

This Trade Summary provides an overview of WTO dispute settlement decisions and panel activities, and EU decisions and measures on commercial policy, customs policy and external relations, for the fourth quarter of 2019.

I. WTO

1. Dispute Settlement

Airbus

- i WTO members agreed at a meeting of the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB) on October 14, 2019, to authorize the United States to impose countermeasures on European Union goods and services trade with the US up to a value of USD 7,496.623 million annually.
([WTO Press Release](#), October 14, 2019)
- ii European Parliament resolution of November 28, 2019, on measures to address the impact on European agriculture of the WTO ruling on the Airbus dispute.
([Resolution](#), November 28, 2019)
- iii The European Union filed an appeal on 6 December concerning the WTO panel report in the case brought by the EU in “European Communities and Certain Member States - Measures Affecting Trade in Large Civil Aircraft - Recourse to Article 21.5 of the DSU by the EU” (DS316).
([WTO Press Release](#), December 6, 2019)

GCC launches safeguard investigation on certain steel products

On October 24, 2019, the Sultanate of Oman as President of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf (“GCC”) and on behalf of the GCC Member States notified the WTO’s Committee on Safeguards that the GCC initiated on October 23, 2019, a safeguard investigation on certain steel products.
([WTO Press Release](#), October 24, 2019)

India launches safeguard investigation on isopropyl alcohol

On November 15, 2019, India notified the WTO’s Committee on Safeguards that it initiated on November 4, 2019, a safeguard investigation on isopropyl alcohol.
([WTO Press Release](#), November 15, 2019)

Indonesia launches safeguard investigation on fructose syrup

On November 15, 2019, Indonesia notified the WTO’s Committee on Safeguards that it initiated on November 13, 2019, a safeguard investigation on fructose syrup.
([WTO Press Release](#), November 15, 2019)

Ecuador launches safeguard investigation on flat ceramics

On December 5, 2019, Ecuador notified the WTO’s Committee on Safeguards that it initiated on November 26, 2019, a safeguard investigation on flat ceramics.
([WTO Press Release](#), December 5, 2019)

Ukraine launches safeguard investigation on syringes

On December 11, 2019, Ukraine notified the WTO’s Committee on Safeguards that it initiated on December 2, 2019, a safeguard investigation on syringes.
([WTO Press Release](#), December 11, 2019)

European Union initiates WTO dispute against Colombian duties on frozen fries

The European Union has requested WTO dispute consultations with Colombia regarding anti-dumping duties imposed by Colombia on imports of frozen fries from Belgium, the Netherlands and Germany.
([WTO Press Release](#), November 20, 2019; [Commission Press Release](#), November 15, 2019)

European Union initiates WTO dispute case against Indonesian restrictions on raw materials

The European Union has requested WTO dispute consultations with Indonesia regarding alleged export restrictions and local content subsidies adopted by Indonesia with respect to certain raw materials.
([WTO Press Release](#), November 27, 2019)



Indonesia initiates WTO dispute complaint against EU biofuels measures

Indonesia has requested WTO dispute consultations with the European Union regarding measures adopted by the EU and its Member States in the renewable energy sector relating to biofuels.

([WTO Press Release](#), December 16, 2019)

India appeals panel report regarding export promotion measures

India filed an appeal on 19 November concerning the WTO panel report in the case brought by the United States in “India - Export Related Measures” (DS541). The panel report was circulated to WTO members on October 31, 2019.

([WTO Press Release](#), November 19, 2019)

PANELS ESTABLISHED

Panels established to rule on Indian, Moroccan duty measures

WTO members agreed at a meeting of the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB) on October 28, 2019, to a request from the United States for a dispute panel to rule on India’s decision to impose additional duties on certain US products. They also agreed to Tunisia’s request for a panel to rule on Morocco’s anti-dumping duties on imported school exercise books from Tunisia.

([WTO Press Release](#), October 28, 2019)

PANEL REPORTS ISSUED

WTO issues panel report regarding Indian export promotion measures

On October 31, 2019, the WTO circulated the panel report in the case brought by the United States in “India - Export Related Measures” (DS541).

([WTO Press Release](#), October 31, 2019)

WTO issues compliance panel report regarding US duties on Indian steel products

On November 15, 2019, the WTO circulated the compliance panel report in the case brought by India in “United States - Countervailing Measures on Certain Hot Rolled Carbon Steel Flat Products from India - Recourse to Article 21.5 of the DSU by India” (DS436).

([WTO Press Release](#), November 15, 2019)

WTO issues panel report in second Airbus compliance proceedings

On December 2, 2019, the WTO circulated the compliance panel report in the case brought by the European Union in “European Communities and Certain Member States - Measures Affecting Trade in Large Civil Aircraft - Recourse to Article 21.5 of the DSU by the EU” (DS316).

([WTO Press Release](#), December 2, 2019)

WTO panel issues report on Indonesian complaint against Australian paper duties

On December 4, 2019, the WTO circulated the dispute panel report in the case brought by Indonesia in “Australia - Anti-Dumping Measures On A4 Copy Paper” (DS529).

([WTO Press Release](#), December 4, 2019)

APPELLATE BODY

Operations of the WTO Appellate Body

- i Members reiterate joint call to launch selection process for Appellate Body members. ([WTO Press Release](#), November 22, 2019)
- ii European Parliament resolution of November 28, 2019, on the crisis of the WTO Appellate Body. ([Resolution](#), November 28, 2019)
- iii The Commission unveiled a proposal to amend the existing Enforcement Regulation in response to the blockage of the operations of the WTO Appellate Body. ([Commission Press Release](#), December 12, 2019; [COM 2019/623](#), December 12, 2019)

Appellate Body issues report regarding Moroccan duties on Turkish steel

On December 10, 2019, the Appellate Body issued its report in the case brought by Turkey in “Morocco - Anti-Dumping Measures on Certain Hot Rolled Steel from Turkey” (DS513).

([WTO Press Release](#), December 10, 2019)

ARBITRATION REPORTS

Arbitrator issues decision in Airbus subsidy dispute

On October 2, 2019, a WTO arbitrator issued its decision on the level of countermeasures the United States may request with respect to the European Union and certain EU member states in “European Communities and Certain member States - Measures Affecting Trade in Large Civil Aircraft” (DS316).

([WTO Press Release](#), October 2, 2019)

Arbitrator issues decision in US-China anti-dumping dispute

On November 1, 2019, a WTO arbitrator issued its decision on the level of countermeasures China may request with respect to the United States in “United States - Certain Methodologies and their Application to Anti-Dumping Proceedings Involving China” (DS471).

([WTO Press Release](#), November 1, 2019)

2. Other Developments

WTO waivers

The Council adopted two decisions establishing the position to be taken on behalf of the EU within the WTO’s General Council on the adoption of (i) a decision to extend a WTO waiver permitting the US to provide preferential tariff treatment under the US Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act (CBERA), and (ii) a decision to extend a WTO waiver permitting developing country Members to provide preferential tariff treatment to products of least developed countries.

([Council Press Release](#), October 7, 2019; (i) [Decision: OJ 2019 L 260/48](#); (ii) [Decision: OJ 2019 L 260/50](#))

Trade facilitation

The Council adopted a decision on the EU position in the WTO Council for Trade in Goods as regards the rules of procedure of the Committee on Trade Facilitation.

([Council Press Release](#), November 8, 2019; [OJ 2019 L 293/109](#))

TRADE POLICY REVIEWS

Peru

([WTO Press Release](#), October 22 and 24, 2019; [Secretariat Report](#) and [Government Report](#), August 27, 2019)

Lao People’s Democratic Republic

([WTO Press Release](#), November 18 and 20, 2019; [Secretariat Report](#) and [Government Report](#), October 14, 2019)

II. EU Commercial Policy

1. Anti-dumping and Anti-subsidy

EU COURTS

Stainless steel cold-rolled flat products originating in China and Taiwan

The General Court dismissed the appeal against Commission Implementing Regulation 2015/1429 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty.

(Case T-607/15 *Yieh United Steel Corp. v. Commission*, [judgment](#) of December 3, 2019)

Bioethanol originating in the US

Order by the General Court stating that there is no longer any need to adjudicate on the appeal against Council Implementing Regulation 157/2013 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty.

(Case T-276/13 *RENV Growth Energy and Renewable Fuels Association v. Council*, [order](#) of November 14, 2019)

Aspartame originating in China

Appeal against the General Court’s judgment of June 28, 2019, dismissing the appeal against Commission Implementing Regulation 2016/1247 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty and collecting definitively the provisional duty.

(Case C-666/19 P *Changmao Biochemical Engineering v. Commission*, [OJ 2019 C 383/47](#))

Crystalline silicon photovoltaic modules and key components (i.e. cells) originating in China

Appeal against Commission Implementing Regulation 2019/1329 invalidating invoices issued by Zhejiang Sunflower Light Energy Science & Technology in breach of the undertaking repealed by Implementing Regulation 2017/1570.

(Case T-733/19 *Zhejiang Sunflower Light Energy Science & Technology v. Commission*, [OJ 2019 C 432/66](#))

Certain iron or steel fasteners originating in China

References for a preliminary ruling from a Belgian court seeking guidance from the Court of Justice, among other things, on whether Council Regulation 91/2009 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty is invalid due to the infringement of Article 6(6) and (7) and Article 2(10) of Council Regulation 1225/2009 or of Council Regulation 384/96 because the Commission did not give Chinese producers/exporters the opportunity, in good time, to take cognizance of the information regarding product types on the basis of which the normal value was established and/or because the Commission had refused to take into account adjustments related to import duties on raw materials and indirect taxes in the analogue country, India, and to differences in production (costs).

(Case C-632/19 *Federale Overheidsdienst Financiën and Openbaar Ministerie*, reference for a preliminary ruling: [OJ 2019 C 399/23](#); Case C-633/19 *Federale Overheidsdienst Financiën and Openbaar Ministerie*, reference for a preliminary ruling: [OJ 2019 C 399/25](#))

Certain aluminum foil originating in China

Reference for a preliminary ruling from a German court seeking guidance from the Court of Justice, among other things, on whether Article 1(1) of Commission Implementing Regulation 2017/271 is invalid because it infringes Article 13(1) of Regulation 2016/1036, in that it extends to aluminum converter foil the definitive anti-dumping duty imposed in respect of aluminum household foil pursuant to Commission Implementing Regulation 2015/2384, and provides for exemption for aluminum converter foil from the anti-dumping duty only under the conditions of Article 1(4) of Implementing Regulation 2017/271.

(Case C-708/19 *Von Aschenbach & Voss*, reference for a preliminary ruling: [OJ 2019 C 413/28](#))

OTHER EU INSTITUTIONS**Ironing boards originating in China**

Commission Implementing Regulation 2019/1662 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty following an expiry review pursuant to Article 11(2) of Regulation 2016/1036.

[\(OJ 2019 L 252/1\)](#)

Ceramic tableware and kitchenware originating in China

i Notice concerning a name change of a company subject to the anti-dumping duty rate for cooperating non-sampled companies.

[\(OJ 2019 C 410/15\)](#)

ii Notice concerning a name change of one company subject to the duty for cooperating non-sampled companies.

[\(OJ 2019 C 333/15\)](#)

iii Commission Implementing Regulation 2019/2131 amending Implementing Regulation 2019/1198 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty following an expiry review pursuant to Article 11(2) of Regulation 2016/1036.

[\(Commission Press Release](#), December 12, 2019; [OJ 2019 L 321/139](#))

Ceramic tiles originating in China

Commission Implementing Regulation 2019/1687 amending Annex 1 to Implementing Regulation 2017/2179 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty.

[\(OJ 2019 L 258/18\)](#)

High tenacity yarns of polyesters originating in China

Commission Implementing Regulation 2019/1706 amending Implementing Regulation 2017/325 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty following an expiry review pursuant to Article 11(2) of Regulation 2016/1036.

[\(OJ 2019 L 260/42\)](#)

Mixtures of urea and ammonium nitrate originating in Russia, Trinidad and Tobago and the US

Commission Implementing Regulation 2019/1688 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty and definitively collecting the provisional duty.

[\(OJ 2019 L 258/21\)](#)

Steel road wheels originating in China

i Commission Implementing Regulation 2019/1693 imposing a provisional anti-dumping duty.

[\(OJ 2019 L 259/15\)](#)

ii Commission Implementing Regulation 2019/2118 amending Implementing Regulation 2019/1693 imposing a provisional anti-dumping duty.

[\(OJ 2019 L 320/115\)](#)

Certain prepared or preserved citrus fruits (namely mandarins, etc.) originating in China

- i Commission Implementing Regulation 2019/1860 amending Commission Implementing Regulation 1313/2014 imposing a definitive antidumping duty following an expiry review pursuant to Article 11(2) of Council Regulation 1225/2009.
([OJ 2019 L 286/13](#))
- ii Notice of initiation of an expiry review of the anti-dumping measures applicable.
([OJ 2019 C 414/14](#))

Certain corrosion resistant steels originating in China

Commission Implementing Regulation 2019/1948 initiating an investigation concerning possible circumvention of anti-dumping measures imposed by Commission Implementing Regulation 2018/186 on imports of certain corrosion resistant steels originating in China, and making such imports subject to registration.
([OJ 2019 L 304/10](#))

Certain prepared or preserved sweetcorn in kernels originating in Thailand

Commission Implementing Regulation 2019/1996 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty following an expiry review pursuant to Article 11(2) of Regulation 2016/1036.
([OJ 2019 L 310/6](#))

Bicycles

- i Commission Implementing Regulation 2019/1997 reopening the investigation following the judgment of September 19, 2019, in Case C-251/18 *Trace Sport SAS*, with regard to Council Implementing Regulation 501/2013 extending the definitive anti-dumping duty imposed by Implementing Regulation 990/2011 on imports of bicycles originating in China to imports of bicycles consigned from Indonesia, Malaysia, Sri Lanka and Tunisia, whether declared as originating in Indonesia, Malaysia, Sri Lanka and Tunisia or not.
([OJ 2019 L 310/29](#))
- ii Commission Implementing Regulation 2019/2149 initiating a ‘new exporter’ review of Implementing Regulation 2019/1379 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty on imports of bicycles originating in China for one Chinese exporting producer, repealing the duty with regard to imports from that exporting

producer and making these imports subject to registration.

([OJ 2019 L 325/159](#))

Footwear originating in China and Vietnam

Notice concerning the implementation of the judgment of the Court of Justice in Joined Cases C659/13 and C-34/14 *C&J Clarks International Ltd and Puma SE* in relation to anti-dumping measures.

([OJ 2019 C 405/8](#))

Threaded tube or pipe cast fittings, of malleable cast iron and spheroidal graphite cast iron, originating in China

- i Notice of re-opening the investigation following the judgment of September 20, 2019, in Case T-650/17, with regard to Commission Implementing Regulation 2017/1146 re-imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty on imports of threaded tube or pipe cast fittings, of malleable cast iron and spheroidal graphite cast iron, originating in China, manufactured by Jinan Meide Castings Co.
([OJ 2019 C 403/63](#))
- ii Commission Implementing Regulation 2019/1982 making certain imports of threaded tube or pipe cast fittings, of malleable cast iron and spheroidal graphite cast iron originating in China subject to registration following the re-opening of the investigation in order to implement the judgment of September 20, 2019, in case T-650/17, with regard to Implementing Regulation 2017/1146 re-imposing a definitive antidumping duty on imports of threaded tube or pipe cast fittings, of malleable cast iron and spheroidal graphite cast iron, originating in China, manufactured by Jinan Meide Castings Co.
([OJ 2019 L 308/77](#))

Biodiesel originating in Indonesia

Commission Implementing Regulation 2019/2092 imposing a definitive countervailing duty.

([OJ 2019 L 317/42](#))

Tungsten electrodes originating in China and consigned from India, Laos and Thailand

Commission Implementing Regulation 2019/2171 initiating an investigation concerning possible circumvention of anti-dumping measures imposed by Implementing Regulation 2019/1267 on imports of tungsten electrodes originating in China by imports of tungsten electrodes consigned from India, Laos and

Thailand, whether declared as originating in India, Laos and Thailand or not, and making such imports subject to registration.

[\(OJ 2019 L 329/86\)](#)

Certain polyvinyl alcohols originating in China

Notice clarifying the notice of initiation of an anti-dumping proceeding.

[\(OJ 2019 C 378/9\)](#)

Thermal paper originating in South Korea

Notice of initiation of an anti-dumping proceeding.

[\(OJ 2019 C 342/8\)](#)

Stainless steel cold-rolled flat products originating in China and Taiwan

Notice of the impending expiry of certain anti-dumping measures.

[\(OJ 2019 C 405/11\)](#)

Certain hot rolled stainless steel sheets and coils originating in China and Indonesia

Notice of initiation of an anti-subsidy proceeding.

[\(OJ 2019 C 342/18\)](#)

Continuous filament glass fiber products originating in China

Notice of initiation of an expiry review of the anti-subsidy measures.

[\(OJ 2019 C 424/5\)](#)

Certain cast iron articles originating in China

Notice of reopening the anti-dumping investigation.

[\(OJ 2019 C 425/9\)](#)

Pins and staples originating in China

Notice of initiation of an anti-dumping proceeding.

[\(OJ 2019 C 425/21\)](#)

Sulphanilic acid originating in China

Notice of initiation of an expiry review of the anti-dumping measures.

[\(OJ 2019 C 425/39\)](#)

2. Generalized System of Preferences

Cambodia

The Commission finalized a preliminary report on a temporary suspension of trade preferences.

[\(Commission Press Release, November 12, 2019\)](#)

Generalized tariff preferences scheme

- i Commission delegated regulation amending the vulnerability threshold set out in point 1(b) of Annex VII to Regulation 978/2012 applying a scheme of generalized tariff preferences.
[\(Draft act, November 26, 2019\)](#)
- ii Commission delegated regulation amending Annex II to Regulation 978/2012 applying a scheme of generalized tariff preferences.
[\(Draft act, November 25, 2019\)](#)
- iii The Council decided not to raise objections to a delegated act of the Commission relating to the EU scheme of generalized tariff preferences (GSP).
[\(Council Press Release, December 19, 2019\)](#)

3. Sanctions

EU COURTS

Iran

- i Appeal against the General Court's judgment of July 2, 2019, ordering the Council to pay Mr. Mahmoudian compensation for the non-pecuniary damage suffered as a result of his inclusion on the list of persons and entities subject to restrictive measures against Iran.
[\(Case C-681/19 P *Mahmoudian v. Council*, OJ 2019 C 372/27\)](#)
- ii Appeal against the General Court's judgment of July 2, 2019, ordering the Council to pay Fulmen compensation for the non-material damage suffered as a result of its inclusion on the list of persons and entities subject to restrictive measures against Iran.
[\(Case C-680/19 P *Fulmen v. Council*, OJ 2019 C 372/26\)](#)

Libya

Appeal against Council Implementing Decision (CFSP) 2019/1299 implementing Decision (CFSP) 2015/1333 in so far as it maintains the applicant's name on the list in Annexes II and IV to Council Decision 2015/1333/CFSP, and Council Implementing Regulation 2019/1292 implementing Article 21(2) of Regulation 2016/44 in so far as it maintain the applicant's name on the list in Annex III to Council Regulation 2016/44.
[\(Case T-700/19 *Al-Gaoud v. Council*, OJ 2019 C 406/41\)](#)

Syria

Appeal against Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/806 amending Decision 2013/255/CFSP and Council Implementing Regulation 2019/798 implementing Regulation 36/2012.

(Case T-540/19 *Sharif v. Council*, [OJ 2019 C 337/9](#))

Ukraine

Order by the Court of Justice annulling the General Court's judgment of December 13, 2018, dismissing the appeal against Council Decision 2017/381 amending Decision 2014/119/CFSP, and Council Implementing Regulation 2017/374 implementing Regulation 208/2014.

(Case C-58/19 P *Azarov v. Council*, [order](#) of October 22, 2019, available in French)

OTHER EU INSTITUTIONS**Burundi**

i The Council renewed the EU restrictive measures against Burundi for one year.

([Council Press Release](#), October 24, 2019)

ii Notice for the attention of the data subjects to whom the restrictive measures provided for in Council Decision (CFSP) 2015/17631 and Council Regulation 2015/17552 apply.

([OJ 2019 C 361/3](#))

iii Notice for the attention of the persons subject to the restrictive measures provided for in Council Decision (CFSP) 2015/1763, as amended by Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/1788, and Council Regulation 2015/1755, as implemented by Council Implementing Regulation 2019/1779.

([OJ 2019 C 361/2](#))

Central African Republic

i Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/1737 amending Decision 2013/798/CFSP.

([OJ 2019 L 265/7](#))

ii Council Regulation 2019/1735 amending Regulation 224/2014.

([OJ 2019 L 265/1](#))

Chemical weapons

i The Council extended restrictive measures by the EU addressing the use and proliferation of chemical weapons.

([Council Press Release](#), October 14, 2019; [Council Press Release](#), October 14, 2019)

ii Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/1722 amending Decision (CFSP) 2018/1544 concerning restrictive measures against the proliferation and use of chemical weapons.

([OJ 2019 L 262/66](#))

Congo

i The Council decided to maintain individual restrictive measures against several personalities and to lift the measures for two other persons, on the basis of an evaluation of the situation in the country.

([Council Press Release](#), December 9, 2019)

ii Council Implementing Regulation 2019/2101 implementing Article 9 of Regulation 1183/2005.

([OJ 2019 L 318/1](#))

iii Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/2109 amending Decision 2010/788/CFSP.

([OJ 2019 L 318/134](#))

iv Notice for the attention of the persons subject to the restrictive measures provided for in Council Decision 2010/788/CFSP, as amended by Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/2109, and Council Regulation 1183/2005, as implemented by Council Implementing Regulation 2019/2101.

([OJ 2019 C 414/11](#))

v Notice for the attention of the data subjects to whom the restrictive measures provided for in Council Regulation 1183/2005 apply.

([OJ 2019 C 414/12](#))

Egypt

Notice for the attention of the persons to whom restrictive measures provided for in Council Decision 2011/172/CFSP and in Council Regulation 270/2011 apply.

([OJ 2019 C 414/10](#))

Guinea

i The Council extended the EU restrictive measures against Guinea for one year.

([Council Press Release](#), October 24, 2019)

ii Notice for the attention of the data subjects to whom the restrictive measures provided for in Council Decision 2010/638/CFSP and Council Regulation 1284/2009 apply.

([OJ 2019 C 361/5](#))

iii Notice for the attention of the persons and entities subject to the restrictive measures provided for in Council Decision 2010/638/CFSP, as amended by Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/1790, and in Council

Regulation 1284/2009, as amended by Council Regulation 2019/1778.

[\(OJ 2019 C 361/4\)](#)

Libya

i Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/1663 amending Decision (CFSP) 2015/1333.

[\(OJ 2019 L 252/36\)](#)

ii Notice for the attention of certain persons subject to the restrictive measures provided for in Council Decision (CFSP) 2015/1333, as amended by Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/1663.

[\(OJ 2019 C 331/3\)](#)

iii Notice for the attention of the data subjects to whom the restrictive measures provided for in Council Decision (CFSP) 2015/1333, as amended by Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/1663, apply.

[\(OJ 2019 C 331/4\)](#)

Moldova

The Council extended the EU restrictive measures against the leadership of the Transnistrian region of Moldova for one year.

[\(Council Press Release, October 24, 2019\)](#)

Nicaragua

i The Council adopted a framework for targeted restrictive measures in view of the situation in Nicaragua.

[\(Council Press Release, October 14, 2019; Council Press Release, October 14, 2019\)](#)

ii Council Regulation 2019/1716 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Nicaragua.

[\(OJ 2019 L 262/1\)](#)

iii Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/1720 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Nicaragua.

[\(OJ 2019 L 262/58\)](#)

Iraq

Commission Implementing Regulation 2019/1853 amending Council Regulation 1210/2003.

[\(OJ 2019 L 285/7\)](#)

Tunisia

i Notice for the attention of the data subjects to whom the restrictive measures provided for in Council Decision 2011/72/CFSP and Council Regulation 101/2011 apply.

[\(OJ 2019 C 392/5\)](#)

ii Notice for the attention of the persons subject to the restrictive measures provided for in Council Decision 2011/72/CFSP and Council Regulation 101/2011.

[\(OJ 2019 C 392/4\)](#)

Turkey

i The European Parliament adopted a resolution on the Turkish military operation in northeast Syria and its consequences.

[\(EP Press Release, October 24, 2019; Resolution, October 24, 2019\)](#)

ii The Council adopted a framework for restrictive measures in response to Turkey's unauthorized drilling activities in the Eastern Mediterranean.

[\(Council Press Release, November 11, 2019\)](#)

iii Council Regulation 2019/1890 concerning restrictive measures in view of Turkey's unauthorized drilling activities in the Eastern Mediterranean.

[\(OJ 2019 L 291/3\)](#)

iv Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/1894 concerning restrictive measures in view of Turkey's unauthorized drilling activities in the Eastern Mediterranean.

[\(OJ 2019 L 291/47\)](#)

Ukraine/Russia

i The Council adopted amendments to the statements of reasons for certain persons and entities subject to restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine.

[\(Council Press Release, November 25, 2019\)](#)

ii Notice for the attention of certain persons and entities subject to the restrictive measures provided for in Council Decision 2014/145/CFSP and Council Regulation 269/2014.

[\(OJ 2019 C 400/4\)](#)

iii Notice for the attention of a person subject to the restrictive measures provided for in Council Decision 2014/119/CFSP and in Council Regulation 208/2014.

[\(OJ 2019 C 400/5\)](#)

iv Notice for the attention of the data subjects to whom the restrictive measures provided for in Council Decision 2014/119/CFSP and Council Regulation 208/2014 apply.

[\(OJ 2019 C 400/6\)](#)

- v The Council prolonged the economic sanctions targeting specific sectors of the Russian economy by six months.
([Council Press Release](#), December 19, 2019)
- vi Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/2192 amending Decision 2014/512/CFSP.
([OJ 2019 L 330/71](#))

Venezuela

- i The Council extended restrictive measures against Venezuela for one year.
([Council Press Release](#), November 11, 2019)
- ii Council Regulation 2019/1889 amending Regulation 2017/2063.
([OJ 2019 L 291/1](#))
- iii Council Implementing Regulation 2019/1891 implementing Regulation 2017/2063.
([OJ 2019 L 291/13](#))
- iv Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/1893 amending Decision (CFSP) 2017/2074.
([OJ 2019 L 291/42](#))
- v Notice for the attention of the persons subject to the restrictive measures provided for in Council Decision (CFSP) 2017/2074, as amended by Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/1893, and in Regulation 2017/2063, as implemented by Council Implementing Regulation 2019/1891.
([OJ 2019 C 384/2](#))
- vi Notice for the attention of the data subjects to whom the restrictive measures provided for in Council Decision (CFSP) 2017/2074 and Council Regulation 2017/2063 apply.
([OJ 2019 C 384/3](#))

4. Other Measures

Negotiating directives on investment facilitation

The Council adopted a decision supplementing the negotiating directives for the Doha Development Agenda regarding the negotiations of a multilateral framework on investment facilitation.
([Council Press Release](#), October 7, 2019)

Europeans' attitudes on trade and EU trade policy

The Commission published the results of a special Eurobarometer survey on Europeans' attitudes on trade and EU trade policy.
([Commission Press Release](#), November 20, 2019; [Report](#), November 2019)

Arms

- i The Council adopted the twenty-first annual report on arms exports.
([Council Press Release](#), November 21, 2019)
- ii Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/2191 in support of a global reporting mechanism on illicit conventional arms and their ammunition to reduce the risk of their diversion and illicit transfer ('iTrace IV').
([OJ 2019 L 330/53](#))

Weapons

- i The Council adopted a decision in support of Ukraine's efforts to combat illicit trafficking in weapons, ammunition and explosives, in cooperation with the OSCE.
([Council Press Release](#), December 3, 2019)
- ii Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/2009 in support of Ukraine's efforts to combat illicit trafficking in weapons, ammunition and explosives, in cooperation with the OSCE.
([OJ 2019 L 312/42](#))
- iii Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/2108 in support of strengthening biological safety and security in Latin America in line with the implementation of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1540 (2004) on non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and their means of delivery.
([OJ 2019 L 318/123](#))
- iv Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/2112 amending Decision (CFSP) 2017/2303 in support of the continued implementation of UN Security Council Resolution 2118 (2013) and OPCW Executive Council decision EC-M-33/DEC.1 on the destruction of Syrian chemical weapons, in the framework of the implementation of the EU Strategy against proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.
([OJ 2019 L 318/159](#))
- v Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/2111 in support of SEESAC disarmament and arms control activities in South-East Europe reducing the threat of illicit small arms and light weapons and their ammunition.
([OJ 2019 L 318/147](#))
- vi Council Decision (CFSP) 2019/2113 amending Decision (CFSP) 2016/2356 in support of SEESAC disarmament and arms control activities in South-East Europe in the framework of the EU Strategy to combat illicit accumulation and trafficking of SALW and their ammunition.
([OJ 2019 L 318/161](#))

Regional Convention on pan-Euro-Mediterranean preferential rules of origin

- i Proposed Council decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU within the Joint Committee established by the Regional Convention on pan-Euro-Mediterranean preferential rules of origin as regards the amendment of the Convention. ([COM 2019/482](#), October 14, 2019)
- ii The Council adopted a decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU within the Joint Committee established by the Regional Convention on pan-Euro-Mediterranean preferential rules of origin as regards the amendment of the convention. ([Council Press Release](#), November 25, 2019)
- iii Council Decision 2019/2198 on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU within the Joint Committee established by the Regional Convention on pan-Euro-Mediterranean preferential rules of origin as regards the amendment of the Convention. ([OJ 2019 L 339/1](#))

Investor-to-state dispute settlement

Commission report on the operation of Regulation 912/2014 on the financial responsibility linked to investor-to-state dispute settlement under international agreements to which the EU is party. ([COM 2019/597](#), November 19, 2019)

Dual-use goods

- i Commission report on the implementation of Regulation 428/2009 setting up a Community regime for the control of exports, transfer, brokering and transit of dual-use items, including a report on the exercise of the power to adopt delegated acts conferred on the Commission pursuant to Regulation 599/2014 amending Council Regulation 428/2009 setting up a Community regime for the control of exports, transfer, brokering and transit of dual-use items. ([COM 2019/562](#), November 4, 2019; [Annex](#), November 4, 2019)
- ii Commission Delegated Regulation 2019/2199 amending Council Regulation 428/2009 setting up a Community regime for the control of exports, transfer, brokering and transit of dual-use items. ([OJ 2019 L 338/1](#))

Torture products

- i Commission report on export authorization in 2017 and 2018 pursuant to the Regulation concerning

trade in certain goods which could be used for capital punishment, torture or other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment.

([COM 2019/445](#), October 1, 2019; [Annexes](#) 1-5, October 1, 2019)

- ii Commission report on the activities and consultations of the Anti-Torture Coordination Group referred to in Article 31 of Regulation 2019/125 concerning trade in certain goods which could be used for capital punishment, torture or other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment. ([COM 2019/449](#), October 7, 2019)

Common military list of the EU

Twenty-first annual report according to Article 8(2) of Council Common Position 2008/944/CFSP defining common rules governing the control of exports of military technology and equipment.

([OJ 2019 C 437/1](#))

Trade in seal products

Commission report on the exercise of the delegated powers conferred on the Commission pursuant to Regulation 1007/2009, as amended by Regulation 2015/1775 on trade in seal products.

([COM 2019/630](#), December 17, 2019)

III. EC Customs Policy

EU COURTS

Combined Nomenclature

The Court of Justice held that the examination of the questions referred did not reveal any elements capable of affecting the validity of Commission Implementing Regulation 2017/1167 concerning the classification of certain goods in the Combined Nomenclature.

(Case C-677/18 *Amoena*, [judgment](#) of December 19, 2019)

Customs Code

Reference for a preliminary ruling from an Italian court seeking guidance from the Court of Justice on whether, where goods have been physically inspected upon importation, this precludes initiating the procedure for the review of assessments referred to in Article 78 of Regulation 2913/92 establishing the Community Customs Code.

(Case C-496/19 *Capaldo*, reference for a preliminary ruling: [OJ 2019 C 357/11](#))

OTHER EU INSTITUTIONS

Customs Code

- i The Commission published the feedback received to its draft implementing decision establishing the work program relating to the development and deployment of the electronic systems provided for in the Union Customs Code.
([Feedback page](#))
- ii Commission report pursuant to Article 278a of the Union Customs Code, on progress in developing the electronic systems provided for under the Code.
([COM 2019/629](#), December 13, 2019; [Commission staff working document](#), December 13, 2019)
- iii Commission Implementing Decision 2019/2151 establishing the work program relating to the development and deployment of the electronic systems provided for in the Union Customs Code.
([OJ 2019 L 325/168](#))

International convention on the harmonization of frontier controls of goods

- i The Council adopted a decision setting out the position to be adopted on behalf of the EU within the administrative committee for the international convention on the harmonization of frontier controls of goods.
([Council Press Release](#), December 9, 2019)
- ii Council Decision 2019/2150 on the position to be adopted on behalf of the EU within the Administrative Committee for the International Convention on the Harmonization of Frontier Controls of Goods.
([OJ 2019 L 325/165](#))

TIR Convention

Proposed Council decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU within the Administrative Committee for the Customs Convention on the International Transport of goods under cover of TIR carnets as regards the proposal to amend the Convention.
([COM 2019/636](#), December 17, 2019; [Annex](#), December 17, 2019)

Customs tool

Notice on the application of Commission Implementing Regulation 2019/1131 establishing a customs tool in order to implement Article 14a of Regulation 2016/1036 and Article 24a of Regulation 2016/1037.
([OJ 2019 C 366/61](#))

Customs nomenclature

Communication in accordance with Article 34 (7)(a)(iii) of Regulation 952/2013 on decisions relating to binding information issued by the customs authorities of the Member States concerning the classification of goods in the customs nomenclature.
([OJ 2019 C 358/1](#))

EU/Belarus

- i Recommendation for a Council decision to authorize the Commission to open negotiations for a Customs Cooperation and Mutual Administrative Assistance Agreement (CCMAA) with Belarus.
([COM 2019/576](#), November 4, 2019; [Annex](#), November 4, 2019)
- ii The Council adopted a decision authorizing the Commission to open negotiations with Belarus for an agreement on customs cooperation and mutual administrative assistance.
([Council Press Release](#), December 19, 2019)
- iii Council Decision 2019/2229 authorizing the opening of negotiations with Belarus for an agreement on Customs Cooperation and Mutual Administrative Assistance.
([OJ 2019 L 333/143](#))

Common Customs Tariff

Commission Implementing Regulation 2019/1776 amending Annex I to Council Regulation 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff.
([OJ 2019 L 280/1](#))

Agricultural and industrial products

- i Proposed Council regulation amending Regulation 1388/2013 opening and providing for the management of autonomous tariff quotas of the Union for certain agricultural and industrial products.
([COM 2019/596](#), November 18, 2019; [Annex](#), November 18, 2019)
- ii The Council adopted two regulations relating to, respectively, the management and the suspension of

autonomous quotas for certain agricultural and industrial products in the EU.

([Council Press Release](#), December 19, 2019)

- iii Council Regulation 2019/2197 amending Regulation 1387/2013 suspending the autonomous Common Customs Tariff duties on certain agricultural and industrial products.

([OJ 2019 L 335/1](#))

- iv Council Regulation 2019/2220 amending Regulation 1388/2013 opening and providing for the management of autonomous tariff quotas of the Union for certain agricultural and industrial products.

([OJ 2019 L 333/33](#))

Combined Nomenclature

- i Commission Implementing Regulations 2019/1661, 2019/1811 and 2019/1812 concerning the classification of certain goods in the Combined Nomenclature.

([OJ 2019 L 251/1](#); [OJ 2019 L 278/1](#); [OJ 2019 L 278/4](#))

- ii Commission Implementing Regulation 2019/1921 correcting the Danish language version of Implementing Regulation 873/2011 concerning the classification of certain goods in the Combined Nomenclature.

([OJ 2019 L 298/3](#))

- iii Explanatory notes to the EU's Combined Nomenclature.

([OJ 2019 C 341/4](#); [OJ 2019 C 350/2](#); [OJ 2019 C 370/7](#); [OJ 2019 C 387/11](#))

IV. EU External Relations

A. Enlargement

Enlargement and stabilization and association process

The Presidency published conclusions regarding enlargement and stabilization and association process - Albania and North Macedonia.

([Presidency conclusions](#), October 15, 2019)

North Macedonia and Albania

The European Parliament adopted a resolution on opening accession negotiations with North Macedonia and Albania.

([EP Press Release](#), October 24, 2019; [Resolution](#), October 24, 2019)

Bosnia and Herzegovina

The Council adopted conclusions on the Commission's opinion on Bosnia and Herzegovina's application for membership of the EU.

([Council Press Release](#), December 10, 2019; [Conclusions](#), December 10, 2019)

B. Multi- or Plurilateral

Free trade agreements

The Commission published its annual report on the implementation of free trade agreements.

([Commission Press Release](#) IP/19/6074, October 14, 2019; Commission report: [COM 2019/455](#), October 14, 2019; [Commission staff working document](#), October 14, 2019)

Bilateral Investment Treaties (BITs)

EU Member States reached agreement on a plurilateral treaty for the termination of intra-EU BITs.

([Commission statement](#), October 24, 2019)

AMERICAS

EU/Mercosur

The Commission publishes the draft interim Sustainability Impact Assessment (SIA) report for the EU/Mercosur association agreement.

([Commission Press Release](#), October 4, 2019; [Draft interim report](#), October 3, 2019)

EU/Pacific States

- i The Council adopted the position of the EU in the Trade Committee established under the Interim Partnership Agreement between the EU and the Pacific States regarding the amendments of Annexes II and VIII to Protocol II of the Agreement.

([Council Press Release](#), November 11, 2019)

- ii Council Decision 2019/2143 on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU within the Trade Committee established under the Interim Partnership Agreement between the EU and the Pacific States as regards the amendment of Annexes II and VIII to Protocol II of the Agreement.

([OJ 2019 L 331/1](#))

AFRICA**EU/Eastern and Southern Africa countries**

The EU started negotiations with five Eastern and Southern Africa partners to deepen the existing economic partnership agreement.

([Commission Press Release](#) IP/19/5951, October 2, 2019)

EU/Central Africa

i Council decision establishing the position to be adopted, on behalf of the EU, in the EPA Committee set up by the Interim Agreement with a view to an Economic Partnership Agreement between the EU and the Central Africa Party, in connection with the adoption of the rules of procedure for mediation, the rules of procedure for arbitration and the code of conduct for arbitrators.

([Text](#) of decision, November 11, 2019)

ii Council decision establishing the position to be taken, on behalf of the EU, in the EPA Committee set up by the Interim Agreement with a view to an Economic Partnership Agreement between the EU and the Central Africa Party, in connection with the adoption of the list of arbitrators.

([Text](#) of decision, November 11, 2019)

iii Council Decision 2019/1954 establishing the position to be adopted, on behalf of the EU, in the EPA Committee set up by the Interim Agreement with a view to an economic partnership agreement between the EU and the Central Africa Party, in connection with the adoption of the rules of procedure for mediation, the rules of procedure for arbitration and the code of conduct for arbitrators.

([OJ 2019 L 306/5](#))

iv Council Decision 2019/1941 establishing the position to be taken, on behalf of the EU, in the EPA Committee set up by the Interim Agreement with a view to an economic partnership agreement between the EU and the Central Africa Party in connection with the adoption of the list of arbitrators.

([OJ 2019 L 303/26](#))

C. Bilateral**AFRICA****EU/Morocco**

i The Council adopted the position to be taken on behalf of the EU within the Association Council set up by the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the EU and Morocco as regards the adoption of a recommendation on the extension of the EU/Morocco action plan implementing the advanced status (2013-2017).

([Council Press Release](#), October 7, 2019)

ii Recommendation 1/2019 of the EU/Morocco Association Council approving the extension of the EU/Morocco Action Plan implementing the advanced status (2013-2017) by two years.

([Text](#) of recommendation, October 11, 2019)

iii Recommendation 1/2019 of the EU/Morocco Association Council approving the extension of the EU/Morocco action plan implementing the advanced status (2013-2017) by two years.

([OJ 2019 L 327/108](#))

iv Council Decision 2019/2156 on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU within the Association Council set up by the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the EU and Morocco as regards the adoption of a recommendation on the extension of the EU/Morocco action plan implementing the advanced status (2013-2017).

([OJ 2019 L 327/75](#))

EU/Ghana

i Council decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU within the EPA Committee established under the stepping stone economic partnership agreement between the EU and Ghana, as regards the adoption of Protocol No. 1 concerning the definition of the concept of ‘originating products’ and methods of administrative cooperation.

([Text](#) of decision, December 2, 2019)

ii The Council adopted the position to be taken on behalf of the EU within the Ghana/EU Economic Partnership Agreement Committee regarding the adoption of Protocol 1 concerning the definition of

the concept of "originating products" and methods of administrative cooperation.

([Council Press Release](#), December 9, 2019)

- iii Council Decision 2019/2208 on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU within the EPA Committee established under the stepping stone economic partnership agreement between the EU and Ghana, as regards the adoption of Protocol No. 1 concerning the definition of the concept of 'originating products' and methods of administrative cooperation.

([OJ 2019 L 332/19](#))

AMERICAS

EU/Canada

- i Proposed Council decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU in the Committee on Services and Investment established under the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) between Canada and the EU as regards the adoption of a code of conduct for Members of the Tribunal, the Appellate Tribunal and mediators.

([COM 2019/459](#), October 11, 2019; [Annex](#), October 11, 2019)

- ii Proposed Council decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU in the CETA Joint Committee established under the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) between Canada and the EU as regards the adoption of a decision setting out the administrative and organizational matters regarding the functioning of the Appellate Tribunal.

([COM 2019/457](#), October 11, 2019; [Annex](#), October 11, 2019)

- iii Proposed Council decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU in the CETA Joint Committee established under the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) between Canada and the EU as regards the adoption of a decision on the procedure for the adoption of interpretations in accordance with Articles 8.31.3 and 8.44.3(a) of CETA as Annex to its Rules of Procedure.

([COM 2019/458](#), October 11, 2019; [Annex](#), October 11, 2019)

- iv Proposed Council decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU in the Committee on Services and Investment established under the

Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA) between Canada and the EU as regards the adoption of rules for mediation for use by disputing parties in investment disputes.

([COM 2019/460](#), October 11, 2019; [Annex](#), October 11, 2019)

- v The Commission presented to the Council four proposals for specific rules putting in place the Investment Court System (ICS) provisions in the EU/Canada Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA).

([Commission Press Release](#), October 11, 2019; [COM 2019/457](#), October 11, 2019; [COM 2019/459](#), October 11, 2019; [COM 2019/460](#), October 11, 2019; [COM 2019/458](#), October 11, 2019)

- vi The Council adopted a decision setting out the EU position to be adopted in the CETA joint committee as regards the list of arbitrators.

([Council Press Release](#), December 19, 2019)

- vii Council Decision 2019/2246 on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU in the CETA Joint Committee as regards the adoption of the List of Arbitrators pursuant to Article 29.8 of the Agreement.

([OJ 2019 L 336/288](#))

EU/Chile

The Commission published the report of the sixth round of negotiations between the EU and Chile for the modernization of the trade part of the EU/Chile association agreement.

([Report](#), December 13, 2019)

ASIA

EU/Singapore

- i The Council adopted a decision on the conclusion of the EU/Singapore free trade agreement.

([Council Press Release](#), November 8, 2019)

- ii Council Decision 2019/1875 on the conclusion of the free trade agreement between the EU and Singapore.

([OJ 2019 L 294/1](#))

- iii Free trade agreement between the EU and Singapore.

([OJ 2019 L 294/3](#))

- iv Commission Implementing Regulation 2019/1927 on the derogations from the 'originating products' rules laid down in the free trade agreement between

the EU and Singapore that apply within the limits of annual quotas for certain products from Singapore.

([OJ 2019 L 299/45](#))

EU/Uzbekistan

The Council established the position of the EU for the fifteenth meeting of the EU/Uzbekistan Cooperation Council.

([Council Press Release](#), November 8, 2019)

EU/Kyrgyz Republic

The Council approved the position of the EU for the seventeenth meeting of the EU/Kyrgyz Republic Cooperation Council.

([Council Press Release](#), December 5, 2019)

EU/Tajikistan

The Council approved the position of the EU for the eighth meeting of the EU/Tajikistan Cooperation Council.

([Council Press Release](#), December 5, 2019)

EU/Mongolia

Proposed Council decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU in the Joint Committee and the Subcommittee on Trade and Investment established by the EU/Mongolia framework agreement on partnership and cooperation as regards the adoption of decisions on the rules of procedure of the Joint Committee and the rules of procedure of the Subcommittee on Trade and Investment.

([COM 2019/462](#), October 14, 2019; [Annexes 1-2](#), October 14, 2019)

EU/Vietnam

Proposed Council decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU in the Joint Implementation Committee established pursuant to Article 18 of the Voluntary Partnership Agreement between the EU and Vietnam on forest law enforcement, governance and trade as regards the adoption of the Rules of Procedure of the Joint Implementation Committee.

([COM 2019/556](#), October 31, 2019; [Annex](#), October 31, 2019)

EU/South Korea

Decision 2019/1734 of the EU/South Korea Committee on trade and sustainable development on a revised list of experts willing and able to serve as panelists in accordance with Article 13.15 of the Agreement.

([OJ 2019 L 264/42](#))

EUROPE

EU/Armenia

i Council decision on the position to be adopted on behalf of the EU within the Partnership Committee established by the comprehensive and enhanced partnership agreement between the EU and Armenia as regards the establishment of the list of individuals to serve as arbitrators in dispute-settlement proceedings.

([Text](#) of decision, October 1, 2019)

ii The Council adopted the position to be adopted on behalf of the EU within the Partnership Committee established by the Comprehensive and Enhanced Partnership Agreement between the EU and Armenia as regards the establishment of the list of individuals to serve as arbitrators in dispute-settlement proceedings.

([Council Press Release](#), October 10, 2019)

iii Council Decision 2019/1736 on the position to be adopted on behalf of the EU within the Partnership Committee established by the EU/Armenia comprehensive and enhanced partnership agreement, as regards the establishment of the list of individuals to serve as arbitrators in dispute-settlement proceedings.

([OJ 2019 L 265/4](#))

EU/Ukraine

i Council decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU within the Sanitary and Phytosanitary Management Sub-Committee established by the Association Agreement between the EU and Ukraine as regards the modification of Annex V to Chapter 4 of that Agreement.

([Text](#) of decision, October 1, 2019)

ii The Council adopted the EU position to be taken in the Sanitary and Phytosanitary Management Sub-Committee established by the association agreement between the EU and Ukraine.

([Council Press Release](#), October 7, 2019)

iii Council Decision 2019/1748 on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU within the Sanitary and Phytosanitary Management Sub-Committee established by the Association Agreement between the EU and Ukraine as regards the modification of Annex V to Chapter 4 of that Agreement.

([OJ 2019 L 268/53](#))

- iv The European Parliament's Committee on International Trade agreed to modify the EU/Ukraine trade agreement to curb imports of cheap Ukrainian poultry meat through a legal loophole.
([EP Press Release](#), November 7, 2019)
- v Recommendation by the European Parliament's Committee on International Trade on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the Union, of the Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters between the EU and Ukraine amending the trade preferences for poultry meat and poultry meat preparations provided for by the association agreement between the EU and Ukraine.
([Recommendation](#), November 18, 2019)
- vi The European Parliament adopted a resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the Union, of the Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters between the EU and Ukraine amending the trade preferences for poultry meat and poultry meat preparations provided for by the Association Agreement between the EU and Ukraine.
([EP Press Release](#), November 26, 2019; [Resolution](#), November 26, 2019)
- vii The Council adopted the decision on the conclusion of the agreement in the form of an exchange of letters between the EU and Ukraine amending the trade preferences for poultry meat and poultry meat preparations.
([Council Press Release](#), December 5, 2019)
- viii The Commission published the 2019 association implementation report.
([Commission Press Release](#), December 13, 2019; [Joint staff working document](#), December 12, 2019)
- ix Council Decision 2019/2145 on the conclusion, on behalf of the Union, of the agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the EU and Ukraine amending the trade preferences for poultry meat and poultry meat preparations provided for by the EU/Ukraine association agreement.
([OJ 2019 L 325/41](#))
- EU/Moldova**
- i Decision 1/2019 of the EU/Moldova Association Committee meeting in Trade Configuration concerning the update of Annex XXVIII-B (Rules applicable to telecommunication services) to the association agreement between the EU and Moldova.
([OJ 2019 L 276/44](#))
- ii Decision 2/2019 of the EU/Moldova Association Committee meeting in Trade Configuration concerning the update of Annex XXVIII-D (Rules applicable to international maritime transport) to the association agreement between the EU and Moldova.
([OJ 2019 L 276/56](#))
- iii Proposed Council decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU in the Association Committee in Trade configuration.
([COM 2019/606](#), November 27, 2019; [Annex](#), November 27, 2019)
- iv The Council adopted a decision setting out the EU position within the association committee in trade configuration, in the context of the association agreement signed between the EU and Moldova in 2014.
([Council Press Release](#), December 19, 2019)
- v The Council formally endorsed an agreement granting Moldovan farmers and SMEs additional preferential export opportunities to the EU.
([Commission Press Release](#), December 20, 2019)
- vi Council Decision 2019/2245 on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU within the Association Committee in Trade configuration established by the Association Agreement between the EU and Moldova as regards the update of Annex XV (Elimination of customs duties) to the Agreement.
([OJ 2019 L 336/283](#))
- EU/Albania**
- Decision 1/2019 of the EU/Albania Stabilization and Association Council on the participation of Albania as an observer in the EU Agency for Fundamental Rights' work and the respective modalities thereof, within the framework of Council Regulation 168/2007.
([OJ 2019 L 333/151](#))
- EU/Georgia**
- Decisions (i) 1/2019 and (ii) 2/2019 of the EU/Georgia Association Committee in trade configuration updating Annexes III-A and XVI to the association agreement.
(i) [OJ 2019 L 296/30](#); (ii) [OJ 2019 L 296/33](#))

MIDDLE EAST**EU/Palestine**

The Council adopted a Framework Agreement on the general principles for the participation of the Palestinian Authority in EU programs.

([Council Press Release](#), October 24, 2019)

EU/Jordan

The Commission published the report on the partnership between the EU and Jordan for the period between June 2018 and April 2019.

([Commission Press Release](#), October 25, 2019; [Joint staff working document](#), October 15, 2019)

OCEANIA**EU/Australia**

The Commission published the report of the fifth round of negotiations for a free trade agreement between the EU and Australia.

([Report](#))

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