

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

**Government Decision no. 1035 of October 16, 2000
Chisinau**

On the Implementation of the Commitments of Moldova to World Trade Organisation

Considering the necessity to take urgent measures in order to improve the situation in foreign trade and to integrate the national economy into the international trade system, and in conformity with the commitments to the World Trade Organisation (WTO), the Government of Moldova hereby DECIDES:

1. To approve a list of measures on the implementation of the commitments taken by Moldova to WTO (as attached hereto).
2. The responsibility for the implementation of the scheduled measures shall lie with ministers and general directors of departments.
To resolve that, should a minister or the general director of a department be withdrawn from office, the responsibility for the implementation of the above commitments is to pass to the person appointed to the relevant office.
3. To implement the measures, as above approved, the ministries and departments shall:
Develop and approve calendar plans to arrange for a comprehensive implementation of each clause;
Monthly submit to the Ministry of Economy and Reform information on the implementation of the actions they are responsible for.
4. The Ministry of Economy and Reform shall:
Summarize on the information submitted by the relevant ministries and departments, and report to the Government at the end of each month on the implementation of the scheduled measures;
Monthly submit an informational summary regarding the efficiency of the suggested actions, to be examined at a Government session.
5. The Ministry of Economy and Reform shall be appointed the coordinating body to coordinate the actions of the relevant ministries and departments in the issues of Moldova's accession to the WTO. All the documents developed for the purposes of official notification must be countersigned by the WTO Division issues in the relevant ministry.
6. Coordination of actions to provide technical assistance in the sphere of trade, implemented with support of the donor community, shall be made a function of the WTO Division within the Ministry of Economy and Reform.
7. Control over the implementation of this decision shall be the responsibility of the Prime-Minister of Moldova.

**Prime Minister of the
Republic of Moldova**

Dumitru Bragish

**Countersigned:
Vice-Prime-Minister,**

Minister of Economy and Reform

Andrei Cucu (Signature)

The list of the measures for fulfilling the commitments of Republic of Moldova towards WTO

No.	Measures	Timetable	Executors	Responsible
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- 3** - Creation of Information Centers on the technical regulations and/or standards normative documents;
- Obligatory information submission to WTO/TBT Informational Center regarding technical regulations that are in the elaboration and approval process ;
 - Proposals to WTO/TBT Informational Center regarding the technical regulations and their final versions, for their subsequent publication in “Standards Bulletin” - the official publication of Department of Technical Supervision Standardization and Metrology.

	not provide a less advantageous treatment compared to like national products. - imported goods shall not be subjected, directly or indirectly, to internal taxes or any other internal taxes higher than those applied, directly or indirectly, to domestic goods.			
6.	The obligatory notifications prepared according to the WTO Agreements will be submitted to the Ministry of Economy and Reforms with 10 days before the deadline set for WTO Secretariat notification. (The list of obligatory notifications was approved by Government Decision no. 933 from 11 October 1999 "on the commitments of Republic of Moldova within the accession to WTO")	Permanently	Ministries and Departments	Mr. A. Cucu
7.	Elaboration of guidelines on the implementation of WTO Agreements.	6 months	Ministries and Departments WTO Division	Mr. A. Cucu

II Specific commitments for certain Institutions

- 8.** Priority for financing the attendance of experts at the negotiations of Moldova's accession to WTO p.01 Tity ovaj-aD 0hc to WTO o-3732.52p6 ref9.5

according to the commitments of the Republic of
Moldova within agriculture

and Processing Industry;
Ministry of Economy and
Reforms; Ministry of
Finance

	agreements signed with other states and the documents of accession to the customs unions to which Republic of Moldova is a party, as well as the guarantees of the notifications on future free trade agreements.	permanently		
19.	Writing annual reports on the privatisation programs and their submission to the Ministry of Economy and Reforms for the notification to WTO Secretariat	Annually	Department of Privatisation and State Property Administration	Mr. A. Cucu
20.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Elaboration and completion of the data base on the notification made by the WTO member countries on the measures applied in light of the WTO Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade and the Agreement on the Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (English and Romanian version); - Submission of the summary of these notifications to line institutions and interested parties, in Romanian language - Elaboration of the training program for the experts within ministries, departments and other institutions responsible for the elaboration and adoption of technical regulations on the methodology of their elaboration. 	Permanently; monthly	Department of Standards,	

	technical regulations through the “Standardisation Bulletin”- the official publication of the Department of Standards, Metrology and Technical Supervision; providence of the accession to the standards, technical regulations and their drafts and the specification of the opportunities to comment and publish their final versions.			
22.	Ensuring the transparency within usual procedures for standards and technical regulations elaboration, as well as elaborating the procedures and requirements of conformity degree evaluation.	Permanently	Department of Standards, Metrology and Technical Supervision	Mr. M. Raducan
23.	Creation and providing the functioning of the informational centre responsible for the notification, according to the WTO Agreement on the application of the sanitary and phytosanitary measures, exchange of the information within the Ministry of Agriculture and Processing Industry. Informations regarding the approved and draft sanitary measures, including testing methods used for the certifying the hygiene with the informational centre WTO/TBT.	6 months; permanently	Ministry of Agriculture and Processing Industry; Ministry of Health	Mr. I. Russu Mr. V. Parasca
24.	Evaluation of the financial needs for harmonising the sanitary measures with the provisions of WTO Agreements.	3 months	Ministry of Health	Mr. V. Parasca
25.	Organising seminars for the institutions, organisations and interested enterprises on the implementation of the “WTO Agreement on the application of the sanitary and phytosanitary measures”.	Permanently	Ministry of Agriculture and Processing Industry; Ministry of Health; The State Inspectorate for Phytosanitary Quarantine	Mr. I. Russu, Mr. V. Parasca,

			Division of Veterinary Medicine with State Veterinary Inspectorate; Department of Standards, Metrology and Technical Supervision	Mr. N. Soia, Mr. I. Bahau, Mr. M. Raducan
26.	Analysing the possibilities for reducing the term of disputes settlement related to intellectual property, according to the WTO Agreement on TRIP's.	2 months	AGEPI	Mr. E. Stascov
27.	Elaboration and approval of internal regulations and instructions which provide the execution of the Customs Code provisions, targeting the special measures at customs in order to provide the compliance with the provisions of WTO Agreement on TRIPS. Together with interested institutions and persons, to create an informational system containing data upon the infringement of intellectual property rights at border, as well as the cases where the customs authorities have provided the necessary assistance to the intellectual property holder.	1 month Permanently	Customs Control Department	Mr. A. Stratan
28.	Elaboration of the instructions on dispute settlements regarding the: - Determination of the notoriety of the marks; - Calculation of the damage caused to the intellectual property holder.	2 months	AGEPI	Mr. E. Stascov
29.	Waiving consular fees for the legalisation of the documentation related to the import of goods into	Permanently	The Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Mr. N. Tabacaru Mr. M. Manoli

	Republic of Moldova.			
30.	The annual elaboration of the Budget Law considering the financial needs of the institutions responsible for executing their duties under the present decision and the compliance with the commitments of Republic of Moldova within WTO.	Annual	Ministry of Finance	Mr. M. Manoli

III . Commitments related to the implementation of the WTO Agreements

- 31.** Compliance with the provisions and the full implementation of the following WTO Agreements:

32.	Finalisation of the necessary documents required for obtaining the statute of observer with WTO Agreement on Public Oreement			Mr. E. Stascov
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