

EC-MEXICO (GOODS)
Summary Fact Sheet
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Table 1: Background Information

Parties	EC, Mexico	
Date of signature	23 March 2000	
Date of entry into force	1 July 2000	
Transition period for full implementation	Industrial goods (EC): 1 January 2003 Industrial goods (Mexico): 1 January 2007 Agricultural products (both parties): 2010	
Date of full implementation	July 2010	
Website addresses or points of contact	EC: http://ec.europa.eu/trade/issues/bilateral/countries/mexico/index_en.htm Mexico: www.economia.gob.mx	
List of related GATT/WTO documents	WT/REG109/N1 WT/REG109/1 and Add.1 WT/REG109/2 WT/REG109/3 WT/REG109/M/1-2, M/2/Corr.1, WT/REG109/M/4, M/4/Corr.1 WT/REG109/5/Rev.1-3 & WT/REG109/6	Notification Agreement Terms of Reference Standard Format Summary Records Questions and Replies

Table 2: Internal trade liberalization provisions

Import duties and charges	Article 3 (common provisions) Articles 4-6 (industrial products) Articles 7-10 (agricultural products and fisheries) Annex I (EC's tariff elimination schedule) Annex I (Tariff Rates Quotas) Annex II (Mexico's tariff elimination schedule) http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/site/en/oj/2002/l_133/l_13320020518en00280028.pdf
Export duties and charges	Eliminated as of date of entry into force
Non-tariff measures	All quotas, import or export licenses or other measures are eliminated on entry into force of the Agreement. No new measures can be introduced. Does not apply to measures set out in Annex IV.
Sector-specific rules	Provisions relating to agricultural and fishery products are set out in Annexes I and II.
Product Exclusions	Yes

Table 3: Common External Tariff

Provisions	Not applicable
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Table 4: General trade-related provisions

Provision	Relevant Article(s)	Additional Information
Rules of Origin	Article 3, Annex III	Annex III establishes the general requirements to determine the originating status of a product, as well as the necessary administrative procedures to claim preferential treatment, for example, evidence of the originating status of products is furnished on the basis of a movement certificate EUR.1 or an "invoice declaration" as provided for in Appendixes III and IV to Annex III. Products are considered of Mexican or EC origin either if they are: wholly obtained; manufactured exclusively from originating materials; or if they have been sufficiently worked or processed. Appendix II and II(A) to Annex III lists the different rules that apply for determining whether a

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		product has been sufficiently worked or processed.
Standards-related measures	Art. 19	A special committee on standards and technical regulations is established under the agreement. It meets once a year and reports annually to the Joint Committee.
SPS measures	Art. 20	A special committee on sanitary and phytosanitary measures is established under the Agreement. The special committee meets once a year and reports annually to the Joint Committee.
Safeguard mechanisms (intra-trade)	Art. 15	May be used during and after the transition period. Measures are to be taken for up to one year (three years in very exceptional circumstances).
Anti-dumping and countervailing measures	Art. 14	Governed by WTO provisions.
Subsidies and state aid	Art. 14	Governed by WTO provisions.
Customs-related procedures	Art. 17-18	A special committee on customs procedures and rules of origin is established under the Agreement. The special committee meets once a year and reports annually to the Joint Committee.
IPR	Art. 40 (also Joint Council Decision 2/2001, art. 36)	A special committee on intellectual property matters is established under the Agreement. It can be convened within 30 days following a request by the other party and reports to the Joint Committee.
Government procurement	Art. 25-38, Annexes VI-XIV	A special committee on government procurement is established under the Agreement. The special committee meets once a year and reports annually to the Joint Committee.
Competition	Art. 39, Annex XV	A mechanism of cooperation is established under the Agreement and reports annually to the Joint Committee.
Investment	None (see Joint Council Decision 2/2001)	
General exceptions	Art. 22,23, 34	The Agreement provides for general exceptions in line with Article XX of the GATT. These also include measure for balance of payments purpose.
Accession	None	
Dispute resolution	Art. 41-47	The arbitration procedure laid down in Art. 43-47 does not apply to the following: anti-dumping and CVD measures (Art. 14); rights and obligations under the WTO TBT Agreement (Art. 19.2); rights and obligations under the WTO SPS Agreement (Art. 20.1); balance of payments difficulties (Art. 21); maintenance and establishment of customs unions of free-trade areas with third parties (Art. 23); special committee on Intellectual Property matters (Art. 40).
Relation with other trade agreements	Art. 23	Nothing precludes the maintenance or establishment of customs unions, free trade areas or other arrangements between either of the Parties and third countries.
Institutional provisions		A Joint Council is established and meets at Ministerial level. It supervises the implementation and takes Decisions in the cases provided for in the Agreement. The Joint Council is assisted in the performance of its duties by a Joint Committee, composed of senior civil servants, to which the Joint Council may delegate any of its powers.

Table 5a: Trade and tariff Data (EU's imports from Mexico)

Sector	Avg. imports 2000-2004			No. of HS 6 digit lines		
	Value	% of total		No. lines	% of total	
	€1,000	by sector	Overall		by sector	Overall
Agriculture (Total)	425,459	97.3%	6.5%	1,083	100%	15.8%
of which liberalized by end of implementation (EOI)	302,468	69.2%	4.6%	487	45%	7.1%
Industrial Products (Total)	6,047,900	97.3%	92.9%	5,559	100%	80.9%
of which liberalized by EOI	6,047,900	97.3%	92.9%	5,559	100%	80.9%
Fish (Total)	37,059	97.3%	0.6%	227	100%	3.3%
of which liberalized by EOI	36,628	96.2%	0.6%	156	68.7%	2.3%
Total	6,510,419		100%	6,869		100%
of which liberalized by EOI	6,386,996		98.1%	6,202		90.3%

Table 5b: Trade and tariff Data (Mexico's imports from the EU)

Sector	Avg. imports 2000-2004			No. of HS 6 digit lines		
	Value	% of total		No. lines	% of total	
	€1,000	by sector	Overall		by sector	Overall
Agriculture (Total)	784,290	97.3%	4.5%	677	58.2%	12.9%
of which liberalized by EOI	329,744	40.9%	1.9%	337	29%	6.5%
Industrial Products (Total)	16,329,037	97.3%	92.8%	4,423	41.8%	84.7%
of which liberalized by EOI	8,925,179	53.2%	50.7%	2,496	23.6%	47.8%
Fish (Total)	10,101	97.3%	0.1%	120	79.5%	2.3%
of which liberalized by EOI	7,866	75.8%	0%	75	49.7%	1.4%
Total	17,123,427		100%	5,220		100%
of which liberalized by EOI	9,262,790		54.1%	2,908		55.7%