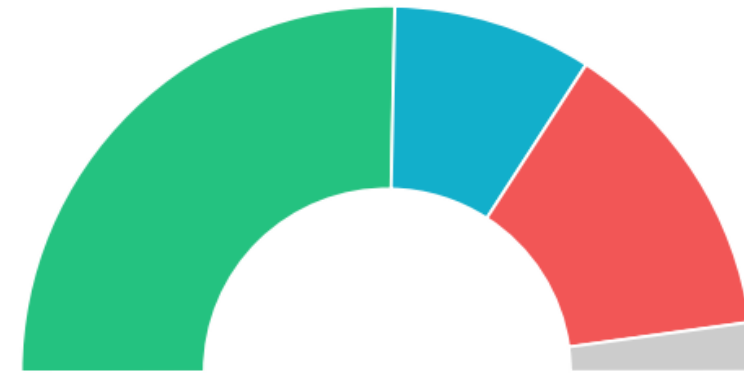
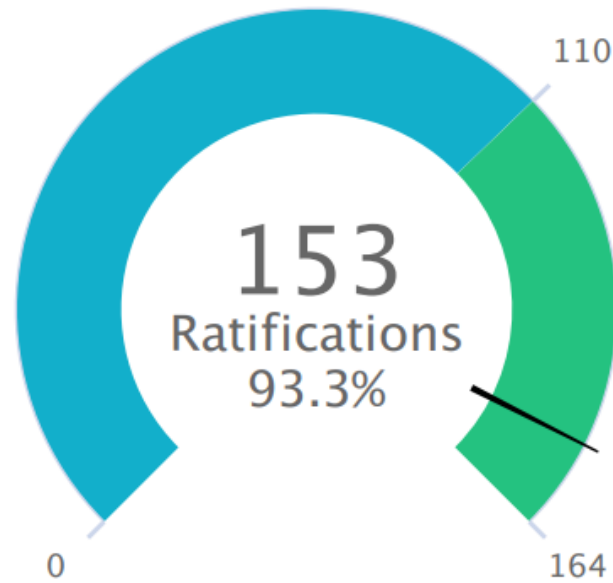


19th Meeting of the CAREC Customs Cooperation Committee (CCC)

08 September 2020

**Session 1: Importance of trade facilitation and the role
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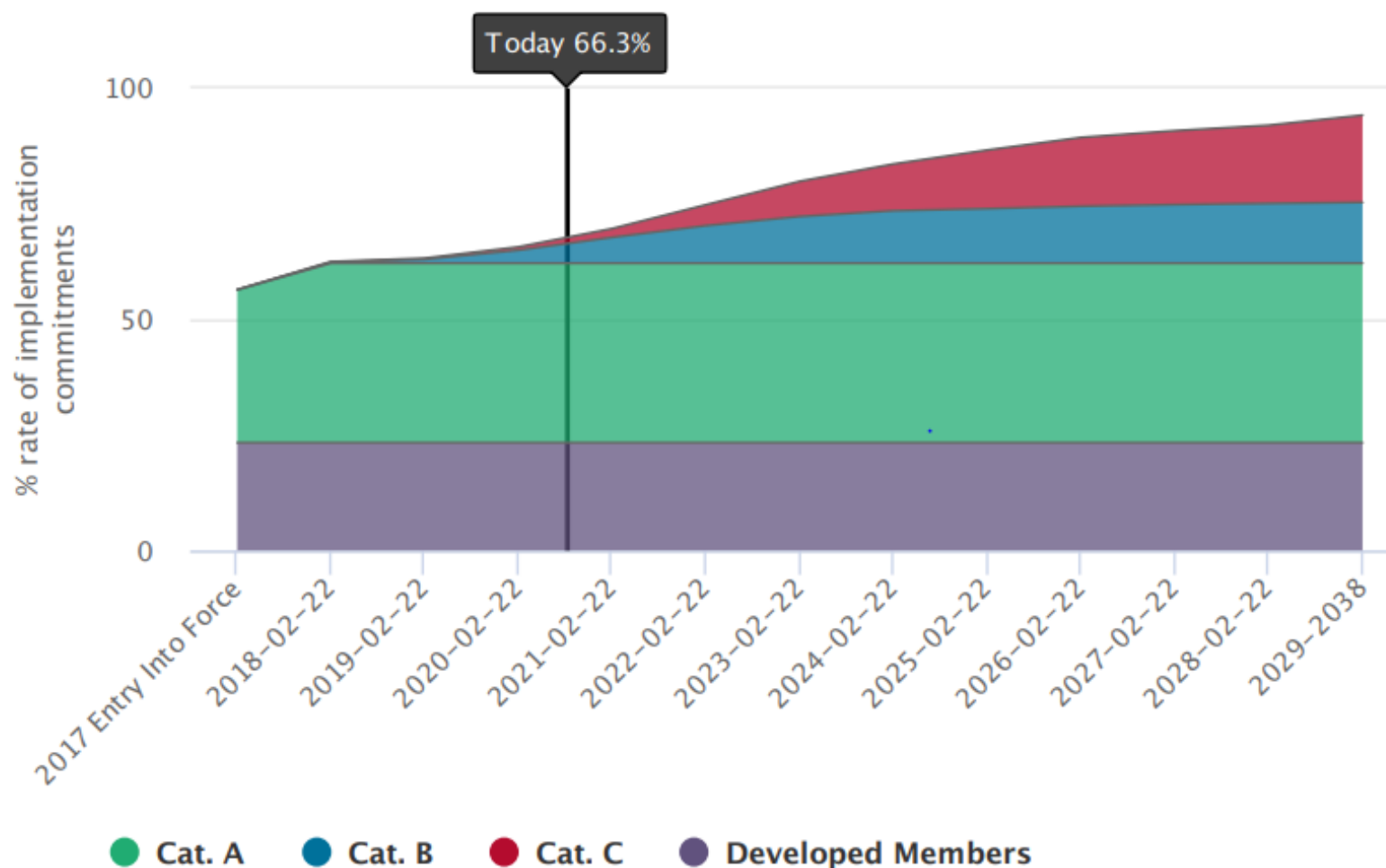
TFA Implementation Notifications



● A – 50.7% ● B – 17.6% ● C – 27.4% ● Not yet notified – 4.3%

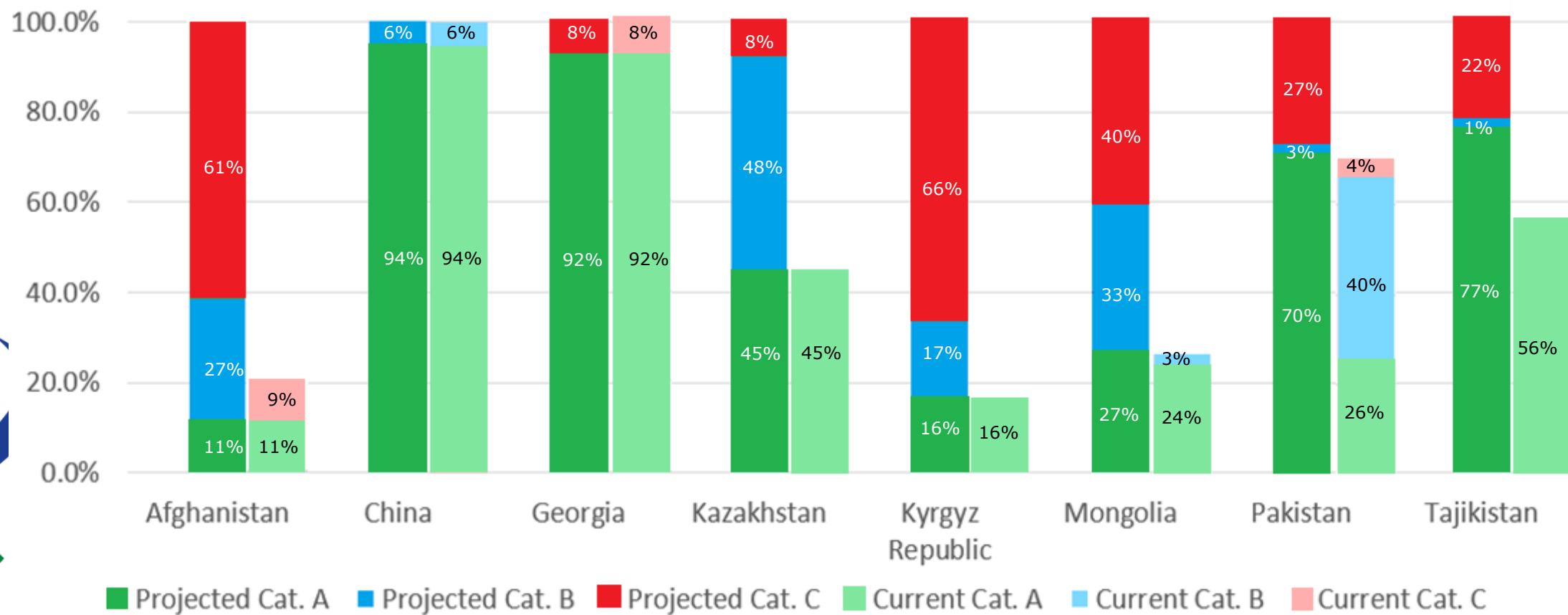
Timeline of implementation commitments

Based on implementation commitments by all WTO Members over time

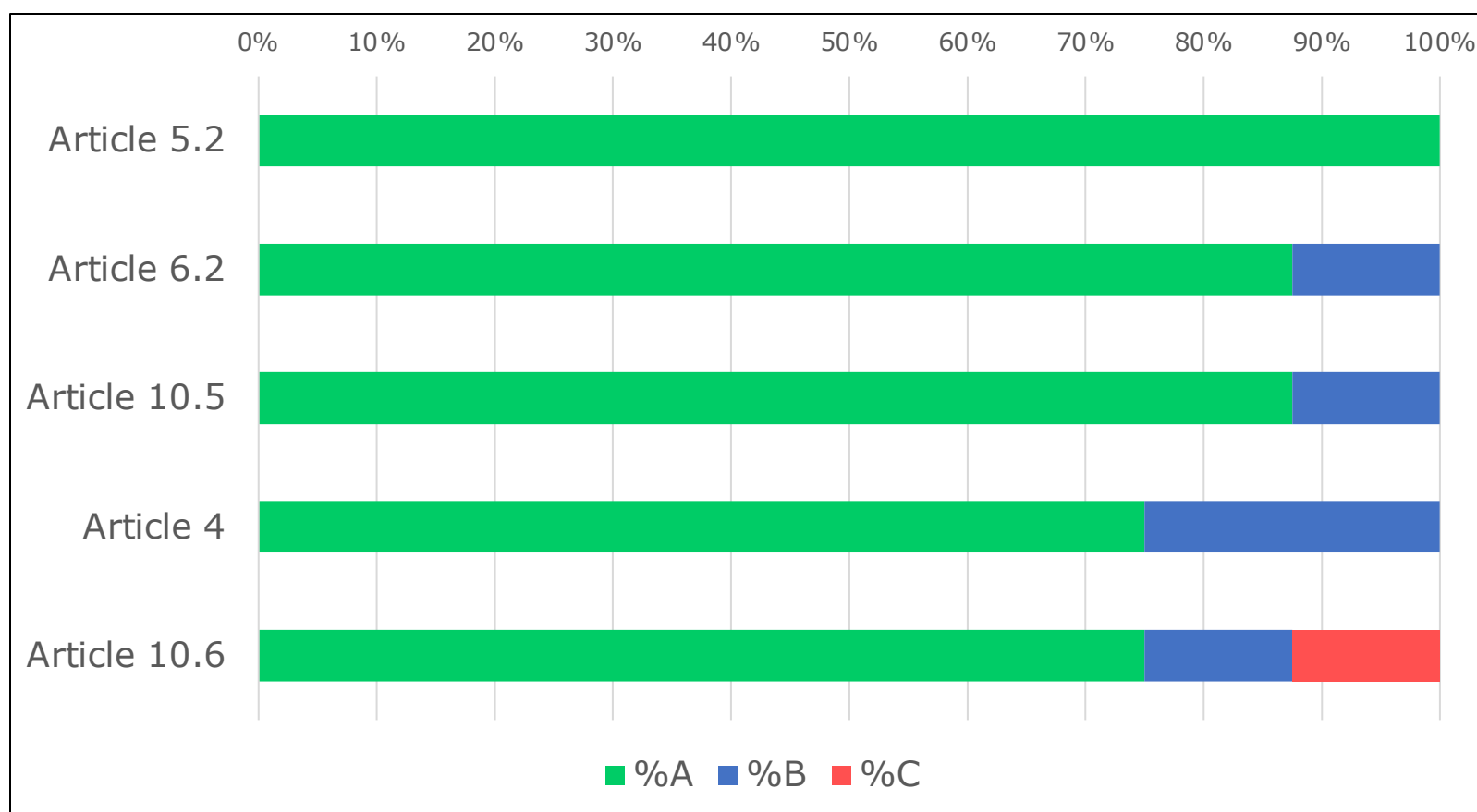


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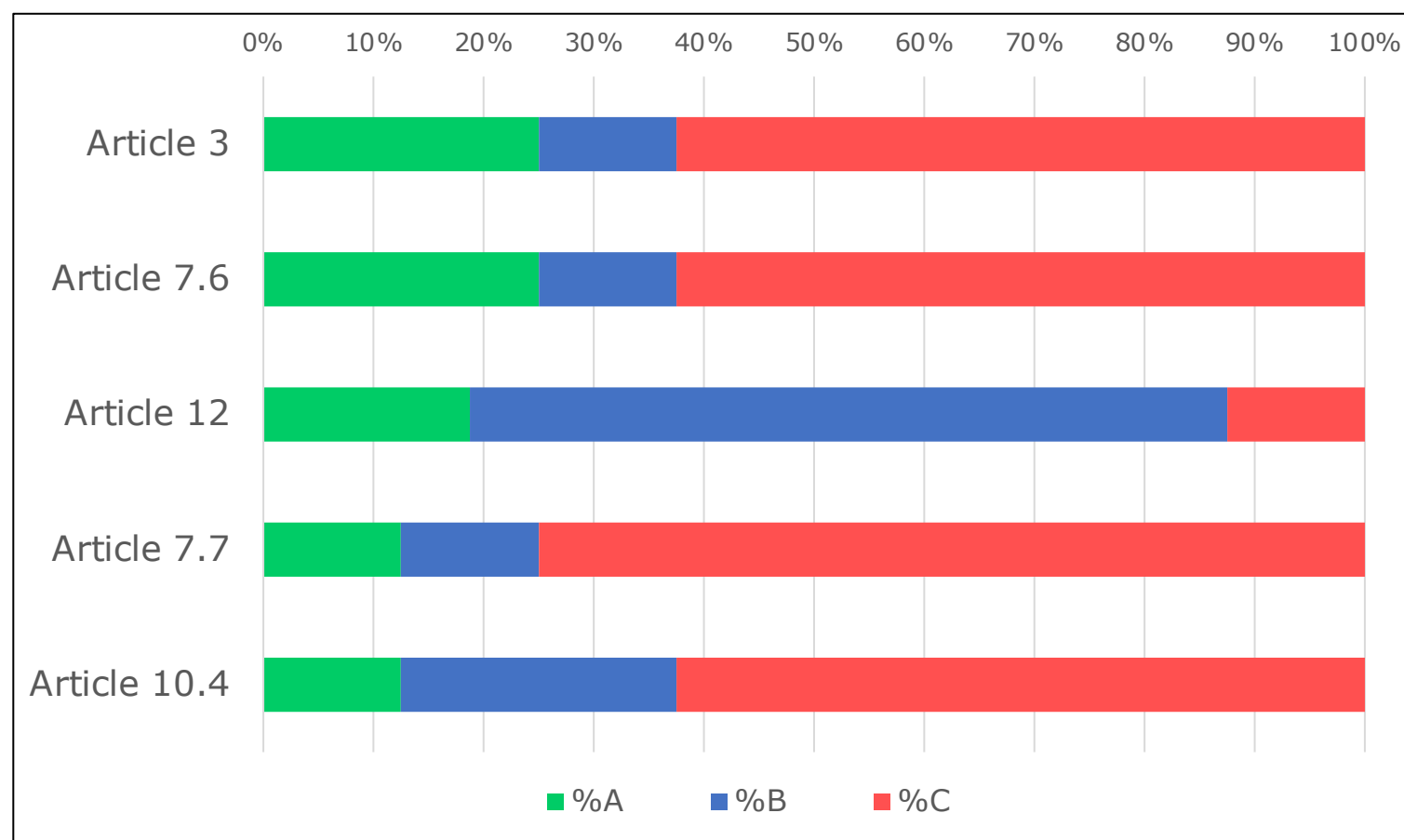
Rate of implementation of the TFA – WTO CAREC Members



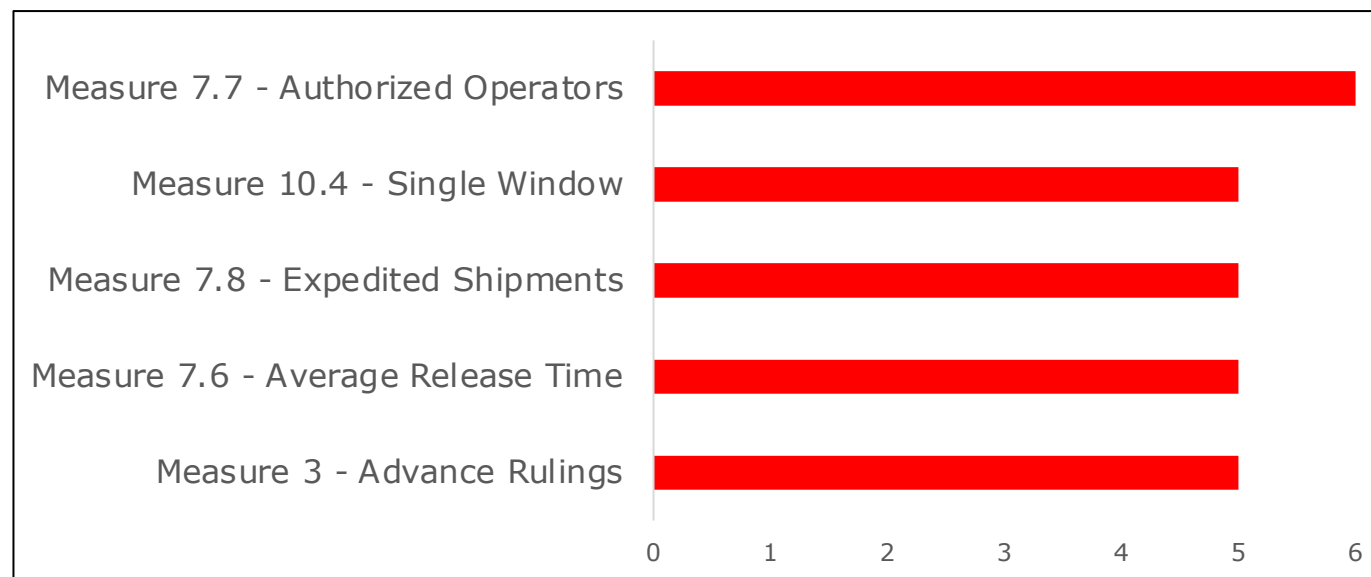
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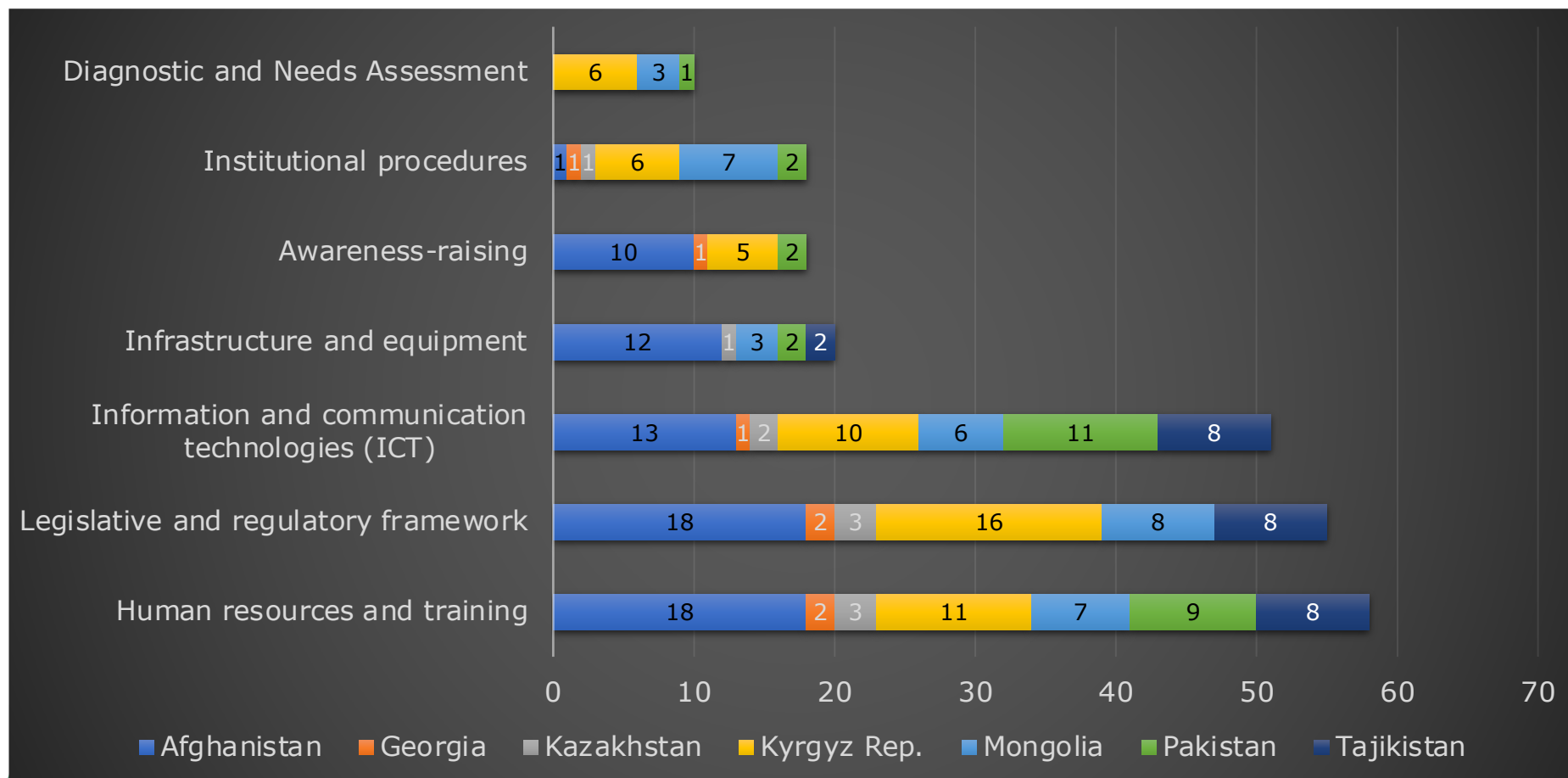
5 TFA measures with lowest implementation rate – WTO CAREC Members



Top 5 TFA measures notified in category C in WTO CAREC Members



Technical Assistance requests by WTO CAREC Members



Additional flexibilities under the TFA that are being implemented by Members and which are relevant in the Covid-19 context



- ✓ Shifting between category B and category C provisions
- ✓ Requesting extension to the definitive date for implementation of category B and category C provisions

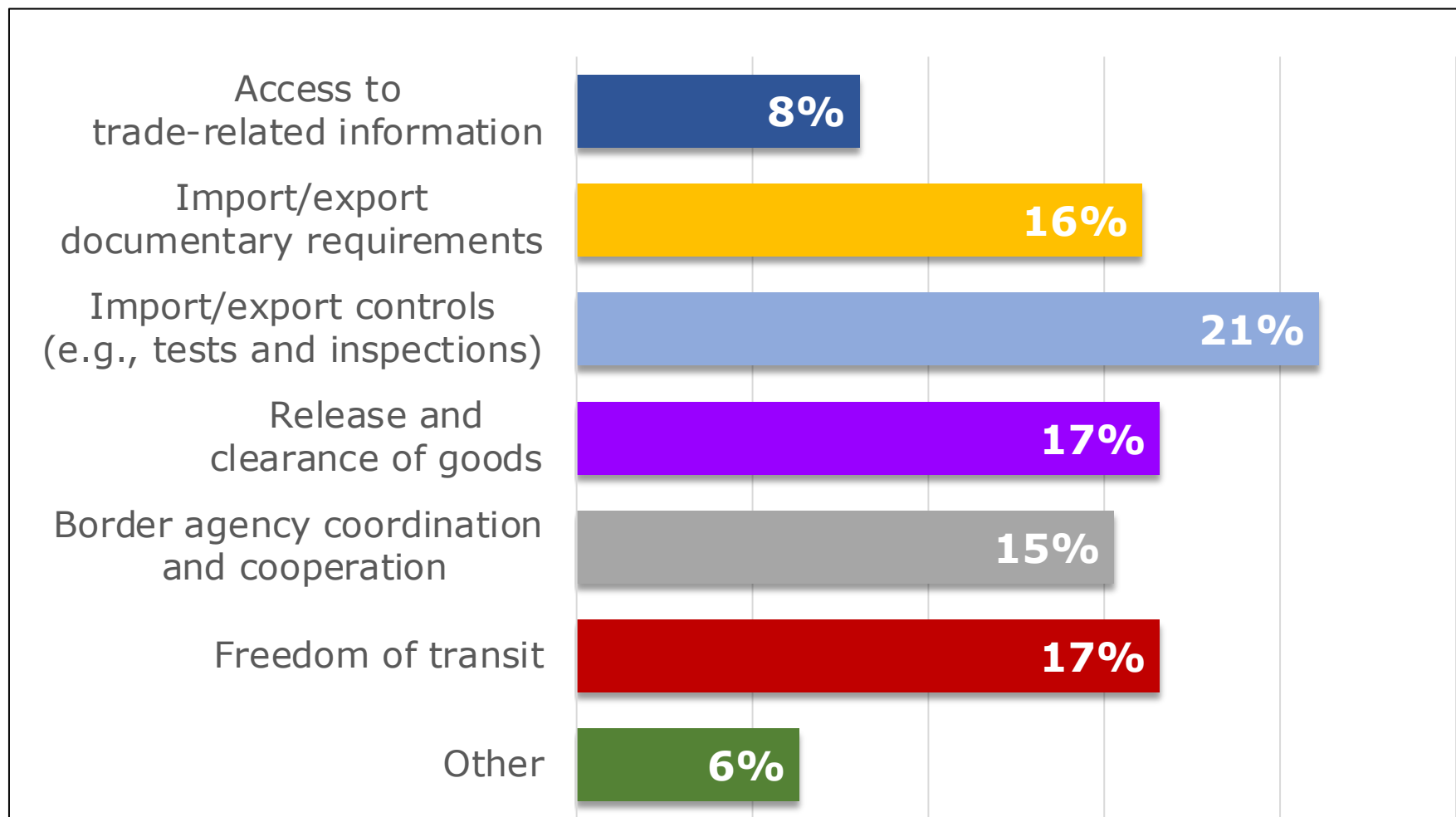
Trade Facilitation and COVID-19



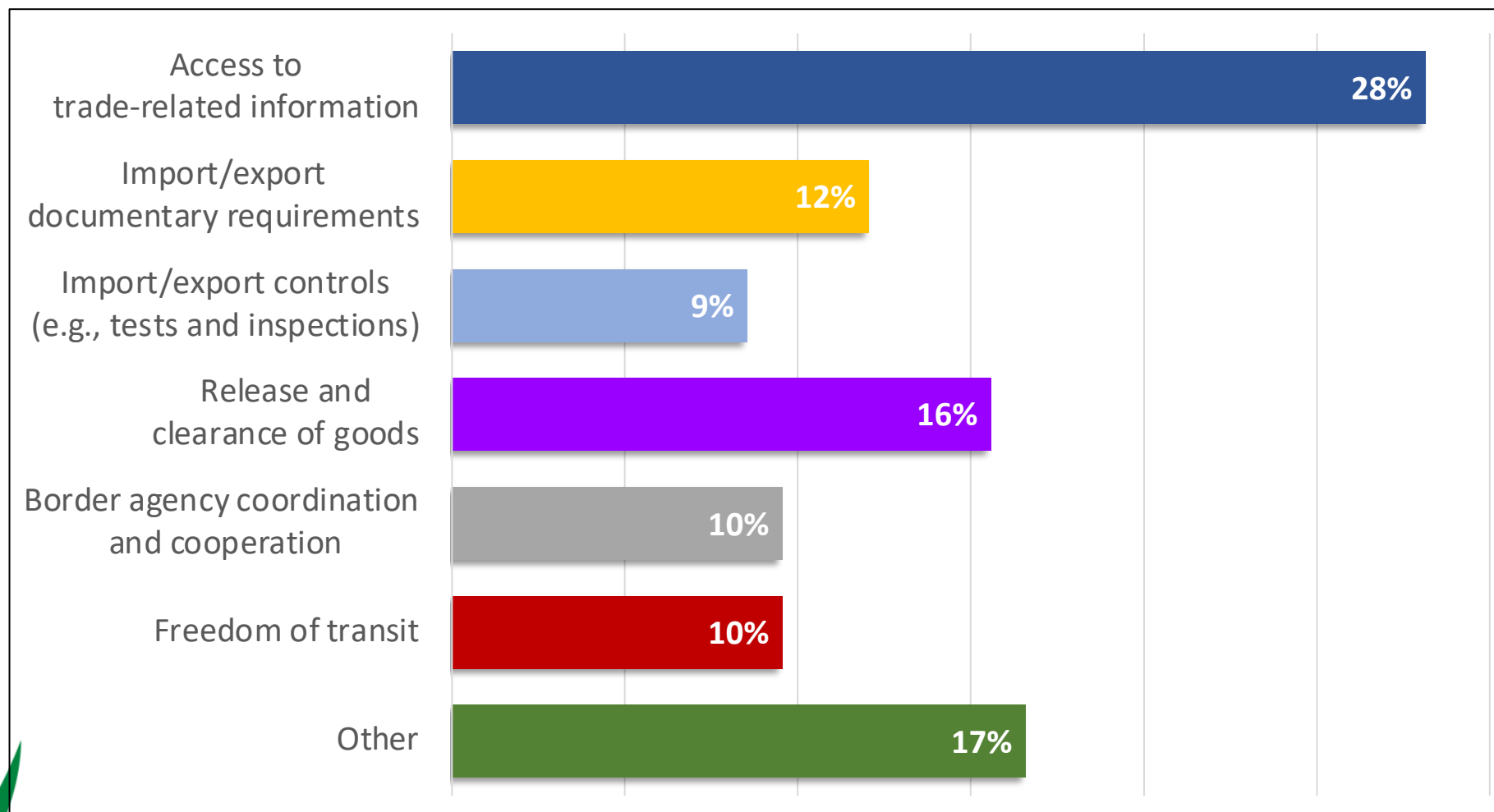
Survey

March to May 2020

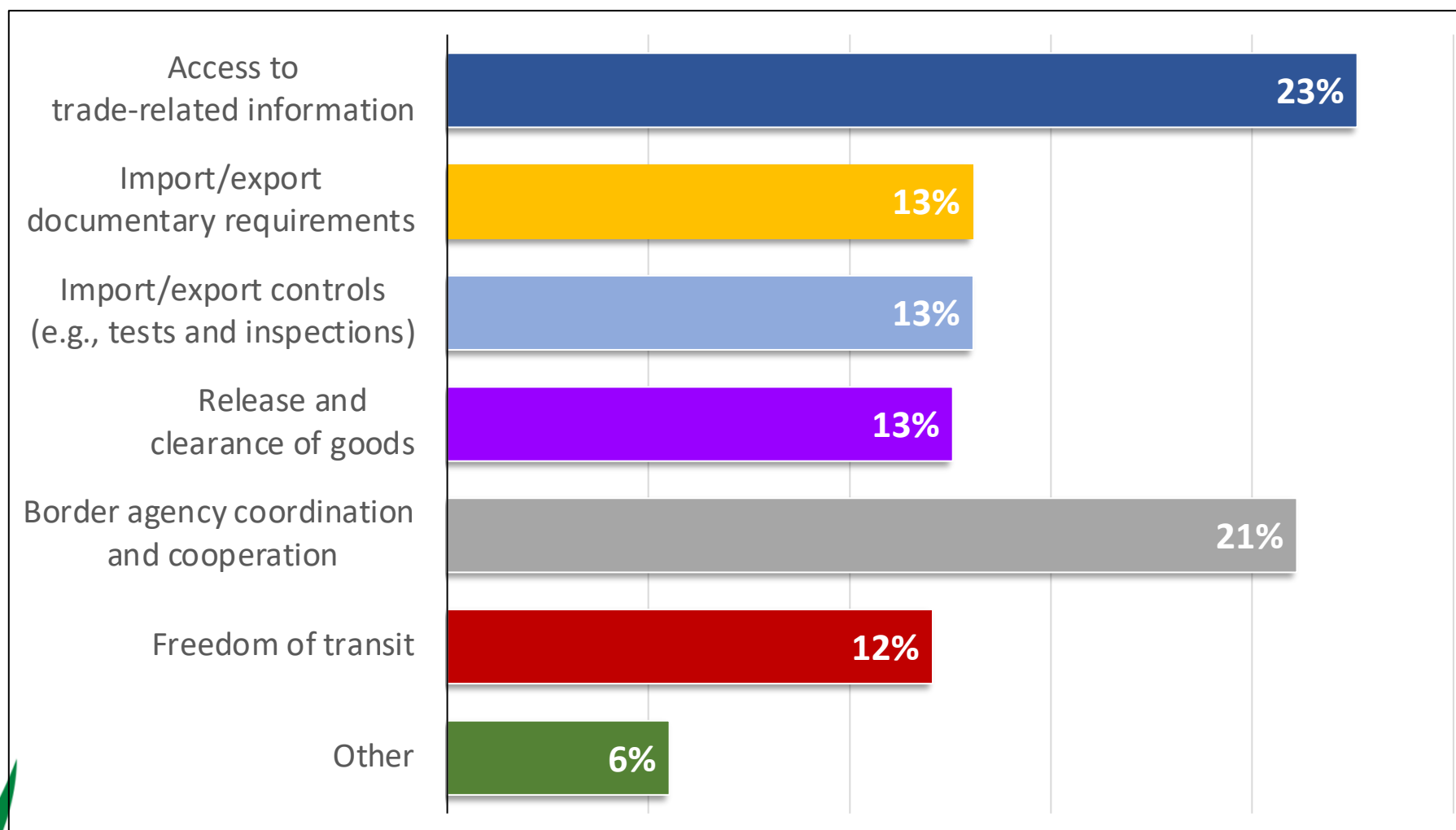
Which trade-related processes are MORE cumbersome
or time-consuming in the Covid-19 context?



Which trade-related processes are LESS cumbersome or time-consuming in the Covid-19 context?



Which trade related processes would have the most positive impact if implemented in the Covid-19 context



Survey Conclusion and Recommendations

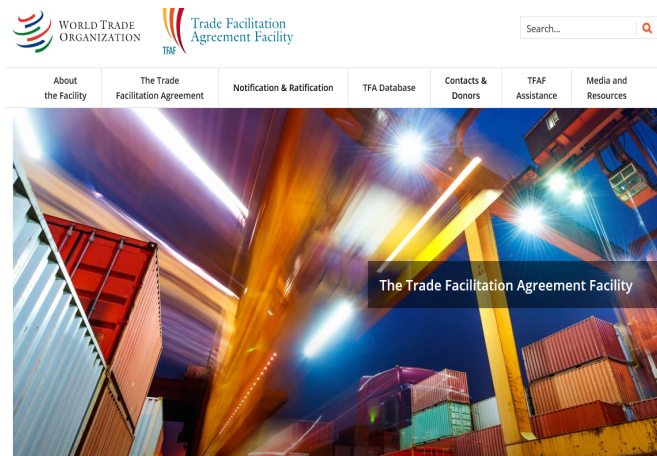
- ✓ Survey indicated that all border processes were more cumbersome and time consuming
- ✓ Border agency cooperation to reduce and streamline procedures would help improve all the other processes
- ✓ Survey highlighted the vital importance of making information available in an easily accessible manner.
- ✓ Survey underlined the benefits of aiming for full implementation of the TFA, including best endeavour provisions such as single window and electronic window
- ✓ Survey recommendation is for WTO Members to review their implementation priorities and timelines in consultation with their private sector

WTO Committee on Trade Facilitation



- The next meeting of the WTO's Trade Facilitation Committee will be held from 20 to 21 October 2020
 - Dedicated Session on the provision of technical assistance and capacity support will be held on 22 October 2020
 - Informal webinar to discuss the Covid-19 trade facilitating work being carried out by international organizations and WTO Members will be held on 30 September 2020
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- ☐ The October Committee meeting will provide an opportunity for Members to share their experiences with implementing the TFA in the Covid-19 context.
 - ☐ The Dedicated Session, in particular, will look at the implementation challenges resulting from the Covid-19 situation and the impact that it has had on Members' need for and access to technical assistance and capacity-building support.





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- ✓ COVID-19: Survey Report TF & COVID Repository
- ✓ How to Prepare Notifications
- ✓ Grant program
- ✓ Resources on TFA, donors, etc.



- ✓ Current status of TFA notifications
- ✓ Statistical analysis of TFA implementation notifications
- ✓ Implementation roadmap of each WTO Member
- ✓ Information on the WTO Committee on trade facilitation
- ✓ Repository of experience-sharing presentations by Members

Thank you