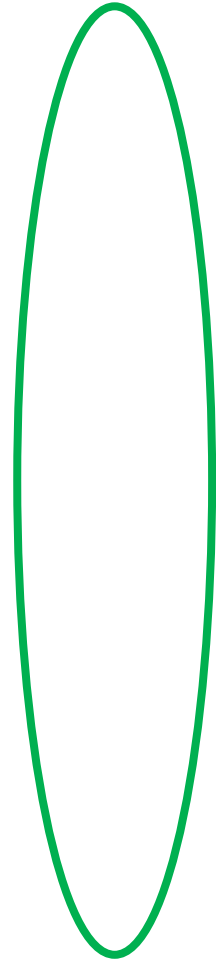


Notifying Draft Measures which contain both SPS and TBT Provisions: Ugandan experience

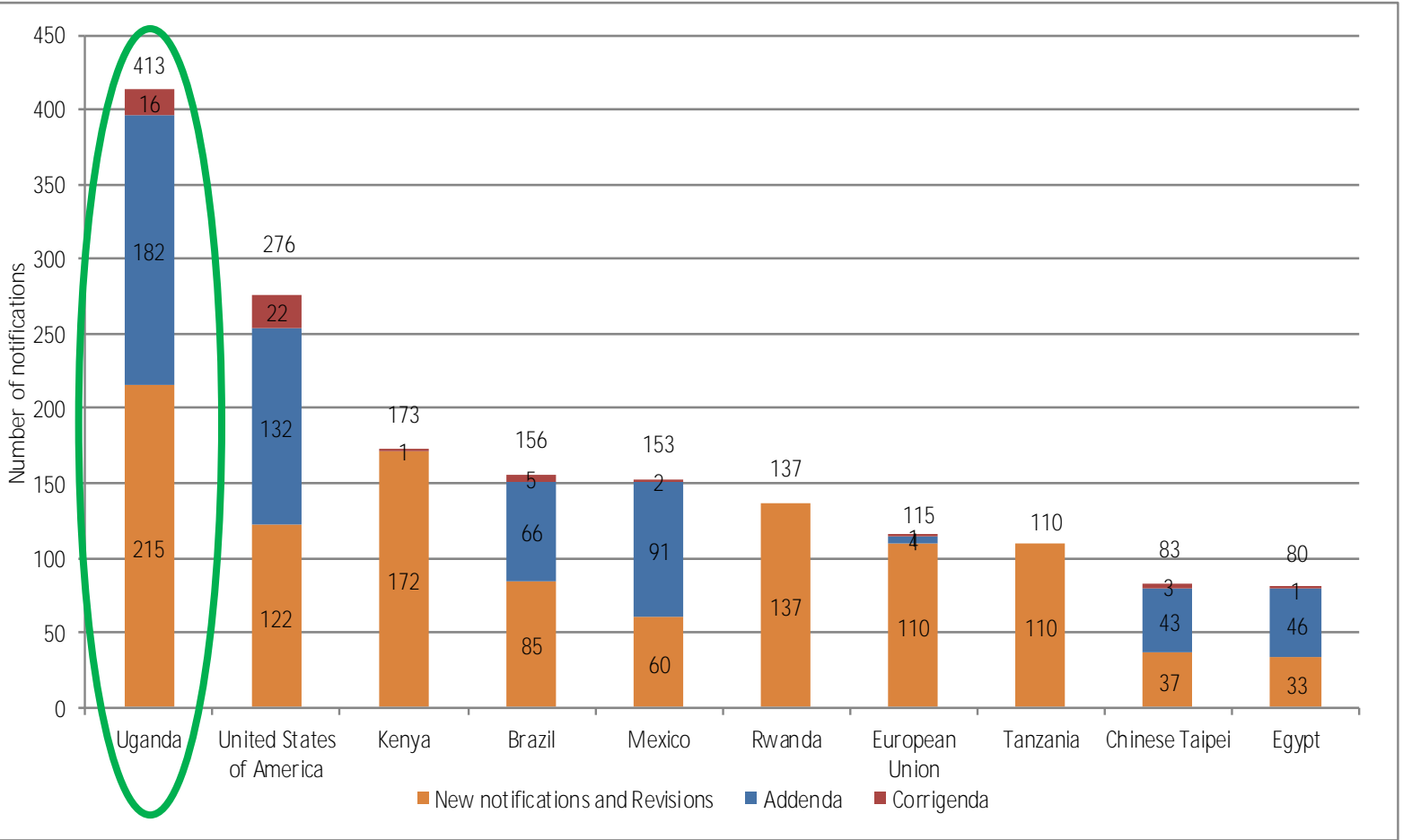
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Compliance to
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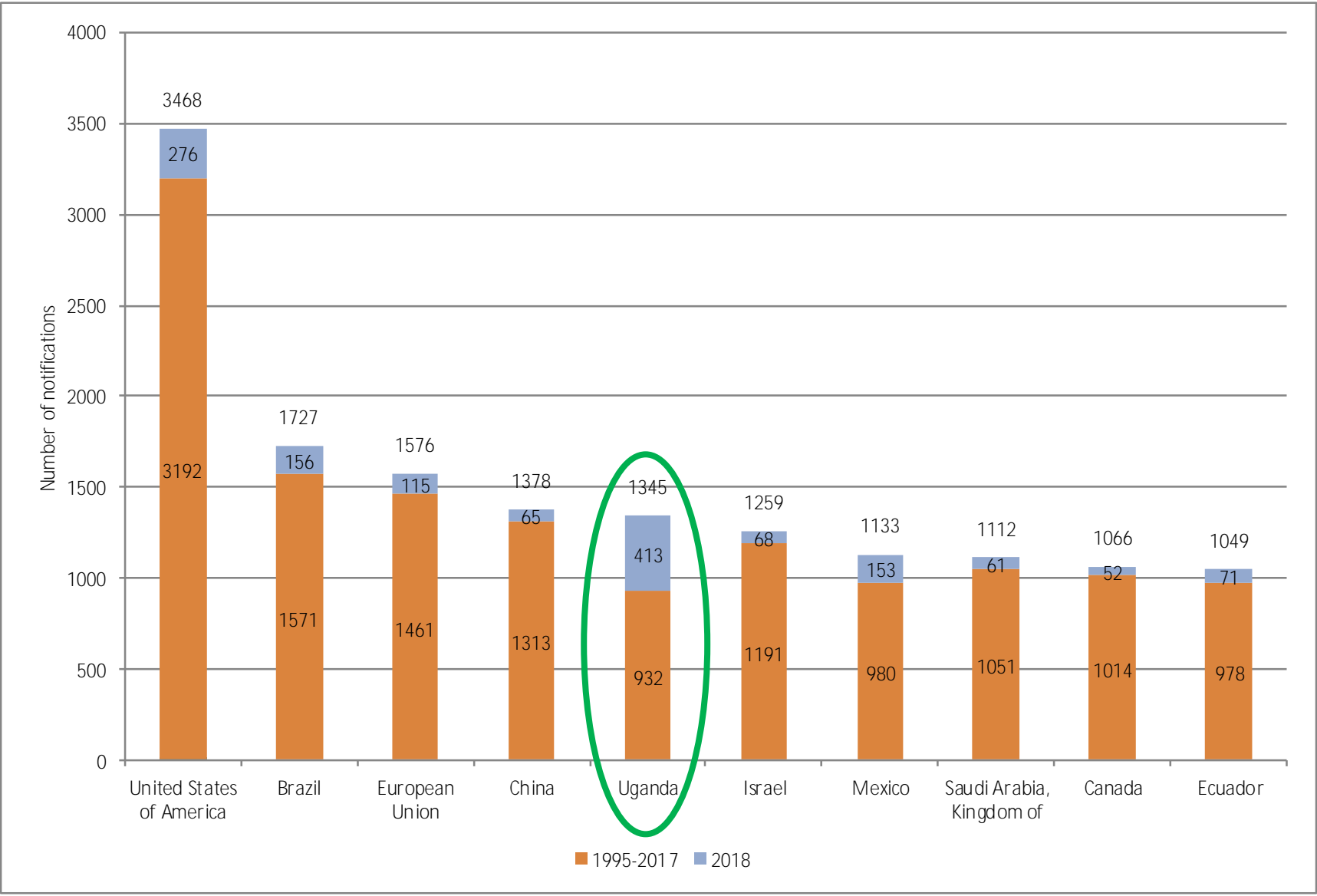
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Compliance to Notification obligations by Uganda under TBT Agreement, 2018



Source: G/TBT/42

Compliance to Notification obligations by Uganda under TBT Agreement, 1995-2018



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As
Compliance
Increases...

Rise in Food/Agriculture related Draft TBT
measures

Most of the Measures contain both TBT &
SPS Provisions

Number is expected to grow

TBT Provisions:

Quality requirements,
Composition requirements,
Environmental requirements,
Health & safety requirements, etc.

As
Compliance
Increases...

SPS Provisions: **Mainly Food Safety**

Limits of migration of packaging materials,
Hygiene,
Food additives,
Microbiological limits,
Radioactive matter,
Contaminants and toxins including heavy
metal contaminants,
Maximum residue limits:
pesticides/antibiotics and other veterinary
drugs,
Mycotoxins

Decision

Concurrently Notify Draft TBT
Measures to TBT & SPS
Committees

81 Draft TBT Measures Notified
Concurrently to TBT & SPS
committees

Rationale for Decision to Notify to both TBT & SPS Committees

Draft Measures meet criteria for notification under both TBT & SPS Agreements,

Comments submitted both by SPS & TBT institutions in Members on Draft Measures that were notified only to TBT Committee,

Uganda tasked to explain why Draft TBT Measures were not also notified to SPS Committee,

Demand by some Members that Draft Measures be notified also to SPS Committee.

Take Home Points

SPS and TBT Institutions may only have technical capacity to review & interpret SPS & TBT provisions respectively in Draft Measures containing both SPS & TBT Provisions,

To Maximize the Benefits created by SPS & TBT Agreements' Notification Procedures, Members should simultaneously Notify Draft Measures that meet the Criteria for Notification under both

