

Appendix 11
APEC economy progress in implementing their commitments to reduce their tariffs on the 54 products in the APEC List of Environmental Goods to five per cent or less by the end of 2015

This table lists the dates on which economies submitted their Environmental Goods implementation plans (as agreed at SOM1, 2015), the expected end date and the legislative authority used to enact implementation. The date of submission is listed below.

<i>Australia</i>	<i>30 April 2015</i>
<i>Brunei Darussalam</i>	<i>11 June 2015</i>
<i>Canada</i>	<i>8 May 2015</i>
<i>Chile</i>	<i>5 September 2015</i>
<i>China</i>	<i>13 November 2015</i>
<i>Hong Kong, China</i>	<i>31 March 2015</i>
<i>Indonesia</i>	<i>10 November 2015</i>
<i>Japan</i>	<i>16 April 2015</i>
<i>Korea</i>	<i>6 November 2015</i>
<i>Malaysia</i>	<i>12 October 2015</i>
<i>Mexico</i>	<i>11 November 2015</i>
<i>New Zealand</i>	<i>01 March 2015</i>
<i>Papua New Guinea</i>	<i>01 May 2015</i>
<i>Peru</i>	<i>31 August 2015</i>
<i>The Philippines</i>	<i>31 August 2015</i>
<i>Russia</i>	<i>10 November 2015</i>
<i>Singapore</i>	<i>30 April 2015</i>
<i>Chinese Taipei</i>	<i>10 November 2015</i>
<i>Thailand</i>	<i>30 August 2015</i>
<i>United States</i>	<i>06 August 2015</i>
<i>Viet Nam</i>	<i>01 May 2015</i>

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Australia	Yes	Already implemented.	tarifftradepolicy@industry.gov.au	In Australia, rates of customs duty and the structure of the tariff are established under the <i>Customs Tariff Act 1995</i> . Reductions in customs duty and restructuring of the nomenclature may be implemented through amendment to the <i>Customs Tariff Act 1995</i> .
Brunei Darussalam	Yes	Already implemented.	Lee Kok Ting Second Secretary Department of Economic Cooperation Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade +673 2383374 ext 1889/ +673 8831188 kokting.lee@mfa.gov.bn <mailto:kokting.lee@mfa.gov.bn>	Ministry of Finance, Brunei Darussalam
Canada	yes	Already implemented.		In Canada, rates of import customs duty and the structure of the national tariff nomenclature are established under the <i>Customs Tariff</i> statute. Section 14 of the statute provides for the modification, by regulation, of the schedule of tariff items and rates of customs duty to give effect to an agreement relating to international trade. The regulatory vehicle is an Order in Council that is considered by Cabinet and the Governor General. Approved regulations are published in the <i>Canada Gazette</i> . Most of Canada's applied MFN tariffs on the goods contained in the list announced by APEC Leaders in

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				September 2012 were at 5% or less. Of three tariff items with applied MFN tariffs exceeding 5%, one tariff item was inconsistent with the ex-outs for that subheading, and two tariff items were covered by the initiative and required reductions in their applied MFN tariffs. These tariffs were reduced on 8 March 2015. The Order in Council that implemented that reduction was published in the Canada Gazette on 27 March 2015: http://gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p2/2013-03-27/html/sor-dors43-eng.html .
China	Yes	By the end of 2015.	Wang Chunyang (Mr) Department of International Trade & Economic Affairs Ministry of Commerce The People's Republic of China Tel: 86-10-65197765 Fax: 86-10-65197980 wangchunyang@mofcom.gov.cn	In accordance with the Regulations of the People's Republic of China on Import and Export Duties, The State Council shall establish the Tariff Commission, which is responsible for making adjustment to and interpretation of tariff items, tariff headings and duty rates in the <i>Customs Import and Export Tariff of the People's Republic of China</i> and the <i>Flat Duty Rates on Inward Articles of the People's Republic of China</i> and implementing such adjustment and interpretation after they are submitted to and approved by the State Council.
Chile	Yes			Unknown.

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Hong Kong, China	Yes	Already implemented.	Miss Vega Wong Assistant Director-General of the Trade and Industry Department Hong Kong, China Email : vegawong@tid.gov.hk Tel : +852 2398 5305	Hong Kong, China applies zero tariff on all imports under the 54 HS subheadings (six-digit) in APEC's Environmental Goods (EG) initiative. As such, no changes are required in Hong Kong, China's MFN tariffs to meet the APEC EG commitments.
Indonesia	Yes			<p>1. In light of APEC Leaders' Commitment in 2012 to reduce applied tariff rates to 5 per cent or less by the end of 2015, Indonesia has now imposed a 0-5% MFN tariffs on 48 subheadings (six-digit) of the APEC Environmental Goods List. The list of Indonesia's tariff lines on which APEC EGs commitment shall apply to, is as attached. As established under Law on Customs No. 10/1995 on Section III and amended by Law on Customs No. 17/2006, the rates of Indonesia's import tariff duty is to be regulated under a derivative legal instruments, such as ministerial regulation published by the related ministries. While, unilateral liberalization is subject to domestic stakeholders approval.</p> <p>2. Indonesia has yet to conduct further internal consultations for the remaining 6 subheadings given the current' economic</p>

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				<p>circumstances and the condition of the domestic industry. Given that internal consultations are still ongoing, importers of the remaining 6 subheadings may use the published Minister of Finance Regulation No. 101/PMK.04/2007 that regulates import duty exemption on imported equipment and materials used to prevent environmental pollution. Under the regulation, any imported equipment and material used on the purpose of environmental pollution prevention could be exempted from tariff application upon the recommendation from Minister of Environment and subject to the approval of Minister of Finance. This legal instrument has carried out the philosophical objective and spirit of APEC Environmental Goods Initiative.</p>
Japan	Yes	Already implemented.	<p>Kiyoshi Shimonishi(Mr.) APEC Division, Economic Bureau, MOFA, JAPAN Direct;+81-3-5501-8342 E-mail; kiyoshi.shimonishi@mofa.go.jp</p>	<p>In Japan, rates of customs duty and structure of the tariff are stipulated in the Customs Law (established in 1954, latest revision was in Mar 2015), the Custom Tariff Law (established in 1910, latest revision was in Mar 2014.) and the Temporary Tariff Measures Law (established in 1960, latest revision was in Mar 2015).</p>

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				Legislative Authority is Ministry of Finance.
Korea	Yes	The Korean government will complete the amendment process before December 31, 2015, and proceed with the reduced tariff rates to be applied to the APEC environmental goods from January 1, 2016.	Jin KIM(Mr.) Director(APEC), Multilateral Trade Cooperation Division, MOTIE E-mail : mtrade@korea.kr , Mobile : +82-10-8637-7425	The Korean government plans to amend the "Schedules for International Cooperation Duty Rates", a presidential decree, pursuant to the relevant article of Korea's Customs Act (Act No. 12847, December 23, 2014) in order to implement the commitment to reduce tariff rates for the APEC Environmental Goods for which the current MFN applied tariff rates exceed five per cent as indicated in Korea's implementation plan. The legislative vehicle for the tariff rate reduction will be an amendment of the presidential decree mentioned above. In general, the amendment process takes four to five months and mainly involves the following procedures: pre-announcement of legislation, consultation among related government bodies, screening by the Ministry of Government Legislation, deliberation by a Cabinet meeting, signing by the President, and proclamation through the Official Gazette of the government. The Korean government will complete the amendment process before December 31, 2015, and proceed with the reduced tariff rates to be applied to the APEC environmental goods from January 1, 2016.
Malaysia	Yes	By the end of 2015.	Ms Aedreena Reeza Alwi Email: aedreena@miti.gov.my , apecmiti@miti.gov.my)	In Malaysia, rates of import tariffs and the structure of the tariffs are established under Section 11 of Customs Act 1967.

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				<p>Under the provision, reductions in import duties and restructuring of the nomenclature can be implemented through orders published in the Federal gazette , namely as Customs Duties Order . This process for reducing tariff rates through gazetting of orders takes approximately 3-4 months to be completed. It involves various stakeholders including Ministry of Finance (MOF), Royal Malaysian Customs Department (RMCD) and Attorney General Chambers (AGC). The flow of process includes procedures such as policy approval, drafting of order, notification of order in Federal Gazette and tabling of the order in the Parliament. The order will become effective once the Parliament has approved it.</p>
Mexico	Yes	By the end of 2015.	Ms Monica Lopez Email: monica.lopez@economia.gob.mx	Have listed tariff implementation plan in accordance with the Mexican General Import and Export Customs Tariff Law (Ley de los Impuestos Generales de Importación y Exportación, LIGIE). The list was

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				<p>approved by the Foreign Trade Commission (Comisión de Comercio Exterior, COCEX) week of August 29.</p> <p>The necessary amendments to the LIGIE will be implemented through Presidential Decree. The process for publishing this Decree takes from two to three months.</p>
New Zealand	Yes	Already Implemented.	Paul Hawkes Email: paul.hawkes@mfat.govt.nz Tel: +64 4 439 7908	<p>In New Zealand, rates of import tariff duty and the structure of the tariff are established under the Tariff Act 1988. Section 9 of the Tariff Act 1988 provides for alterations and modifications of the Tariff and section 10 provides for alterations to nomenclature.</p> <p>Under these provisions, reductions in tariff-duty and restructuring of the nomenclature that do not impose higher tariff-duty may be implemented through regulations, namely by Order in Council.</p>
Papua New Guinea	Yes	Papua New Guinea plans to implement the	Julie Wapo Juliewapo22@gmail.com	Papua New Guinea's tariff is governed under the PNG Customs Tariff Act which is administered by the PNG Customs Service. PNG is in its final phase of tariff reduction

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		commitment by the end of 2015.		<p>which commenced in 2006 and will end in 2018. Any further reductions to the tariff is the responsibility of the PNG Treasury Department. Out of the 54 goods on the APEC EGS List 53 are already at zero tariff and one (4418.79 Bamboo flooring) is currently at 15% by 2018 the tariff will reduce to 10%.</p> <p>All changes to the tariff is normally done through the annual budget sessions of the PNG Parliament in November. PNG intends to reduce the tariff rate on bamboo floorings to 5% by creating and additional tariff line specifically for bamboo floorings hopefully by November 2015 through our annual budget session.</p>
Peru	yes	Already implemented.	Mrs. Angela Guerra E-mail: aguerra@mincetur.gob.pe	Peru has completed the MFN tariffs' reductions under 5%, actually at 0%, for all the tariff lines included in the APEC List of Environmental Goods.
Philippines	Yes	Already implemented.	Ms. Marie Sherylyn D. Aquia Department of Trade and Industry Email: SherylynAquia@dti.gov.ph Tel: +63 2 465 3360	The nomenclature and MFN rates of duty are provided under the Tariff and Customs Code of the Philippines (TCCP), as amended. Section 401 of the TCCP, as amended, empowers the President, upon recommendation of the National Economic

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				<p>Development Authority (NEDA), to modify import duties (including any necessary change in nomenclature).</p> <p>Executive Order 185 was signed by the President on 26 June 2015 with immediate effect, bringing down the rates of the relevant goods (3 lines) to five percent, thus making the Philippines compliant before the end of 2015.</p> <p>Full text is available at: http://www.gov.ph/2015/06/26/executive-order-no-185-s-2015/</p>
Russia	Yes	Russia aims to fulfil its commitment by the end of 2015.	Ms Chistyakova Ekaterina, Department of Trade Negotiations Email: chistjakovaes@economy.gov.ru Tel: +7 495 651 76 33	<p>** Any change in Common Customs Tariff of Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU) shall be approved by means of consensus between all member-states of EAEU. In that light the further tariff reduction on flooring panels of bamboo tend to be completed as soon as it will be approved by all member-states of EAEU. Russia continue internal work to complete the implementation of the EG APEC list.</p> <p>*Regarding these items import tariff is</p>

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				expected to go down by 5 % from September 2016, although currently the internal consultations take place to consider earlier reductions for tariff lines marked with asterisk '*'.
Singapore	Yes	Already Implemented.	Benjamin Tan Email: Benjamin_Tan@mti.gov.sg	MFN tariffs for all Goods (except for 6 lines) into Singapore are free. As such, no changes are required in Singapore's MFN tariffs to meet these commitments.
Chinese Taipei	Yes	Chinese Taipei will fulfil its commitment by the end of 2015.	Estela Yu Chi CHEN Email: estela@trade.gov.tw ; ctboft@gmail.com	In Chinese Taipei, the process of reducing tariff rates involves policy approval by Customs Tariff Commission under the Ministry of Finance, whose determination will be submitted to the Ministry of Finance and subsequently referred to the Executive Yuan for approval. In case the Executive Yuan approves the draft amendments, they are then referred to the Legislative Yuan for deliberation. The president will make promulgation of the customs import tariff amendments shortly after the date on which they are passed by

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				<p>the Legislative Yuan.</p> <p>The APEC EGs implementation plan was approved by the Executive Yuan and then referred to the Legislative Yuan for deliberation on September 17, 2015. It is currently being reviewed by the Legislative Yuan.</p>
Thailand	Yes	Thailand aims to fulfil its commitment by the end of 2015.	Miss Siritala Saengduang (siritala@hotmail.com)	<p>The tariff system of Thailand is under the Customs Tariff Decree B.E. 2530 (A.D. 1987).</p> <p>With the Cabinet's approval, statutory rates can be adjusted, i.e. rates can be reduced or a special duty can be imposed (but not more than 50 percent of the statutory rate). The general rates can be applied to imports from all countries (WTO and non-WTO members). Decreasing or increasing general tariffs requires an amendment to Section 12 of the Customs Tariff Decree B.E. 2530 (A.D. 1987).</p> <p>"Section 12. For the sake of national economy or public welfare or national security, the Minister of Finance with the approval of the Cabinet is empowered by notification, to reduce the rate of duty of</p>

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				<p>any goods from that specified in the Customs Tariff Schedule or exempt from the payment of duty of any goods or additionally charge special duty for any goods at the rate not exceeding fifty percent of the rate specified in that Tariff Schedule for such goods and may also set rules and conditions therewith. "</p> <p>The process involves the proposal of the Ministry of Finance Notifications to Cabinet, policy approval by Cabinet, reviewing and approval of the Ministry of Finance Notifications by the Office of Council of State, submission of the Ministry of Finance Notifications to the Customs Department and signature by the Minister of Finance. The notification, the cancellation or the modification of the notifications shall be published in the Government Gazette.</p>
United States	Yes	End of 2015.	Bill McElnea Director, Environment and Natural Resources Office of the USTR Email: william_k_mcelnea@ustr.eop.gov	The United States will use the proclamation authority granted to the President under the Bipartisan Congressional Trade Priorities and

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				Accountability Act of 2015 to reduce its tariffs on the APEC Environmental Goods List.
Viet Nam	Yes		Mr NGUYEN Minh Tri - Email: triNM@moit.gov.vn	Viet Nam is in the process of fulfilling our EGs list commitment. Curently, there are 52 out of 54 product lines have already been reduced with tariff rate of 5% or below. The Ministry of Industry and Trade and the Minitry of Finance are working closely to reduce the remaining two 6-digit product lines to 5% or below in line with the commitment.