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### Communication from Cambodia

#### Revision

#### *Legislation – Implementation Agenda*

The Government of the Kingdom of Cambodia has submitted the following revised Agenda for Enacting Laws for WTO Conformity and Adopting Regulations/Instructions, with the request that it be circulated to members of the Working Party.

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### Agenda for Enacting Laws for WTO Conformity

Law	Agreement(s)	Status of Draft	Expected Approval Date (Parliament)
<b>YEAR 2001</b>			
1. Ratification of the ICSID Convention	General	Adopted by the CM; Adopted by the Parliament.	2001
2. Ratification of the New York Convention (Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards)	General	Adopted by the Council of Ministers (CM); Adopted by the Parliament.	2001
3. Land Law	General	Approved by the CM; Adopted by the Parliament.	September 2001
4. Royal Decree on Cooperatives	General	Adopted by the CM and issued on October 2001.	No parliamentary approval
5. Law on Trademarks and Acts of Unfair Competition	TRIPS	Adopted by the CM in October 2001; Awaiting for Ratification by the Parliament.	December 2001
<b>YEAR 2002</b>			
6. Sub-Decree on Inquiry Points for (1) Services, (2) SPS, and (3) TBT	Technical Barriers to Trade Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures	Adoption by CM expected June 2002.	No Parliamentary approval
7. Forestry Law	General	Adopted by the Parliament in August 2002	August 2002
8. Postal Services Law	GATS	Adopted at the CM and submitted to the Parliament in December 2001.	20 June 2002
9. Law on Protection of Patent, Utility Models, and Industrial Designs	TRIPS	Adopted by the Parliament in November 2002.	December 2002
10. Accounting Law	General	Adopted by the Parliament.	November 2002
<b>YEAR 2003</b>			
11. Law on Copyrights and Related Rights	TRIPS	Adopted by the Parliament in January 2003.	February 2003
12. Amendment of the Law on Investment	General	Adopted by the Parliament in February 2003.	February 2003
13. Sub-Decree on Animal Quarantine	SPS	Adopted by CM in February 2003.	No parliamentary approval
14. Sub-Decree on Plant Quarantine	SPS	Adopted by CM in February 2003.	No Parliamentary approval
15. Law on Business Enterprises	General	Adopted by CM in April 26, 2002 and to the Parliament in June 2002.	November 2003
16. Tourism and Entertainment Law	GATS	Submission to the CM is expected in March 2003 and to the Parliament in April 2003.	November 2003
17. Negotiable and Payment Transaction Law	General	Submission to CM in March 2003 and to the Parliament in April 2003.	December 2003
18. Customs Code	Customs Valuation Rules of Origin GATT 1994	Adapted by the CM in December 2002 and submitted to the Parliament in January 2003.	December 2003
19. Land Traffic Law (Highway Code)	General	Draft completed by the Ministry of Public Works and Transports; Submission to CM is expected in 2001 and to the Parliament in January 2002.	December 2003

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20. Water Resources Management Law	General	Being drafted by the Ministry of Water Resources and Meteorology; submission to the CM is expected in April 2003 and to the Parliament in May 2003.	December 2003
21. Water Supply Law	General	Being drafted by the Ministry of Industry, Mines, and Energy; submission to the CM is expected in March 2003 and to the Parliament in April 2003.	December 2003
<b>YEAR 2004</b>			
22. Law on Export Processing Zones (EPZs)	GATT 1994	Draft completed by the Ministry of Industry, Mines and Energy; Submission to CM is expected in March 2003 and to the Parliament in September 2003.	January 2004
23. Commercial Arbitration Law	General	Submission to CM is expected in February 2003 and to the Parliament in March 2003.	January 2004
24. Civil Aviation Law	General	Draft completed by the State Secretariat for Civil Aviation; Submitted to CM in June 2002 and to the Parliament in December 2002.	January 2004
25. Insolvency Law	General	Submission to CM is expected in March 2003 and to the Parliament in April 2003.	January 2004
26. Secured Transactions Law	General	Submission to CM is expected in October 2003 and to the Parliament in December 2003.	February 2004
27. Commercial Contracts Law	General	Draft completed by the Ministry of Commerce; Submission to CM is expected in November 2003 and to the Parliament in December 2003.	February 2004
28. Commercial Leasing Law	General	Draft completed by the Ministry of Commerce; Submission to CM is expected in December 2003 and to the Parliament in January 2004.	June 2004
29. Telecommunications Law	GATS	Draft under review by the Ministry of Post and Telecommunications; Submission to CM is expected in October 2003 and to the Parliament in December 2003.	June 2004
30. Fisheries Law	SPS	Being drafted by the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries; Submission to CM is expected in December 2003 and to the Parliament in January 2004.	June 2004
31. Law on Layout Designs of Integrated Circuit	TRIPS	TA requested by the Ministry of Industry, Mines, and Energy to prepare draft; Submission to CM is expected in September 2003 and to the Parliament in February 2004.	July 2004
32. Law on Plant Variety Protection	TRIPS	TA requested by the Ministry of Industry, Mines, and Energy to prepare draft; Submission to CM is expected in March 2003 and to the Parliament in September 2004.	September 2004
33. Law on Safeguard Measures	Safeguards	TA requested by the Ministry of Commerce to prepare draft; Submission to CM is expected in September 2003 and to the Parliament in April 2004.	October 2004

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34. Law on Anti-dumping Measures and on Countervailing Measures	Anti-Dumping Subsidies and Countervailing Measures	TA requested by the Ministry of Commerce to prepare draft; Submission to CM is expected in September 2003 and to the Parliament in January 2004.	October 2004
35. Law on Geographical Indications Including Appellation of Origin	TRIPS	TA requested by the Ministry of Commerce to prepare draft; Submission to CM is expected in April 2004 and to the Parliament in June 2004	December 2004
36. Law on Protection of Undisclosed Information	TRIPS	TA requested by the Ministry of Commerce to prepare draft; Submission to CM is expected in October 2003 and to the Parliament in March 2004.	November 2004
37. Law on Rules of Origin	Rules of Origin	TA requested by the Ministry of Commerce to prepare draft; Submission to CM is expected in June 2004 and to the Parliament in August 2004.	December 2004
38. Law Establishing the Commercial Court	General	TA requested by the Ministry of Commerce and the Ministry of Justice to prepare draft; Submission to CM is expected in December 2003 and to the Parliament in February 2004.	December 2004
39. Civil Procedure Code	General	Being drafted by the Ministry of Justice; Submission to CM is expected in June 2003 and to the Parliament in December 2003.	December 2004
40. Civil Code	General	Being drafted by the Ministry of Justice; Submission to CM is expected in June 2003 and to the Parliament in December 2003	June 2004
41. Criminal Procedures Code	General	Being under review by the Ministry of Justice; Submission to CM is expected in June 2003 and to the Parliament in June 2004.	December 2004
42. Criminal Code	General	Being under review by the Ministry of Justice; Submission to CM is expected in September 2003 and to the Parliament in March 2004.	November 2004
<b>YEAR 2005</b>			
43. Law on Layout Designs of Integrated Circuit	TRIPS	TA requested by the Ministry of Industry, Mines, and Energy to prepare draft; Submission to CM is expected in June 2004 and to the Parliament in August 2004.	January 2005
44. Law on Plant Variety Protection	TRIPS	TA requested by the Ministry of Industry, Mines, and Energy to prepare draft; Submission to CM is expected in July 2004 and to the Parliament in September 2004.	January 2005
45. Commercial Leasing Law	General	Draft completed by the Ministry of Commerce; Submission to CM is expected in June 2004 and to the Parliament in August 2004.	January 2005
46. Merchant Shipping Law	GATS	Being drafted by the Ministry of Public Works and Transports; submission to the CM is expected in November 2004 and to the Parliament in December 2004.	February 2005

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47. Law on Protection of Undisclosed Information	TRIPS	TA requested by the Ministry of Commerce to prepare draft; Submission to CM is expected in October 2004 and to the Parliament in November 2004.	March 2005
48. Law on Anti-dumping Measures and on Countervailing Measures	Anti-Dumping Subsidies and Countervailing Measures	TA requested by the Ministry of Commerce to prepare draft; Submission to CM is expected in September 2004 and to the Parliament in December 2004.	March 2005
49. Commercial Agency Law	General	Draft completed by the Ministry of Commerce; Submission to CM is expected in September 2004 and to the Parliament in November 2004.	February 2005
50. Criminal Code	General	Being under review by the Ministry of Justice; Submission to CM is expected in September 2004 and to the Parliament in November 2004.	March 2005
51. Law on Criminal Procedures	General	Being under review by the Ministry of Justice; Submission to CM is expected in November 2004 and to the Parliament in December 2004.	April 2005
52. Commercial Agency Law	General	Draft completed by the Ministry of Commerce; Submission to CM is expected in November 2004 and to the Parliament in December 2004.	June 2005
53. Civil Procedure Code	General	Being drafted by the Ministry of Justice; Submission to CM is expected in December 2003 and to the Parliament in March 2004.	June 2005
54. Civil Code	General	Being drafted by the Ministry of Justice; Submission to CM is expected in October 2003 and to the Parliament in December 2004.	June 2005
55. Law on Safeguard Measures	Safeguards	TA requested by the Ministry of Commerce to prepare draft; Submission to CM is expected in November 2004 and to the Parliament in December 2004.	July 2005
<b>YEAR 2006</b>			
56. Competition Law	General	TA requested by the Ministry of Commerce to prepare draft; Submission to CM is expected in October 2005 and to the Parliament in December 2005.	January 2006
57. Securities and Exchange Laws	General	Being drafted by the Ministry of Economy and Finance; submission to the CM is expected in June 2005 and to the Parliament in October 2005.	January 2006