital signatures, electronic payments, digital registration of importers/exporters, acceptance of copies of SPS certificates, elimination of some certificates, improved priorities in risk analysis, etc. (G/MA/W/149/Add.1)	Various dates starting on 20.03.2020	Unspecified	All products		Unspecified
Ecuador	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain personal protective equipment and pharmaceutical ingredients (HS Chapters 28; 30; 39; 40; 62; 65; 90), due to the COVID-19	Unspecified	Unspecified	Face and eye protection Gloves Protective garments		Expired

Member	Measure type	First introduced on (date)	Duration (days)	Covered products	Renewed / extended / modified	Current status
	pandemic (originally implemented on 22 March 2020)			Pharmaceuticals		
El Salvador	Temporary elimination of import tariffs under scarcity quotas on certain products, e.g. on rice in the husk (paddy or rough) (import quota of 20,000 metric tonnes); on maize (maíz amarillo) (import quota of 180,000 metric tonnes); and on maize (maíz blanco) (import quota of 140,000 metric tonnes), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	23/03/2020	283	Foodstuffs		Expired
	Temporary elimination of the Central American Common Tariff on imports of certain food products, pharmaceutical products and personal protective equipment (HS Chapters 04; 07; 10; 11; 19; 20; 21; 28; 30; 34; 38; 40; 96), due to the COVID-19 pandemic Certain products also exempted from VAT	20/03/2020	57	Face and eye protection Gloves Pharmaceuticals Protective garments Foodstuffs Soap		Expired
Eurasian Economic Union[7]	Extension of the list of imported goods exempted from customs tariffs (HS 28092000; 28470000; 29021900; 29053920; 29053925; 29094300; 29121900; 29173400; 29181998; 33029090; 34021900; 39069090; 39119099; 39123100; 39123985; 39204310; 40169997; 65050090; 65061010), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	03/07/2020	Unspecified	Pharmaceuticals		Unspecified
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain food products (e.g. potatoes, onions, garlic, cabbage, carrots, peppers, rye, rice, buckwheat, buckwheat groats, baby food and raw materials for its production, juices), and medicines, pipettes, disinfection systems, endoscopes and contactless thermometers, medical substances, refrigerators and containers for medical purposes (HS Chapters 7; 10; 11; 17; 19; 20; 21; 28; 29; 30; 35; 38; 39; 42; 48; 76; 84; 87; 90), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	18/04/2020	73	COVID-19 Test kits Foodstuffs Protective garments		Expired
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain products, e.g. organic chemicals; amine-function compounds; ationic organic surface-active agents; non-ionic organic surface-active agents; antisera; wadding, gauze, bandages and similar articles; surgical gloves; personal protective equipment; and instruments and appliances used in medical, surgical sciences (in	03/04/2020	362	COVID-19 Test kits Face and eye protection Gloves Medical devices and equipment Protective garments		Expired

[7] The following WTO Members are part of the Eurasian Economic Union: Armenia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic and Russian Federation.

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	HS Chapters 17; 21; 25; 28; 29; 30; 34; 35; 38; 39; 40; 42; 48; 63; 70; 76; 84; 90; 94; 96), due to the COVID-19 pandemic					
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on lactose and lactose syrup; certain food preparations; inorganic chemicals; organic chemicals; gelatine; miscellaneous chemical products; plastics and articles thereof; folding carton, boxes and cases; aluminium containers for compressed or liquified gas; and freezers of the upright type (HS Chapters 17; 21; 28; 29; 35; 38; 39; 42; 48; 76; 84), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	18/04/2020	347	COVID-19 Test kits Face and eye protection Foodstuffs		Expired
	Temporary simplification of the country of origin confirmation procedure applied to goods imported from developing and LDCs, including through a possibility to provide electronic or paper copy of the certificate of origin	18/04/2020	987	All products		In force
	Amending Directive 2006/112/EC as regards temporary measures in relation to value added tax applicable to COVID-19 vaccines and in vitro diagnostic medical devices in response to the COVID-19 pandemic Members States may take one of the following measures: (i) apply a reduced rate to the supply of COVID-19 in vitro diagnostic medical devices and services closely linked to those devices; (ii) grant an exemption with deductibility of VAT paid at the preceding stage in respect of the supply of COVID-19 in vitro diagnostic medical devices and services closely linked to those devices Member States may grant an exemption with deductibility of VAT paid at the preceding stage in respect of the supply of COVID-19 vaccines and services closely linked to those vaccines Only COVID-19 vaccines authorized by the Commission or by Member States shall be eligible for the exemption	11/12/2020	750	COVID-19 Test kits Vaccines		Unspecified
European Union	Amending Directive 2006/112/EC as regards temporary measures in relation to value added tax applicable to COVID-19 vaccines and in vitro diagnostic medical devices in response to the COVID-19 pandemic Members States may take one of the following measures: (i) apply a reduced rate to the supply of COVID-19 in vitro diagnostic medical devices and services closely	11/12/2020	750	COVID-19 Test kits Vaccines		In force

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	linked to those devices; (ii) grant an exemption with deductibility of VAT paid at the preceding stage in respect of the supply of COVID-19 in vitro diagnostic medical devices and services closely linked to those devices Member States may grant an exemption with deductibility of VAT paid at the preceding stage in respect of the supply of COVID-19 vaccines and services closely linked to those vaccines Only COVID-19 vaccines authorized by the Commission or by Member States shall be eligible for the exemption					
	Communication from the Commission - European Commission Guidelines: Facilitating Air Cargo Operations during COVID-19 outbreak The Guidelines aim to ensure essential transport flows Member States are requested to facilitate air cargo operations during the COVID-19 outbreak	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified		Unspecified
	Implementation of Green Lanes under the Guidelines for border management measures to protect health and ensure the availability of goods and essential services In order to preserve the EU-wide operation of supply chains and ensure the functioning of the Single Market for goods, wherever internal border controls exist or have been introduced, member States are requested to designate immediately all the relevant internal border-crossing points of the trans-European transport network (TEN-T) and additional ones, as "green lane" border crossings, for land (road and rail), sea and air transport	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified		Unspecified
	Relief from import duties and VAT exemption on importation granted for goods needed to combat the effects of the COVID-19 outbreak during 2020 The goods are intended for one of the following uses: (i) distribution free of charge by bodies and organizations to persons affected by or at risk from COVID-19 or involved in combating the COVID-19 outbreak; (ii) being made available free of charge to the persons affected by or at risk from COVID-19 or involved in combating the COVID-19 outbreak while remaining the property of the bodies and organizations; and (iii) the goods are imported for release for free circulation by or on behalf of state organizations, including state bodies,	30/01/2020	456	Goods needed to combat the effects of the COVID-19		Expired

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	public bodies and other bodies governed by public law or by or on behalf of organizations approved by the competent authorities in the member States					
Fiji	Temporary elimination of import excise duty (from 15%) on ethanol for the production of hand sanitizers Temporary elimination of import fiscal duties on certain products, e.g. hand sanitizers and antibacterial hand wash; gloves, masks; disposable hair nets; disinfectant wipes; tissue papers; face shields (medical use); medical goggles and spectacles; protective garments; long-sleeved medical gowns; ethanol for companies involved in hand sanitizer production; disinfectants/sterilization products; hospital beds; hydrogen peroxide; paper bed sheets; thermometers; air purifiers; and boots (specifically used in the medical environment), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	01/03/2020	Unspecified	Face and eye protection Gloves Medical devices and equipment Other medical supplies Protective garments Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Unspecified
	Temporary elimination of VAT on imports of certain products, e.g. vaccines and pharmaceutical products (HS Chapter 30); medical equipment (HS Chapter 90); scanners and cameras used in medical examinations; hand sanitizers and antibacterial hand wash; gloves, masks; disposable hair nets; disinfectant wipes; tissue papers; face shields (medical use); medical goggles and spectacles; protective garments of rubberized materials; long-sleeved medical gowns; ethanol for companies involved in hand sanitizer production; disinfectants/sterilization products; hospital beds; hydrogen peroxide; paper bed-sheets; thermometers; air purifiers; and boots (specifically used in the medical environment), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	01/03/2020	Unspecified	Face and eye protection Gloves Medical devices and equipment Other medical supplies Protective garments Pharmaceuticals Sanitizers/ Disinfectants Vaccines		Unspecified
Germany	Declaration of supply shortage for pneumococcal vaccines, due to the COVID-19 pandemic the declaration facilitates reallocation and import of vaccines	17/03/2020	Unspecified	Vaccines		Unspecified
Guyana	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain PPE, medical equipment, disinfectant (HS Chapters 21; 22; 28; 30; 34; 38; 39; 40; 48; 61; 62; 63; 65; 84; 90), due to the COVID-19 pandemic Imports also exempted from VAT and excise taxes	26/03/2020	Unspecified	COVID-19 Test kits Face and eye protection Gloves Medical devices and equipment Protective garments Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Unspecified

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				Soap		
India	24x7 custom clearance facility has been implemented at all custom formations to avoid any supply chain disruption (G/MA/W/171)	Unspecified	Unspecified	All products		Unspecified
	Exemption of customs duty on ventilators, personal protection equipment, Covid-19 testing kits and inputs for these good. (G/MA/W/171)	Unspecified	Unspecified	Critical goods used for fighting Covid-19, such as medical equipment, drugs and pharmaceuticals, testing kits, PPEs		Unspecified
	Local custodians (Inland Container Depots and Container Freight Stations) to exempt container detention charges during the lockdown period. (G/MA/W/171)	Unspecified	Unspecified	All products		Unspecified
	Specialized helpdesks, clearance, simplification and other customs-related measures (G/MA/W/171)	Unspecified	Unspecified	All products		Unspecified
	Amendments introduced to the import policy of Iron and Steel and incorporation of policy condition in HS Chapters 72; 73; 86, Schedule-I (import policy), resulting in an extension of validity to 135 days to automatic registration number generated under the Steel Import Monitoring System "SIMS" until 31 March 2020, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	31/03/2020	Unspecified	Other products		Unspecified
	Imports of certain medical and surgical instruments and apparatus (HS 9018; 9019; 9020; 9021; 9022) exempted from the "health cess"	01/04/2020	Unspecified	Face and eye protection		Unspecified
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs (from 10%) on: (i) Remdesivir Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (API); (ii) on Beta Cyclodextrin (SBEBCD) used in manufacture of Remdesivir, subject to the condition that the importer follows the procedure set out in the Customs (Import of Goods at Concessional Rate of Duty) Rules, 2017; and (iii) on injection Remdesivir, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	31/10/2021	Unspecified	Pharmaceuticals		Unspecified
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain goods to fight COVID-19, e.g. COVID-19 vaccines, oxygen concentrator, medical oxygen, oxygen canisters, oxygen filling systems, oxygen storage tanks, oxygen generator, ISO containers for shipping oxygen, oxygen cylinders including cryogenic cylinders and tanks, ventilators	24/04/2021	98	Medical devices and equipment Other medical supplies Vaccines		Expired

Member	Measure type	First introduced on (date)	Duration (days)	Covered products	Renewed / extended / modified	Current status
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on inflammatory diagnostic (marker) kits, namely-IL6, D-Dimer, CRP (C-Reactive Protein), LDH (Lactate De-Hydrogenase), ferritin, Pro Calcitonin (PCT) and blood gas reagents, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	30/04/2021	Unspecified	COVID-19 Test kits		Unspecified
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on: (i) artificial respiration or other therapeutic respiration apparatus (ventilators) (HS 9018; 9019); (ii) face masks and surgical masks (HS Chapter 63); (iii) personal protection equipment (HS Chapter 62); (iv) COVID-19 testing kits (HS Chapters 30 and 38); and (v) inputs for the manufacture of items (i) to (iv) subject to the condition that the importer follows the procedure set out in the Customs (Import of Goods at Concessional Rate of Duty) Rules, 2012, due to the COVID-19 pandemic Imports also exempted from the Health Cess	09/04/2020	174	COVID-19 Test kits Face and eye protection Gloves Medical devices and equipment Protective garments		Expired
	Temporary exemption of goods specified in notification Nos 27/2021-Customs and 28/2021-Customs, from Integrated Good and Services Taxes "IGST" levied thereon at the time of import subject to conditions as follows: (i) when such goods are imported into India free of cost for the purpose of COVID Relief by a state government, or any entity, relief agency, or statutory body empowered in this regard by any state government; (ii) said goods are received from abroad for free distribution in India for the purpose of COVID relief; and (iii) follows the procedure prescribed in the notification	03/05/2021	58	Goods for the purpose of COVID Relief		Expired
	Temporary reduction of the Integrated Good and Services Taxes "IGST" on oxygen concentrator, imported for personal use (HS 9804), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	01/05/2021	60	Medical devices and equipment		Expired
Indonesia	Amendments introduced to the list of products used in the treatment of COVID-19 granted temporary elimination of import tariffs (HS Chapters 30; 38; 63; 90)	08/10/2020	Unspecified	COVID-19 Test kits Face and eye protection Medical devices and equipment		Unspecified
	Extension of the exemption from VAT and income taxes on imports of certain medical and pharmaceutical products	01/01/2021	364	Pharmaceuticals		In force

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	Postponing the payment of excise duties on imports of certain goods, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	09/04/2020	Unspecified	Unspecified		Unspecified
	Temporary elimination of import certification requirements on imports of certain products, e.g. masks and personal protective equipment, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	23/03/2020	99	Face and eye protection Gloves Protective garments Soap		Expired
	Temporary elimination of import certification requirements on imports of onions and garlic (HS 0703), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	18/03/2020	74	Foodstuffs		Expired
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain medical and pharmaceutical products used in the treatment of COVID-19 (HS Chapters 29; 30; 38; 40; 62; 63; 90) Imports also exempted from VAT and income taxes	17/04/2020	Unspecified	COVID-19 Test kits Medical devices and equipment Pharmaceuticals		Unspecified
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on vaccines essential in combatting COVID-19, raw materials used in the production of the vaccine, and equipment necessary for its production and handling Imports also exempted from other taxes	26/11/2020	Unspecified	Pharmaceuticals Vaccines		Unspecified
Jamaica	Temporary reduction of export fees and charges, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	01/04/2020	Unspecified	Unspecified		Unspecified
Japan	Elimination of import tariffs on gloves, of polymers of vinyl chloride, of a thickness of less than 02 mm (HS 392620)	01/04/2020	Unspecified	Gloves		Unspecified
	Exemption of customs duty and (domestic) consumption tax for imported goods which are proved to be provided free of charge	Unspecified	Unspecified	All products		Unspecified
	Extension of time limits for customs procedures, including those for payment of customs duties in certain cases, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	11/05/2020	Unspecified	Unspecified		Unspecified
	Prioritization of customs clearance for relief goods relating to countermeasures to the COVID-19 and other goods that require an urgent clearance to maintain the lifeline	03/03/2020	Unspecified	Unspecified		Unspecified
	Refund of, reduction of, or exemption from certain customs fees, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	11/05/2020	Unspecified	Unspecified		Unspecified

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	Simplified import and export declaration forms for relief goods relating to countermeasures to the COVID-19 etc	03/03/2020	Unspecified	Unspecified		Unspecified
	Exemption of customs duty and (domestic) consumption tax for imported goods which are proved to be provided free of charge	Unspecified	Unspecified	All products		Unspecified
Korea, Rep. of	- Waiver of customs duties on imports (G/MA/W/147) - Expedited approval and customs clearance (G/MA/W/147)	20.03.2020	102 days (until 30.06.2020)	Face and eye protection (surgical and filtering respirators, and melt blown filters)		Expired
	Inclusion of surgical and protective masks, hand sanitizers and thermometers in the list of tariff exemptions for self-use of small quantities of goods	01/03/2020	152	Face and eye protection Medical devices and equipment Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Expired
Lao	Temporary elimination of import tariffs and other duties on medical devices and other products for prevention, control (e.g. masks, sanitizers, medical equipment), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	Unspecified	Unspecified	Face and eye protection Medical devices and equipment Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Unspecified
Madagascar	Elimination of import tariffs on certain pharmaceutical products, PPE and gloves Imports also exempted from VAT (HS 30051000; 30059000; 30061000; 30062000; 30063000; 30064000; 30067000; 38089410; 38089490; 38220000; 40151100; 63079030)	25/01/2021	Unspecified	COVID-19 Test kits Face and eye protection Gloves Pharmaceuticals		Unspecified
Malaysia	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on face masks (effective 23 March 2020); on PPE, medical equipment and COVID-19 consumables (effective 23 March 2020); and on raw materials, undenatured ethyl alcohol and denatured ethyl alcohol used for the production of hand sanitizers (effective 30 March 2020) (HS 38089490; 63079040; 63079090; 90251919; 90259010; 84192000; 90273010; 94029010; 90118000; 84185091; 90275010; 63079040; 90049050; 39262090; 39269039; 40151100; 40151900; 61161090; 62160010; 65050020; 62101019; 62102040; 62103040; 62104090; 62105090; 48189000; 39173391), due to the COVID-19 pandemic Imports also exempted from sales taxes and excise duties	Several dates	Unspecified	Face and eye protection Gloves Medical devices and equipment Other medical supplies Protective garments Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Unspecified
Maldives	Temporary reduction of import tariffs on certain personal protective equipment (e.g. hand sanitizers, disinfectants, protective masks, hand	17/03/2020	Unspecified	Face and eye protection Gloves Protective garments		Unspecified

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	wash, gloves used for medical purposes, and face shields), due to the COVID-19 pandemic Imports also exempted from processing fee's			Sanitizers/ Disinfectants Soap		
Mali	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain personal protective equipment (e.g. hand sanitizers, disinfectants, protective masks, gloves) and pharmaceutical products due to the COVID-19 pandemic Imports also exempted from VAT	Unspecified	Unspecified	Face and eye protection Gloves Pharmaceuticals Protective garments Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Unspecified
Mauritius	Temporary elimination of export charges imposed by the Port Authority and cargo handling corporation, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	Unspecified	Unspecified	All products		Unspecified
	Temporary elimination of VAT on imports of protective masks, gloves, test kits, breathing appliances, hand sanitizers and certain medical equipment (HS 63079030; 90200000; 38089410), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	24/03/2020	Unspecified	COVID-19 Test kits Face and eye protection Gloves Medical devices and equipment Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Unspecified
Mexico	Creation of 3 new tariff lines, resulting in the elimination of import tariffs on vaccines essential in combatting COVID-19 and aluminium containers for oxygen (HS 30022010; 76130002; 76130099)	23/02/2021		Other medical supplies Vaccines		In force
Moldova, Republic of	Temporary elimination of excise duties on imports of undistorted ethyl alcohol for use in antiseptic products (disinfectants, biocides and antibacterial cosmetics) (HS 22071000), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	26/03/2020	173	Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Expired
Mongolia	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on rice (buckwheat, millet), vegetable oil, animal feeds, grass, fodder seeds, edible wheat, wheat germ, oilseeds, vegetable crude oil (HS Chapters 05; 10; 11; 12; 15; 23) due to the COVID-19 pandemic Imports also exempted from VAT	01/12/2020	212	Foodstuffs		Expired
	Temporary reduction of import tariffs on diagnostic or laboratory kits, medical drugs, medical equipment and medical devices, disinfectants and masks (HS Chapters 28; 30; 34; 38; 39; 40; 62; 63; 65; 73; 74; 76; 84; 90), due to the COVID-19 pandemic Imports also exempted from VAT	09/04/2020	Unspecified	COVID-19 Test kits Face and eye protection Gloves Medical devices and equipment Protective garments Sanitizers/ Disinfectants Vaccines		Unspecified

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Myanmar	Reduction of the import license fees (from ad valorem rate to non-ad valorem rate), due to the COVID-19 pandemic (before COVID-19, the fee was based on the cif value of the goods up to a maximum of MMK 90,000 The MOC set the fixed rate at MMK 30,000 per licence)	06/04/2020	359	Unspecified		Expired
Myanmar	Temporary elimination of import license fees on medicines and raw materials used in medicines, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	11/04/2020	Unspecified	Pharmaceuticals		Unspecified
	Temporary reduction of demurrage charges (from 100% to 50%) for all imports and exports, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	09/04/2020	Unspecified	All products		Unspecified
Nepal	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on medical grade oxygen (liquid and gaseous oxygen); helmets for non-invasive ventilators; oxygen cylinder, liquid oxygen container, liquid oxygen tank, oxygen cannister, ISO containers for shipping oxygen and cryogenic road transport tank for oxygen; vacuum pressure swing absorption "VPSA", pressure swing absorption "PSA", oxygen plants and cryogenic oxygenic air separation units "ASU"; oxygen cylinder valve; syringe pump, infusion pump, high flow nasal cannula; ICU monitor; oxygen concentrator, venturi mask, reservoir mask, ventilator mask, non-Invasive ventilator mask, ventilator circuit, oxygen connectors and tubbing, oxygen filling system, oxygen generators, compressors, tubbing, humidifiers and viral filters for ventilators, oro-nasal masks and nasal masks for non-invasive ventilators; oxygen flowmeter and oxygen regulator; blood gas analyser; and ICU bed (HS 28044000; 90192000; 73110000; 8421; 84818090; 90183900; 90189000; 90268000; 90271000; 94029000), due to the COVID-19 pandemic Imports also exempted from other taxes and fees	26/04/2021	Unspecified	Medical devices and equipment Other medical supplies		Unspecified
	Temporary reduction of import tariffs on certain personal protective equipment, machinery for production of face masks, non-woven fabrics, elastic ropes, medical equipment and pharmaceutical products, due to the COVID-19 pandemic (HS 84490010; 56031100; 56039100; 56041000; 7226; 39262011; 39262021; 39262031; 39262041;62079110; 62079910; 62089110; 62089210;62089910; 62101010;	29/05/2020	Unspecified	COVID-19 Test kits Face and eye protection Gloves Medical devices and equipment Other medical supplies Pharmaceuticals Protective garments		Unspecified

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	62102010; 62103010; 62104010; 62105010; 62113210; 62113310; 62113910; 62114210; 62114210; 62114310; 62114910; 65050011; 30; 38210000; 38220000; 40151100; 63079020; 84192010; 90251100; 90251910; 90192000; 90189000; 90049000)					
New Zealand	- Elimination of customs duties on imports, which would take place initially through "tariff concessions" and, once in the recovery phase, as elimination of MFN applied duties. (G/MA/W/150)	15.04.2020	Permanent	Wide range of products including: - COVID-19 test kits - Face and eye protection - Foodstuffs - Gloves - Medical consumables - Medical devices and equipment - Pharmaceuticals - Protective garments - Sanitizers/ Disinfectants - Soap - Vaccines - Other medical supplies - Other products (e.g. vitamins)		In force
	12-month deferral of the scheduled fees and charges for Customs' clearance of imported and exported goods across New Zealand's border, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	01/04/2020	Unspecified	All products		Unspecified
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain soap, testing kits, diagnostic reagents (HS 3401; 3822), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	25/03/2020	66	COVID-19 Test kits Soap		Expired
Nigeria	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on essential medical supplies (HS Chapters 30; 38; 39; 40; 48; 61; 62; 65; 84; 90) used in the treatment of COVID-19 Imports also exempted from VAT	01/05/2020	184	COVID-19 Test kits Face and eye protection Gloves Medical devices and equipment Protective garments Vaccines		Expired
North Macedonia	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain products (HS Chapters 32; 39; 40; 41; 43; 44; 52; 54; 55; 56; 58; 59; 60; 64; 70; 71; 76; 82; 84; 85; 94), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	01/01/2021	364	Protective garments		In force
Pakistan	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on oxygen gas and its cylinders, and cryogenic tanks (HS 28044000; 73110090; 7311), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	01/07/2020	91	Other medical supplies		Expired
Panama	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain products (HS Chapters 28; 34; 38; 40;	19/03/2020	377	Gloves Protective garments Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Expired

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	48; 62; 63; 94), due to the COVID-19 pandemic			Soap		
Paraguay	Adjustment of fees related to the importation of goods, resulting in a 30-40% reduction in import costs, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	01/07/2020	183	Unspecified		Expired
	Extension of the temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain personal protective equipment, pharmaceutical products, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic (in NCM Chapters 22; 28; 29; 30; 34; 38; 39; 40; 56; 62; 63; 65; 90)	01/10/2020	181	COVID-19 Test kits Face and eye protection Gloves Medical devices and equipment Pharmaceuticals Protective garments Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Expired
	Extension of the temporary reduction of import tariffs on certain products included in Paraguay's exception list to the Mercosur Common Tariff (lista de excepciones) (NCM Chapters 18; 20; 22; 29; 34; 37; 39; 40; 42; 66; 67; 69; 70; 71; 73; 76; 82; 83; 84; 85; 90; 91; 92; 94; 95; 96), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	12/03/2020	110	Gloves Protective garments Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Expired
	Further extension of the temporary reduction of import tariffs on certain products included in Paraguay's exception list to the Mercosur Common Tariff (lista de excepciones) (NCM Chapters 18; 20; 22; 29; 34; 37; 39; 40; 42; 66; 67; 69; 70; 71; 73; 76; 82; 83; 84; 85; 87; 90; 91; 92; 94; 95; 96), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	01/01/2021	Unspecified	Gloves Protective garments Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Unspecified
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain personal protective equipment, pharmaceutical products, machinery and mechanical appliances, vehicles, transport equipment, medical or surgical instruments and apparatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic (in NCM Chapters 28; 38; 40; 62; 63; 84; 85; 86; 87; 89; 90; 94)	Unspecified	Unspecified	Face and eye protection Medical devices and equipment Other medical supplies Pharmaceuticals Protective garments		Unspecified
	Temporary reduction of VAT (to 5%) on imports of certain personal protective equipment and pharmaceutical products (NCM 22072019; 28289011; 29252923; 30039057; 30049047; 34022000; 38089419; 38089429; 38220090; 39069049; 39262000; 40151100; 40151900; 56031130; 56031240; 56031340; 62101000; 63079010; 63079090; 65050090; 90049020; 90183119; 90183924; 90183929; 90183999; 90189099; 90200090), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	20/03/2020	194	COVID-19 Test kits Face and eye protection Gloves Medical devices and equipment Pharmaceuticals Protective garments Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Expired

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	Temporary VAT reduction (to 05%) on imports of vaccines essential in combatting COVID-19	06/04/2021	269	Vaccines		In force
Peru	Temporary elimination of import tariffs (from 11% and 6%) on pharmaceutical products and personal protective equipment (77 tariff lines at 10-digit level, in HS Chapters 22; 28; 29; 30; 39; 40; 62; 63; 65; 90), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	01/03/2020	Unspecified	Face and eye protection Gloves Pharmaceuticals Protective garments Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Unspecified
Philippines	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on qualified manufacturers and suppliers of medicines, medical equipment and devices, personal protective equipment (PPEs), surgical equipment and supplies, laboratory equipment and re-agents and their packaging, medical supplies, tools and consumables (alcohol, sanitizers, thermometers),raw materials, COVID-19 testing kits, or any other articles needed in the supply chain such as capital equipment, spare parts, and accessories (HS Chapters 22; 28; 29; 30; 33; 34; 35; 37; 38; 39; 40; 44; 48; 52; 54; 55; 59; 62; 63; 65 70; 84; 90; 94; 96), due to the COVID-19 pandemic Imports also exempted from other taxes and fees (originally effective from 24 March 2020 to 23 May 2020)	Unspecified	Unspecified	COVID-19 Test kits Face and eye protection Gloves Protective garments Sanitizers/ Disinfectants Soap		Unspecified
Qatar	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain medical supplies and food products, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	Unspecified	272	Foodstuffs		Unspecified
Russian Federation	Extension of the list of imported medical products exempted from VAT (HS 29; 30; 38; 39; 40; 62; 63; 65; 84; 85; 90), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	06/04/2020	Unspecified	COVID-19 Test kits Face and eye protection Gloves Medical devices and equipment Protective garments		Unspecified
	Temporary (1 month) exemption from weight control of vehicles transporting food and non-food necessities in trailers and semi-trailers of the platform type with a tented top, as well as in vans, trailers, semi-trailers of the refrigerated and isothermal type, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	21/03/2020	35	Unspecified		Expired
Saint Kitts and Nevis	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain products, e.g. vegetables, fruits, fruit juices, cold preparations, vitamins, hand sanitizers, hands sanitizer dispensing machines, rubbing alcohol, gloves, masks, and cleansing or sanitizing wipes (HS Chapters 07; 08; 20; 21;	26/03/2020	Unspecified	Face and eye protection Foodstuffs Gloves Soap		Expired

Member	Measure type	First introduced on (date)	Duration (days)	Covered products	Renewed / extended / modified	Current status
	29; 30; 34; 39; 40; 48; 63; 90), due to the COVID-19 pandemic Imports also exempted from VAT					
Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of	Postponing the collection of customs duties on imports for a period of 30 days against the submission of a bank guarantee, for the next three months and setting the necessary criteria for extending the postponement period for the most affected activities as needed, due to the COVID-19 pandemic	Unspecified	Unspecified	Saudi Arabia, Kingdom of		Unspecified
Singapore	- Elimination of MFN applied duties for essential goods (G/MA/W/151) - Refrain from imposing export prohibitions or restrictions on essential goods (G/MA/W/151) - Expedite the movement of essential goods through sea and airports (G/MA/W/151)	15.04.2020	Permanent	Wide range of products including: - COVID-19 test kits - Face and eye protection - Foodstuffs - Gloves - Medical consumables - Medical devices and equipment - Pharmaceuticals - Protective garments - Sanitizers/ Disinfectants - Soap - Vaccines - Other medical supplies - Other products (e.g. vitamins) - Most agricultural products		In force
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on medicated samsu and other samsu (HS 2208), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	15/04/2020	Unspecified	Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Unspecified
	Temporary relaxation of import licensing requirements for hand sanitizers, masks, thermometers, and protective gear (HS 392620; 401511; 401519; 481850; 611610; 621010; 621020; 621030; 621040; 621050; 621600; 630790; 650500; 900490; 902000; 902519), due to the COVID-19 pandemic Importers do not require an importer's licence from the Health Science Authority of Singapore (HSA) Instead, importers only need to notify the HSA of their intention to import, as well as provide information on the brand and quantity of the devices to be imported into Singapore They must also maintain proper sales and distribution records, which might be required for submission when necessary (such as for a recall of products)	31/01/2020	Unspecified	Face and eye protection Medical devices and equipment Other medical supplies Protective garments Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Unspecified

Member	Measure type	First introduced on (date)	Duration (days)	Covered products	Renewed / extended / modified	Current status
South Africa	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on vaccines essential in combatting COVID-19 (HS 30022011; 30022019; 30022090) Imports also exempted from VAT	12/02/2021		Vaccines		In force
Spain	Extension of timeframes for payment of certain customs debts and related taxes (during the period 2 March 2020 to 30 May 2020), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	02/03/2020	89	Unspecified		Expired
Switzerland	- Suspension of customs duties (G/MA/W/154)	10.04.2020	182 days (until 09.10.2020)	- Face and eye protection - Gloves - Protective garments - Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Expired
	Temporary increase of the 2020 import quotas Nos 7 and 9 for birds' eggs, milk and cream, and butter (HS 04022111; 04022911; 04051011; 04051091; 04059010; 04072110; 04079010), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	02/04/2020	273	Foodstuffs		Expired
Chinese Taipei	Requirement by the Ministry of Economic Affairs in consultation with the Ministry of Health and Welfare and the Ministry of Finance, for importers of medical masks (HS 63079050) to apply in advance for an import approval from the Bureau of Foreign Trade (BOF), due to the COVID-19 pandemic Importers can apply for the advance approval on the BOF's Mask Import Approval Application System Requirement to declare product flow on the system every Monday following the customs clearance date	16/09/2020	Unspecified	Face and eye protection		Unspecified
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs (from 75%) on masks, filtering efficiency of 94% or more, of textile materials (HS 63079050), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	27/02/2020	89	Face and eye protection		Expired
	Temporary reduction of import tariffs (from 20% to 10%) on other undenatured ethyl alcohol of an alcoholic strength by volume exceeding 90% volume (HS 22071090), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	27/02/2020	181	Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Expired
Turkey	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on ethyl alcohol Temporary elimination of additional customs duties (13% and 20%) on breathing machines and medical masks, due to the COVID-19 pandemic (HS 22072000; 63079098; 90192000)	25/03/2020	174	Face and eye protection Medical devices and equipment Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Expired

Member	Measure type	First introduced on (date)	Duration (days)	Covered products	Renewed / extended / modified	Current status
Ukraine	Amendments introduced in the list of imported products to fight COVID-19 exempted from VAT (HS Chapters 28; 30; 38; 39; 48; 62; 63; 73; 90)	01/04/2021	Unspecified	COVID-19 Test kits Face and eye protection Gloves Protective garments		Unspecified
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on medicine, medical goods and medical equipment (HS Chapters 22; 28; 29; 30; 34; 38; 39; 40;42; 48; 61; 62; 63; 65; 70; 84; 85; 90; 94), due to the COVID-19 pandemic Imports also exempted from VAT	21/03/2020	123	COVID-19 Test kits Face and eye protection Gloves Medical devices and equipment Protective garments Sanitizers/ Disinfectants Soap		Expired
United Kingdom	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain medical items which are critical in the response to COVID-19 All products listed by the World Health Organization in June 2020 as COVID-19 critical are able to enter the UK tariff free These tariffs suspension will be in place for 12 months and will be subject to review	01/01/2021	365	Products listed by WHO as COVID-19 critical		In force
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain medical supplies, equipment and protective garments (HS Chapters 22; 28; 30; 34; 38; 39; 40; 48; 56; 61; 62; 63; 65; 84; 90), due to the COVID-19 pandemic Imports also exempted from VAT	27/03/2020	126	COVID-19 Test kits Face and eye protection Gloves Medical devices and equipment Protective garments Sanitizers/ Disinfectants Soap		Expired
United States	Temporary exclusion of certain products from the additional duty of 25% on a list of products from China (imposed on 1 September 2019) Published on 20 March 2020 but effective retroactively from 1 September 2019	01/09/2019	365	Protective garments		Expired
	Temporary exclusion of certain products from the additional duty of 25% on a list of 19 products from China (imposed on 1 September 2019) Published on 20 March 2020 but effective retroactively from 1 September 2019	01/09/2019	365	Protective garments Soap		Expired
	Temporary postponement of the time to deposit certain estimated duties, taxes, and fees during the national emergency concerning the COVID-19 outbreak 90 calendar-day deferment period on formal entry payments for importers with significant financial hardship (applicably to payments for goods imported in March and April	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified		Unspecified

Member	Measure type	First introduced on (date)	Duration (days)	Covered products	Renewed / extended / modified	Current status
	2020) Imports subject to AD/CVD duties, and Section 201, 232 and 301 trade remedies are not included in this relief effort No interest will accrue for postponed payments of estimated duty, taxes, and fees during the 90-day postponement period					
Uruguay	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on certain personal protective equipment and pharmaceutical products, due to the COVID-19 pandemic (NCM Chapters 28; 30; 34; 35; 38; 39; 40; 56; 62; 63; 65; 90; 94) Imports also exempted from other duties and taxes	24/03/2020	Unspecified	Face and eye protection Gloves Pharmaceuticals Protective garments Soap		Unspecified
Viet Nam	Temporary import taxes exemption on medical and certain personal protective equipment used in the fight of COVID-19 pandemic (HS Chapters 38; 39; 56; 60; 63; 72; 73; 76)	07/02/2020	Unspecified	Face and eye protection Gloves Other medical supplies Pharmaceuticals Protective garments		Unspecified
	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on non-woven fabrics for the production of protection clothing used in the fight of COVID-19 pandemic (HS 5603)	27/03/2020	Unspecified	Protective garments		Unspecified
Zambia	Extension of the list of medical supplies used in the fight against COVID-19 (to 38 items) exempted of import tariffs Imports also exempted from VAT (e.g. PPE, disinfectants, ethyl alcohol, thermometers, sterilization products, ventilators) (HS 22071000; 22089000)	01/04/2020	182	Face and eye protection Gloves Medical devices and equipment Protective garments Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Expired
Zimbabwe	Temporary elimination of import tariffs on undenatured ethyl alcohol; hydrogen peroxide; immunological products, put up in measured doses or in forms or packings for retail sales; thermometers and pyrometers; and medical equipment (HS 22071090; 22089099; 28470000; 30021500; 90251100; 90251900; 90278000), due to the COVID-19 pandemic	30/03/2020	Unspecified	Medical devices and equipment Other medical supplies Sanitizers/ Disinfectants		Unspecified

ANNEX 3
TYPES OF MEASURES USED IN ANNEX 1

Symbol	Types of measures
CP-X	Conditional export prohibition or ban
GQ-X	Global quota
NAL-X	Non-automatic export licensing procedure
P-X	Export prohibition or ban

ANNEX 4
DEFINITION OF PRODUCT CATEGORIES[1]

Product category	HS2017 codes	Description of the products
COVID-19 Test kits	3822.00	COVID-19 Test kits
	3002.15	COVID-19 Test kits
	9027.80	COVID-19 Diagnostic Test instruments and apparatus
	3821.00	Swab and Viral transport medium set
Face and eye protection	4818.90	Cellulose/paper masks
	6307.90	Textile face-masks, without a replaceable filter or mechanical parts, including surgical masks and disposable face-masks made of non-woven textiles. This includes the masks known as N95 Particulate Respirators.
	9020.00	Gas masks with mechanical parts or replaceable filters for protection against biological agents. Also includes such masks incorporating eye protection or facial shields.
	9004.90	Protective spectacles and goggles
	3926.90	Plastic face shields (covering more than the eye area)
Foodstuffs	Various	All substances that are used as food or to make food.
Gloves	3926.20	Plastic gloves
	4015.11	Surgical rubber gloves
	4015.19	Other rubber gloves.
	6116.10	Knitted or crocheted gloves which have been impregnated or covered with plastics or rubber
	6216.00	Textile gloves that are not knitted or crocheted
Medical devices and equipment	9019.20	Medical ventilators (artificial respiration apparatus), Extracorporeal membrane oxygenation (ECMO), Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP) units, Bilevel positive airway pressure (BiPap or BPap) units, Oxygen concentrators, Oxygen humidifiers for oxygen therapy applications, Oxygen delivery devices to supply oxygen from the device to the patient
	9026.80	Flowmeter, Thorpe tube for oxygen 0-15L/min
	9019.20	Flow splitters
	9018.19	Pulse oximeters
	9022.12	Computed tomography (CT) scanners
	9018.12	Ultrasound machines
	9018.11	Electrocardiograph
	9018.19	Multiparametric Patient Monitoring devices

[1] Whenever possible, product categories are based on the WCO/WHO HS classification reference for Covid-19 medical supplies 3.01 Edition available at hs-classification-reference_edition-3_en.pdf (wcoomd.org).

Product category	HS2017 codes	Description of the products
	9018.19 or 9018.90	Laryngoscopes
	9027.80	Colorimetric end tidal CO2 detector
	9025.19	Infrared thermometers/ digital thermometers
	9018.90	Stethoscopes
	9018.90	Magill intubation forceps
	9018.90	Intubation kits
	8413.19 or 9018.90	Infusion pump, with or without accessories
	9028.20	Electronic drop counter, IV fluids
	9018.90	Medical suction pumps
	9018.90	Medical drills for vascular access
	7324.90	Kidney basins
Pharmaceuticals	Various of Chapters 28, 29, 30	All medications and pharmaceutical products and ingredients that have specifically been mentioned to be in relation with the COVID-19 pandemic.
Protective garments	3926.20	Protective unisex garments made of plastic sheeting, textile reinforced plastics or textile backed plastics.
	4015.90	Protective unisex garments made of rubber sheeting, textile reinforced rubber or textile backed rubber.
	4818.50	Paper or cellulose garments and clothing accessories such as disposable paper hospital gowns, paper shoe covers etc. These are covered here *provided* that they are made of paper, paper pulp, cellulose wadding or webs of cellulose fibres. Please check with the Customs administration in the importing country if they are not solely paper or cellulose as they may be classified elsewhere.
	6210.10	Protective garments for surgical/medical use made up of felt or nonwovens whether or not impregnated, coated, covered or laminated (fabrics of heading 56.02 or 56.03). This includes spun-bonded garments.
	6210.40	Men's protective garments for surgical/medical use made of woven textiles of that are impregnated, coated, covered or laminated with plastics.
	6210.40	Men's protective garments made of rubberised textile fabrics.
	6210.50	Women's or unisex protective garments for surgical/medical use made of woven textiles of that are impregnated, coated, covered or laminated with plastics.
	6210.50	Women's or unisex protective garments made of rubberised textile fabrics.

Product category	HS2017 codes	Description of the products
	3926.20	"Protective apron" – made of plastic, disposable
	3926.90 4016.99	Boot covers/overshoes – made of plastic or rubber, disposable
	4818.90	Boot covers/overshoes – made of cellulose/paper, disposable
	6307.90	Boot covers/overshoes – made of non-woven textiles, disposable
Sanitizers/ Disinfectants	2207.10	Alcohol solution
	2208.90	Alcohol solution
	3808.94	Hand sanitizer
	3808.94	Other disinfectant preparations
	8419.20	Medical, surgical or laboratory sterilisers, including autoclaves
	2847.00	Hydrogen peroxide in bulk
	3004.90	Hydrogen peroxide presented as a medicament
	3808.94	Hydrogen peroxide put up in disinfectant preparations for cleaning surfaces
	3808.94	Other chemical disinfectants
	2905.12	Propan-1-ol (propyl alcohol) and propan-2-ol (isopropyl alcohol)
	2915.11 2915.12	Formic acid and its salts
	2918.21	Salicylic acid and its salts
	8539.49	Ultra-violet lamps
	8539.50	Ultra-violet LED lamps
	8543.70	Ultra-violet irradiation equipment for disinfection purpose
Soap	3401.20	Soap
	3401.11	Soap
	3401.30	Liquid or cream hand or skin washes put up for retail sale
Toilet paper	4803.00	Toilet paper
	4818.10	Toilet paper
Vaccines	3002.20	Vaccines for human medicine
	3002.30	Vaccines for veterinary medicine
Other medical supplies	Various	Other medical supplies, such as medical consumable, e.g. oxygen, syringes, that are not part of any of the product categories mentioned above.