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* The Syrian Arab Republic's membership was suspended by the 4th Extraordinary Summit of the OIC.

FA: Framework AgreementPRETAS: Protocol on Preferential Tariff SchemeRoO: Rules of OriginCL: Concession Lists

Increasing the Mobility of Goods in the Islamic World

Trade Preferential System Among The OIC Member States



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What is TPS-OIC?

As in every other multilateral economic cooperation initiative, trade constitutes the core of cooperation within the framework of the COMCEC. Accordingly, increasing the intra-OIC trade has always been at the top of the COMCEC's agenda.

TPS-OIC is the flagship project of the COMCEC in trade domain. The main objective of the TPS-OIC is to promote the intra-OIC trade through exchange of trade preferences among the Member States of OIC. TPS-OIC is based on three agreements, namely the Framework Agreement, the Protocol on Preferential Tariff Scheme (PRETAS) and the Rules of Origin.

TPS-OIC

- provides the necessary basis for the advancement of intra-OIC trade and more ambitious trade arrangements,
- ▶ is an important step towards achieving 25% intra-OIC trade,
- ► facilitates trade by eliminating non-tariff barriers.



42 OIC Member States (out of 57 OIC Members) signed the Framework Agreement of the TPS-OIC.

TPS-OIC Agreements

1988

COMCEC adopted the Declaration

of Intent for establishing a trade

preferential system.

a) Framework Agreement:

The Framework Agreement is the basic legal document of the TPS-OIC, which sets up the general principles towards establishing a preferential system, such as the general rules of the negotiations, the scope of the goods coverage etc.

b) The Protocol on Preferential Tariff Scheme (PRETAS)

The PRETAS mainly deals with reducing the tariffs of the covered products under the Scheme as well as para-tariff and non-tariff barriers. The PRETAS provides two options for tariff reductions:

1990

Framework Agreement was

adopted by the COMCEC and

ratification.

presented to the signature and

2002

Framework Agreement was

ratified by 10 Member States.

PRETAS

2. Fast Track

• %85 of HS Lines (%70 for LDCs)

• Reduction by %50 of margin of

preferences by 5 installments

(7 installments for LDCs)

1. Normal Reduction

%7 of HS Lines
Maximum Tariff Slabs between %10-%25
4 years (6 years for LDCs)

c) The Rules of Origin

The Rules of Origin lays down the rules for determining the origin of products eligible for preferential concessions under the Framework Agreement and PRETAS.

Trade Negotiating Committee (TNC)

- consists of participating states of the TPS-OIC,
- undertakes the negotiations for achieving the objectives of the TPS-OIC Agreements,
- ► responsible for the settlement of disputes regarding the interpretation and applications of the TPS-OIC.
- The COMCEC Coordination Office (CCO) and the Islamic Centre for Development of Trade (ICDT) serve as the co-Secretariats of the TNC.



2004 - 2005

First Round of Negotiations

producing the PRETAS

TPS-OIC envisages special treatment for Least Developed Member States.

TPS-OIC will be operational

After 10 Member States fulfill two conditions concurrently:

- ► the ratification of three TPS-OIC Agreements,
- the submission of the updated list of concessions to the TNC Secretariat.

2006 - 2007

Second Round of Trade

TPS-OIC Rules of Origin

negotiations producing the

2010

PRETAS was ratified by 10

Member States.

Turkey, Malaysia, Pakistan, Jordan, Bangladesh, Iran and Morocco have completed the above-mentioned requirements.

For successful implementation of the System, the Member Countries are required to undertake some internal measures, such as: printing the TPS-OIC Certificate of Origin documents, conveying specimen impressions of stamps to the TNC Secretariat etc.



TPS-OIC is the only trade agreement aims at covering all OIC Member States.

How to participate?

