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The Trade Policy Review Body (referred to herein as the "TPRB") is hereby  
ned to carry out trade policy reviews.

ne trade policies and practices of all Members shall be subject to periodic review.  
act of individual Members on the functioning of the multilateral trading system,  
in terms of their share of world trade in a recent representative period, will be the  
ning factor in deciding on the frequency of reviews. The first four trading entities  
ified (counting the European Communities as one) shall be subject to review every  
rs. The next 16 shall be reviewed every four years. Other Members shall be  
d every six years, except that a longer period may be fixed for least-developed  
Members. It is understood that the review of entities having a common external  
covering more than one Member shall cover all components of policy affecting trade  
g relevant policies and practices of the individual Members. Exceptionally, in the  
f changes in a Member's trade policies or practices that may have a significant  
on its trading partners, the Member concerned may be requested by the TPRB,  
nsultation, to bring forward its next review.

Discussions in the meetings of the TPRB shall be governed by the objectives set  
paragraph A. The focus of these discussions shall be on the Member's trade  
and practices, which are the subject of the assessment under the review  
ism.

(iv) The TPRB shall establish a basic plan for the conduct of the reviews. It may also  
discuss and take note of update reports from Members. The TPRB shall establish a









**ANNEX 2**

**Proposed Format of Written Questions for Reference**

By the end of 2019, the TPRB has conducted 501 reviews since its inception in 1989, at 389 review meetings. The reviews have covered 157 out of 164 Members.<sup>7</sup> The TPRB has conducted reviews of 16 Members in 2019, including a joint review of the members of the East Africa Community (EAC) (Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania y Uganda).<sup>8</sup>

### ANNEX 3

#### Trade policy reviews conducted in 2019 <sup>9</sup>

Member	Meeting date	Review cycle (years)
Ecuador <sup>a</sup> (3)	5 and 7 March	7
East African Community (EAC) – Burundi <sup>b</sup> (3), Kenya (5), Rwanda <sup>b</sup> (3), Tanzania <sup>b</sup> (4), and Uganda <sup>b</sup> (5)	20 and 22 March	7
Bangladesh <sup>a,b</sup> (5)	3 and 5 April	7
	10 and 12 April	7
Papua New Guinea (3)	8 and 10 May	7
Trinidad and Tobago <sup>a</sup> (4)	22 and 24 May	7

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### **1.3.3 Reviews of least-developed country Members**

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### **1.4.3 Reports by the Secretariat**

17. The TPRB's Rules of Procedure prescribe that "Secretariat reports should focus principally on the trade policies and practices of the Member under review, seen, to the extent necessary, in the context of overall macro-economic and structural policies."<sup>28</sup> On this subject, the TPRB's 2008 report on its Third Appraisal:

"Secretariat reports should remain closely focused on the trade policies and practices of the Member under review, considered against the background of its wider economic environment. The Secretariat should also continue to prepare comprehensive and focused reports that through objective, analytical presentations assist the TPRB to arrive at a collective, fully informed evaluation ( e)2 (v)11.4 (a)7Mt a ce47tetves47tetefae3u Tc 11 T (")fl.ov4.3 (d)2.Tv

through the WTO website, should reflect any revisions made after the distribution of the meeting documents."<sup>32</sup>

### **1.5 Follow-up work**

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