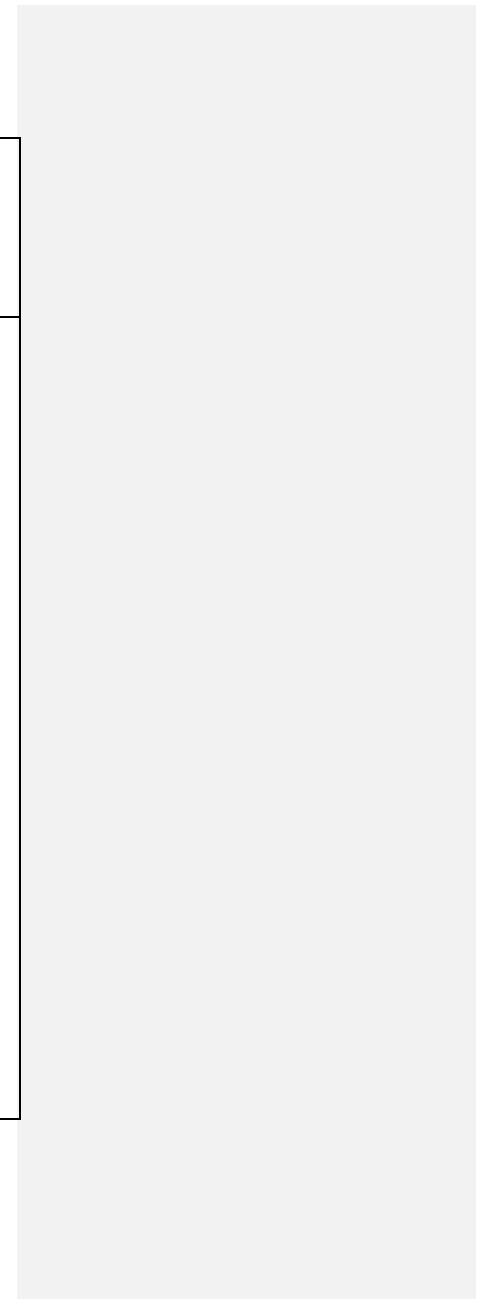


EAC TIME BOUND PROGRAMME ON ELIMINATION OF IDENTIFIED NON TARIFF BARRIERS

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1	Delays in transit bonds cancellation	Uganda, Rwanda and Burundi	Kenya Revenue Authority	Added costs (transit traffic incl. delays in cancellation of customs bonds and Delays in transit times)	Prompt cancellation of transit bonds.	Likelihood of increase of dumping of goods in transit. Goodwill from Partner States Revenue Authorities	The Ministers decided that the Partner States implement the electronic cancellation of bonds within 24 hours. Status: Kenya reported that she is cancelling the bonds manually within 24 hours. Kenya further reported that she is in the process of upgrading the Simba system to enable her to cancel the bonds within 24 hours.	December, 2013.

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2	Numerous institutions involved in testing goods	All EAC Partner States	Statutory agencies.	Time wasted.	Need to invest in One-Stop-Centres and electronic single window systems at border stations Develop and implement mutual recognition instruments	Insufficient financial resources for investment in buildings, facilities and IT system/equipment. Success Factor Collaboration of all institutions into fast-tracking the procedures under the same roof.	Testing Regulations for laboratories were adopted by the Council and referred to SCLJA for legal input and eventually approved. The Ministers decided that: collaboration among the regulatory agencies be enhanced; agencies operate under one stop post as is currently being done between Kenya and Uganda;	December, 2013

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							<p>agencies collaborate at the national borders with a view to fast tracking clearance of goods at border entry points; and</p> <p>Mutual recognition of certificates issued by agencies is implemented.</p> <p>Status:</p> <p>Tanzania</p> <p>Tanzania reported that Dar Es Salaam port had started implementing electronic single window system.</p>	

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							<p>Tanzania is currently working on her testing modalities to make sure that all tests are done at the port of entry instead of having to take samples to the headquarters.</p> <p>Tanzania is yet to commence single window but already has a one stop centre at the port of Dar where all agencies operate</p> <p>Malaba border between Kenya and Uganda is operating one stop border post; Taveta-Holili infrastructure has been completed and will</p>	

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							<p>soon be operational</p> <p>Rwanda has introduced an electronic single window through which most testing bodies share information through the system electronically</p> <p>Rusumo One Stop Border Post is being constructed, Kagitumba and Mirama Hill border posts OSBP construction will start this year and is being funded by TradeMark East Africa</p> <p>UNBS is introducing an electronic single window through which</p>	

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							information is shared electronically Burundi Introduced one stop border post with Rwanda at RUHWA and Gasenyi	
3	Existence of several weighbridge stations in the Central and Northern	Rwanda Uganda and Burundi	Kenya - Ministry of Transport Tanzania -	Time lost at the weighbridges leads to loss of business as	Reduction of weighbridges to two, one at the port of entry	Political goodwill from the Partner States	EAC Secretariat informed the meeting that Draft EAC Vehicle Load Control Bill, 2012 was adopted by a Multi-Sectoral Council	Burundi, Kenya, Uganda and Rwanda by June 2012,

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	Corridors.		TANROADS	goods do not reach their destination in time	and the other at the port of exit		<p>in February 2012.</p> <p>The axle draft bill law was adopted by the Council and is awaiting enactment by EALA in April, 2013</p> <p>The number of weigh bridges should reduce to three in Tanzania and Kenya. In case of Uganda, Burundi and Rwanda to be two.</p> <p>The Ministers decided:</p> <p>to reduce the weighing requirement for transit traffic to two, one each</p>	<p>Rwanda has no weighbridge; Burundi, no weighbridges ; Kenya has four weighbridges and is reducing to two for transit cargo by December 2012</p>

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							<p>at the entry and exit points;</p> <p>Tanzania to await the outcomes of the studies on the optimal number of weighbridges in the region's trunk road network.</p> <p>Kenya</p> <p>Has one mobile weighbridges in Mai Mahiu, Eldoret has been removed</p> <p>Four fixed weighbridges in Mariakani, mlolongo, Gilgil, Webuye</p>	<p>June 2013</p> <p>December 2013</p>

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							<p>Kenya</p> <p>Have only two weighbridges at the point of entry and exit for containerized transit goods.</p> <p>Tanzania</p> <p>Waiting for the outcome of the study</p> <p>Uganda</p>	

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							Cargo is weighed at point of entry and exit;	
4.	Ugandan restriction of beef & beef products from Kenya	Kenya	Uganda Departments of Veterinary Services; Ministries of livestock development and	Ban on market entry and loss of potential markets.	Political goodwill to mutually recognise inspection procedures, inspection reports and	Pressure from businesses not to recognize products from within EAC due to fear of loss of markets	A bilateral meeting between Kenya and Uganda was held on 11 th April, 2012. The Ministers directed that a verification of beef and beef products be undertaken in the two Partner States. The	September, 2013

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			Agriculture		certificates	<p>Success Factor</p> <p>Political goodwill to recognize EAC as a single market area</p>	<p>verification was carried out between 22nd to 24th April and the report of the verification exercise considered by the Ministers in August, 2012.</p> <p>The Ministers urged Republic of Kenya to review the legal notice No. 169 to address the issues of the BSE disease by December 30th, 2012.</p> <p><i>Kenya is yet to revise the legal notice.</i></p> <p><i>Kenya to initiate a bilateral with Uganda and revert during the</i></p>	

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							<i>next meeting.</i>	
5	Several Police road blocks along Northern and Central Corridors, estimated at 36 between Mombasa-Kigali and 30 between Dar Es Salaam to Rusumo border.	All EAC Partner States Rwanda Uganda Burundi	EAC Partner States Police Departments	2q36y	Issue clear guidelines on reasons for stopping commercial vehicles, a daily record of vehicles stopped, reasons and measures taken.	Resistance to remove roadblocks on argument they are mounted for security reasons. Success Factor Follow-up on political decision to remove roadblocks	Kenya reported that she has reduced the road blocks from 36 to 9. Kenya facing security challenges currently but will undertake to reduce further when the situation improves. She also reported that transit cargo is not supposed to be stopped on the roadblocks apart from weighbridges. Kenya has introduced highway patrols along the northern corridor. There is also a wireless hotline.	December 2013

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							<p>has no</p> <p>Uganda has only 1 roadblock at Katonga,</p> <p>Tanzania has reduced roadblocks from Dar Es Salaam to Rusumo from 30 to 15. Tanzania has advertised tender for introduction of electronic cargo tracking.</p> <p>Also Tanzania has introduced:</p> <p>Fleet management system where transporters are</p>	

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							<p>required to stop/report at the identified centers. This done between Tanzania police force and investment climate facilities project that started last year.</p> <p>Identify check points along Dar es Salaam to Rusumo with all necessary communication facilities to ease the movement of goods.</p> <p>Tanzania has provided a number for SMS reporting for track drivers to report any attempts by police</p>	

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							<p>demanding bribes</p> <p>The Ministers decided that:</p> <p>EAC Partner States undertake to explore measures</p> <p>to exempt transit traffic from inspection at the police road blocks; and</p> <p>Harmonized electronic cargo tracking system should be adopted.</p> <p>STATUS</p>	

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							<p>Tanzania</p> <p>Electronic Tracking System has been introduced since November, 2012 and working well</p> <p>Rwanda is working with TradeMark East Africa to initiate the Electronic Cargo Tracking system.</p> <p>Burundi reported that works on the Electronic Cargo Tracking system are underway.</p> <p>Kenya has introduced highway patrol along the Northern Corridor.</p> <p>Electronic Cargo tracking will be in place</p>	

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							by September 2013	
6.	Lengthy procedures for issuing of work permits vary among EAC Partner States.	All EAC Partner States	Uganda, Tanzania and Kenya Immigration departments	Lost business time while waiting for processing of work permits. As per BCI 2008 business take between 1-5 months to acquire work permits for workers sourced from another EAC country.	Political goodwill to facilitate cross-border movement of people while waiting for finalization of relevant Protocol.	Political resistance on need to safeguard national security Success Factor Political goodwill to accept EAC as a single market area	The procedure for issuing work permit has been simplified in Rwanda, Burundi, Kenya and Uganda. Kenya reported that Kenyans who live in Tanzania have received letters from the United Republic of Tanzania asking them to leave their country. Tanzania is in the process of reviewing relevant laws on work/residence permit,	June 2013. September

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				<p>Immediate Businesses are forced to employ locals who may lack required skills.</p>			<p>in line with the EAC Common Market Protocol. Kenya submitted the expulsion notice to URT for follow up EAC Secretariat to facilitate harmonization of classification of work/resident permits, fees, forms and procedures. These are among the outstanding schedules which were supposed to be negotiated by June 2013 EAC Secretariat to report at the next meeting as work is still ongoing.</p> <p>Tanzania informed that work is ongoing on the amendment of the law and major meetings</p>	<p>2013</p> <p>September,</p>

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							<p>scheduled in due course</p> <p>A number of EAC citizens are already working in Burundi even without work permits as they await harmonization of the laws.</p> <p>Burundi reported that URT is stamping in travel documents of EAC citizens that "allowed staying for 3 months. Employment with or without pay is strictly prohibited".</p> <p>URT is currently issuing</p>	2013

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							<p>entry visas for 6 months</p> <p>URT to expedite the change of wording in the entry visa stamp which prohibits EAC citizens from working in Tanzania. URT further informed that the wordings are as per the law but is one of the agenda items to be addressed in the forthcoming meeting</p> <p>Rwanda urged Tanzania to reconsider the issue of yellow fever vaccination cards</p>	

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							<p>URT informed that it is a WHO requirement and promised to submit the documentation before end of this meeting.</p> <p>URT requested that the matter be taken to the Sectoral Council for Health for further action. Tanzania reported that the Yellow Fever matter was discussed at the Sectoral Council for health. EAC Secretariat to find out the recommendations made by the Ministers during the meeting.</p> <p>Rwanda requested the EAC Secretariat to fast</p>	

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							<p>track laws of issuing work permits</p> <p>Tanzania is in the processing reviewing their immigration laws to cater for the work permits for EAC citizens by June 2013</p>	

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7.	Charges of plant import permit (PIP) at Malaba for tea destined for auction at Mombasa.	Uganda, Burundi	Kenya Plant Health Services (KEPHIS)	Adds to cost of doing business.	Abolish charges.	Resistance from issuing authority	Kenya informed the meeting that the charge is a legal requirement for tea destined for Mombasa Auction.	July, 2013.

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							<p>SPS protocol was approved by the Summit in November, 2012. The Protocol is to be signed by the 5th Sectoral council of Agriculture and food security in July 2013 then ratified thereafter by Partner States</p> <p>The Ministers decided that Partner States should recognize certificates issued by accredited institutions of other Partner States.</p>	

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8.	Non recognition by Kenya for SPS certificates issued by Uganda for tea destined for Mombasa auction.	Uganda and Burundi	Ministry of Agriculture Kenya	Uganda to identify	Mutual recognition of SPS certificates	Resistance from issuing authority.	The meeting noted that the issue will be resolved once EAC protocol on SPS has been signed by the Council of Ministers and ratified by Partner States	December, 2013
9	Lack of harmonized port procedures manual.	Partner States	TPA and KPA	Varying grace periods makes the importers to pay demurrage charges which increases cost of doing business in the region	TPA and KPA to harmonize port procedures manual grace periods.	Investments by port authorities	The Ministers decided that port procedures manuals should be harmonized. EAC Secretariat to facilitate the harmonization through the Sectoral Council of Transport, Communication and Metrology (TCM).	September, 2013

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							<p>The issue is under consideration of the TCM</p> <p>KRA is not properly facilitating trade in its operations. The two ports should be able to work efficiently through the Single Window System</p> <p>Secretariat to get status from TCM and report during the next meeting in September, 2013</p>	

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10	Border management institutions' working hours are not harmonized.	Tanzania, Uganda, Rwanda and Burundi	Revenue Authorities	Business community to identify impact Delays and extra cost to doing business	Harmonization of working hours	Security issues and awareness by Business community	The Ministers decided that: border entry points along the main transport corridors should operate 24 hrs for purposes of clearance of goods; and Partner States submit the names of the border entry points to start with by end of March 2012 The following Partner States have submitted their border posts to operate 24hrs	June, 2014

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							<p>Tanzania to open the Holili Border in the next one month for 24hrs operation.</p> <p>UGANDA</p> <p>Malaba;</p> <p>Busia;</p> <p>Katuna</p> <p>Mutukula</p> <p>KENYA:</p> <p>Mombasa Port</p> <p>Malaba</p>	

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							Busia, Namanga, Lungalunga and Isebania URT: Dar Es Salaam Port Namanga Rusumo Horohoro Sirari BURUNDI Kobero	

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							<p>Kanyaru Gasenyi</p> <p>RWANDA: Cyanika 16 hrs Kagitumba 12 hrs Rusumo 16hrs Nemba Kanyaru</p> <p>Rwanda to consult and report during the next EAC Regional Forum</p> <p>Upon Burundis request for URT to open the Kabanga border Post,</p>	

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							URT suggested that the Two Partner States initiate a bilateral meeting Tanzania reported that they are in the process of opening a one stop border post in Kobero by end of July, 2013.	
11.	Inadequate Police Escort mechanism.	Partner States	Police	Loss of business	Provide escorts for trucks	Lack of adequate infrastructure for Police escort	The Ministers decided that Partner States should: expedite the implementation of cargo tracking system; and increase the road patrols along the highways.	resolved

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							<p>. This issue of Electronic Cargo tracking system has been determined by the Kenya courts.</p> <p>Kenya provides escort for high value cargo upon request.</p> <p>Burundi reported that their revenue authorities are currently well equipped to provide escort upon request.</p>	Resolved
12.	Corruption along the Northern and Central Corridors (police	Partner States	Police, Customs, Anti-corruption agencies and Private	Increased cost of doing business	Implementation of policies, regulations and actions that will	Lack of goodwill from all parties	The Ministers decided that Partner States should:	Ongoing

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	roadblocks, weighbridge and border gates).		Sector.		combat corruption		<p>Sensitize their stakeholders;</p> <p>Enforce sanctions for offenders;</p> <p>Expedite the introduction of electronic tracking of cargo; and</p> <p>Increase highway patrol's as preference over road blocks.</p> <p>Status</p> <p>Kenya: Deployed 10 vehicles doing highway patrol's to ensure security; ethics and anti corruption commission.</p> <p>KRA has implemented corruption regulation policies, hotline to</p>	

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							<p>report corruption + 254 20 2603814 manned by deputy police commissioner; KPA established code of ethics and conduct</p> <p>Tanzania: Prevention for Combating Corruption Bureau (PCCB) www.pccb.go.tz to sensitize all government department against corruption;</p> <p>Each institution has a budget line for Sensitization of corruption in Ministries; Cargo tracking system</p> <p>URT Launched an NTB sms monitoring system on 15539 as follows: NTB space write your</p>	

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							<p>complain and send the 15539</p> <p>Uganda: dealing with issues of corruption by fitting cameras to monitor activities at the borders, weighbridges etc; police officers have been arraigned in court with cases of corruptions; hotlines to report corruption cases by the public.</p> <p>RWANDA: hotline; cameras; anti corruption commission; police anti corruption campaign; print media against corruption</p>	

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							<p>BURUNDI: Anti corruption bureau and a hotline</p> <p>The private sector to come up with a yard stick for measuring corruption and report in the next meeting in September, 2013.</p>	
13.	Lack of Verification sheds and parking yards at border posts.	Partner States	Partner States Revenue Authorities and Ministries of Works	Loss of business and spillages of cargo	Provision of sheds and parking yards	Inadequate financial resources	<p>The Ministers urged Partner States to hasten construction of one stop border post.</p> <p>Kobero/kabanga ; kagitumba/mirama hills; taveta/holili; tunduma;</p>	June 2014

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							<p>kobero/kabanga funded by TMEA;</p> <p>Rusumo/Rusumo; Malaba/Malaba; Lungalunga/horohoro funded by AfDB.</p> <p>Burundi reported that Ruhwa on stop border post with Rwanda is already finalized;</p> <p>URT reported that Kabanga is operational while Kobero and Rusumo construction is on-going</p> <p>Kenya reported that Taveta, Malaba, LungaLunga, Busia and</p>	

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							Isebania the work is ongoing and due for completion by October 2013	
14.	Charges by Container Freight Stations vary from port charges	Uganda, Rwanda and Burundi.	Kenya Ports Authority	Increased cost of doing business	Kenya reported that the port charges by ICDs and CFS should be the one approved by port authorities		<p><i>The Ministers decided that port charges include the charges of the CFS so that the one charge fee cuts across all aspects.(AVAIL THE SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT)</i></p> <p>Kenya Ports Authority signed a service level agreement to guide charges by CFS.</p>	Resolved

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15.	Controlled movements of Cargo Trucks between Isaka/Rusumo and Isaka/Kabang are not allowed to move beyond 6:00 pm within Tanzania	Rwanda, Burundi & Uganda	Ministry of Infrastructure , Tanzania	Time lost	Removal of the requirement		<p>The Ministers decided that Partner States should:</p> <p>Expedite implementation of cargo tracking system;</p> <p>Invest more in railway network; and</p> <p>Increase highway patrols</p> <p>URT working on the issue and some trucks are already moving after midnight; to report in details by December</p>	<p>Not RESOLVED</p> <p>Rwanda and Burundi to initiate discussions with URT by September, 2013.</p>

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							<p>URT is now providing police escort for more than 10 trucks but request can be placed for special trucks with sensitive goods.</p> <p>Efforts are underway to make Rusumo border work 24 hours like and Namanga border and Dar Es Salaam.</p>	
16.								RESOLVED
18.	Congestion at the Port of DAR	Rwanda, Uganda and Burundi	TPA	Delays in cargo clearance	Increase the capacity of ports	Lack of financial resources	<p>The port to acquire in the short run new equipment to offload and load goods</p> <p>Decongestion of KPA will be redressed by end of June and Tanzania by end of</p>	RESOLVED

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							<p>2012</p> <p>Kenya constituted a cabinet sub-committee which has addressed the matter</p> <p>URT expanding the port of Dar Es Salaam and is in the process of constructing a new port at bagamoyo to decongest the port of Dar es Salaam.</p> <p>URT reported that TPA has improved yard density from 62% to 52%</p> <p>Several new equipments are under</p>	

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							<p>procurement to improve the services. Constructed ICDs to reduce congestion.</p> <p>The process of constructing a new port in Bagamoyo is underway.</p> <p>Kenya's reported the following progress on improvement of congestion:</p> <p>(i) Rapid Result Initiative;</p> <p>-Completion of dredging to 15 meters;</p> <p>Construction of berth 19;</p> <p>(ii) Second container</p>	

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							terminal construction and; (iii) Lamu Port Construction	
19.	Non-harmonized road user charges / road tolls	All Partner States	Ministries of Transport and Infrastructure	Additional cost to doing business	Harmonize the road user charges / road toll		Harmonize the road user charges /road toll The NTBs is being handled by SCTCM. Secretariat to report during the next Forum.	September 2013.
20.	Weighing of empty trucks in	Rwanda and	TANROADS	Unnecessary delays for trucks going	Reverse the weighing of empty	Resistance of TANROADS to amend the Road on	Consider reversing the process of weighing of	June, 2013

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	Tanzania	Burundi		to load in ports	trucks	Safety regulations	<p>empty trucks</p> <p>URT still considering the way forward on how to handle the issue</p> <p>URT awaiting for the outcome of the study</p> <p>Introduced</p> <p>URT has introduced weighing in motion and also checking physically</p> <p>URT does not regard this as and NTB while Rwanda and Burundi consider it as an NTB. The issue is therefore</p>	

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							referred to SCTIFI for further guidance.	
21.	Requirement by KRA for transporters to have introductory letters from URA on certain products / consignments, e.g. tyres and spirits	Uganda	KRA		Abolish the requirements	Fear of dumping	<p>Abolish the Kenya requires a letter for importation of tyres; letter for methanol because it is diverted into the country.</p> <p>Kenya:</p> <p>Sugar because of high risk of it being dumped into the country. This is in accordance with customs management</p> <p>In accordance with section 204 and 247 of the customs</p>	Mid January, 2013

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							management act. Uganda and Kenya to take it up bilaterally by January, 2013.	
22	Lack of recognition of CTH criteria in the EAC ROO for motor vehicles	Kenya	Tanzania, Uganda and Rwanda	Loss of business	Recognition of CTH Criteria in the EAC Roles of Origin		During the last meeting of the Sectoral Council on Trade, Industry, Finance and Investment, EAC Secretariat was directed to undertake a study on Motor Assemblers in the region.	December, 2013.
23.	Cigarettes manufactured in Kenya exported to Tanzania required to have a local 75% tobacco	Kenya	Tanzania	Loss of business	Abolition of the requirement	Resistance from the private sector.	The NTB was considered during the Bilateral meeting between Kenya and United Republic of Tanzania on 7 th September, 2012. Kenya provided on the	December, 2012

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	content						<p>NTB and URT undertook to study it report back at end of September, 2012.</p> <p>Kenya urges URT to define local content as tobacco grown within East Africa</p> <p>URT to consult and report to the next meeting</p> <p>URT informed that domestic produced cigarette must have 70% local tobacco content there any similar product coming into the country must have the same percentage</p>	

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24.	Payment of double handling charges at the ICDs and at the Dar Es Salaam port	Burundi	Dar Es Salaam	Adds to cost of doing business.	Abolition of the double handling charges		<p>The meeting recommended that Burundi provides more information on the NTB to enable URT to investigate it before the next Regional Forum.</p> <p>Burundi informed the meeting that she had forwarded the documents and information to the Secretariat</p> <p>URT informed the meeting the ICD charges are part of port charges and are therefore not additional charges. The only additional charges</p>	RESOLVED

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							<p>are on demurrage.</p> <p><i>Burundi requested to re-submit documentation supporting their submission through the EAC Secretariat.</i></p> <p>URT to investigate further and revert at the next EAC Regional Forum on NTBs.</p> <p>URT requested to investigate and report back during the next NTBs forum in September, 2013</p>	
25.	TRA imposes a duty of 25% of	Kenya	TRA	Adds to cost of doing	Abolition of the 25%		Tanzania undertook to consult and report	RESOLVED

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	EABL products exported to its subsidiary Serengeti breweries limited in Tanzania.			business.	duty charge		back during the next Regional Forum. URT to further consult and revert in the next regional forum Kenya to consult KBL and revert in the next Forum	
26.	Re - introduction of cash bond by Kenya.	Uganda, Burundi and Rwanda	KRA	Adds to cost of doing business.			Kenya reported during the meeting of Sectoral Council on Trade, Industry, Finance and Investment that the cash bond requirements had been withdrawn and replaced with particular bonds.	Immediate

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							<p>The Sectoral Council on Trade, Industry, Finance and Investment</p> <p>(I) Took note of the withdraw of the cash bond requirement and its replacement by particular bond;</p> <p>(II) Requested the Republic of Kenya to revert to the use of general bond for ease of doing business;</p> <p>(III) Directed that Revenue Authority and Kenya Revenue Authority jointly develop a monitoring mechanism for the application of the general bond in</p>	

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							<p>order to ensure that the facility is not abused by unscrupulous business persons;</p> <p>(iv) Urged The Republic of Kenya to waive all port charges and customs warehouse rent accrued as a result of application of the cash bond; and</p> <p>(iv) Directed Secretariat to develop operational rules for the application of</p> <p>(v) all types of bonds.</p> <p>Uganda reported that the cash bond was removed and replaced with a particular bond</p>	

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							<p>on sugar.</p> <p>Uganda requesting that the particular bond be replaced with a general bond</p> <p>Kenya requested that the two revenue authorities convene a meeting to resolve the divergent issues as directed by SCTIFI of 2nd November, 2012.</p> <p>Uganda informed that the whole issue is now a particular bond. The two Partner States to convene a Bilateral meeting to discuss the</p>	

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							same	31st January, 2013
27.	Tanzania food and Drugs Authority requires companies exporting to URT to register the products before	Kenya	TFDA	Loss of market	Abolition of the requirement		East African Standards Committees to handle the NTB The Standards Committee is to meet next year in February, 2013 to solve the issues related to standards	June, 2013

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	exporting							
28.	Requirement by the Kenya Revenue Authority that tea from Uganda destined for Mombasa auction market should be stored at the Customs Bonded warehouses in Mombasa.	Uganda	Kenya	Increase in cost of doing business	Abolition of the requirement		Kenya to abolish the requirement Kenya to revert after consulting with KRA Kenya informed the meeting that the tea destined for export must be stored in Customs bonded warehouse Kenya to check and report back during the next NTBs forum	Immediate Uganda and Rwanda

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							Requested that tea traders be allowed to store their tea at warehouses of their choice.	
29.	Rice and Wheat flour originating from URT and exported through Lunga Lunga Border being treated as not wholly produced in URT.	Tanzania	Kenya Revenue Authority.	Loss of Business.	Adherence to EAC RoO.		The meeting recommended that the products be offered preferential treatment as per EAC RoO. Kenya undertook to investigate and report back during the next Regional Forum	June, 2013.
30.	Harassment of informal businessmen from URT by	URT	Department of Immigration,	Loss of business.	Kenya immigration Officials to stop the		Kenya to adhere to the MOU signed on February, 2012 between the EAC	Immediately

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	Kenyan Immigration Officials at Namanga Border.		Kenya.		harassment		Ministers from the two partner States.	
31.	Prohibitions of imports of food products from Burundi	Rwanda	Burundi.	Loss of business.	Lifting of the prohibitions.		The meeting recommended that the issue be considered through a bilateral meeting.	June, 2013.
32.	Charging of full duty on aluminum products on EAC duty remission scheme.	Kenya	Uganda.	Loss of Business.	EAC to fast track the study on how to treat products which not enjoy duty remission under companies in the EAC duty remission scheme.		The meeting noted that EAC is currently under a study on treat products which do not enjoy remission scheme.	June, 2013.

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RESOLVED NON TARIFF BARRIERS								
1	Tanzania requires cash bonds for transportation of sugar to Rwanda.	Rwanda	TRA	Adds to cost of doing business	Abolition of the requirement	Resistance from TRA because of possible dumping of sugar.	Tanzania reported that she is now using bonds rather than normal bonds.	Resolved.
2	Burundi charges entry fee for vehicles from other Partner States	Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania & Rwanda	Burundi Customs	Adds to cost of doing business	Abolition of the charge		Burundi reported she had abolished the charge.	Resolved
3	Varying application of axle load	All Partner States	Kenya Ministry of transport	Unnecessary time loss at the	Introduce weigh-in motion	Insufficient financial resources	The meeting of the session of permanent secretaries of the	Resolved Kenya applies 48

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	specifications		TANROADS Uganda Ministry of transport	weighbridges Corruption	systems and harmonization of axle load limits and gross vehicle mass (GVM) in the region	Political disagreements on whether to adopt COMESA or SADC specifications	Sectoral council of transport, communications and metrology was held on 16 th – 19 th August 2011 in Nairobi to consider the matter. The session recommended that a meeting technical expert be convened by EAC Secretariat to develop supportive legal, Intutional and operative framework for approval by the Council by April 2012.	tonnes axle load limit as opposed to 56 approved by the Council
4	Imposition Visa to Burundians entering Tanzania	Burundi	Immigration Department of Tanzania	Restriction of entering.	Removal of visa		Tanzania reported that the issue was been handled by the relevant Government body (Issue has been Resolved)	Resolved.

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5	Delays at the Ports of Mombasa & Dar Es Salaam, which affect imports and exports through the ports.	All EAC countries through use of Northern & Central corridors	Kenya Ports Authority, Tanzania Ports Authority Kenya Revenue Authority, Tanzania Revenue Authority, Kenya Railway Corporation, Tanzania Railways Corporation and Uganda Railways Corporation	3-4 days lost at Dar Es Salaam port, 7-10 days at Mombasa port. Surcharge by shipping lines of USD 12.5 per day after 4 days of ship arrival. KPA charge of USD 20 for 20ft and USD 40 and 40ft containers after 15	Implement Community based systems (CBS) to ensure information. Flow between ports and customs along corridors. Implement one-stop documentation centers to speed up clearance of containerized cargo.	Insufficient financial resources for investment in modern cargo handling equipment at the ports, rail wagons and communication technology. Success Factor Sufficient budgetary Allocation.	The ports of Mombasa and Dar es salaam are implementing National single window system to redress delays at the ports	Resolved

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				days. KPA stripping levy of USD 75 per container.	Continue ports modernization including computerization of procedures to ensure faster clearance.			
6	Restriction of Konyagi exports into Kenya Market	Tanzania	Kenya Revenue Authority/Kenya Bureau of Standards	Loss of business	Removal of the restriction		Kenya informed the meeting that KRA has issued an import license and stamp duty and konyagi products are now imported into Kenya.	Resolved.
7	Lack of preferential treatment on galvanized sheets	Kenya	Rwanda Revenue Authority	Loss of Business	Application of EAC Rules of Origin	Resistance from RRA	The issue is resolved	Resolved

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8	Requirement for certificates of analysis for goods destined for export to Rwanda and Burundi	Tanzania, Uganda and Kenya	Burundi and Rwanda Bureaux of Standards	An extra cost of doing business	Mutual recognition of quality marks issued by Partner States National Standard Bureaux	Resistance from Rwanda Bureau of Standards	The issue is resolved	Resolved
9	Levying of extra charges on Kenya pharmaceutical firms exporting to Tanzania	Kenya	Tanzania Revenue Authority	Tanzania charges on sales vans- US\$20 for each entry and charges on sales persons- US\$200 per each entry.	Abolition of extra charges	Resistance from TRA	The levied have been abolished.	Resolved
10	Requirement of TISCAN inspection	Kenya	Tanzania Revenue	Loss of business	Abolition of the	Resistance from TRA	Tanzania has abolished the procedure except for the traders who do	Resolved.

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	procedure that requires documents to be transmitted to SA and cleared there for each lot.		Authority		requirement		not avail the bill of landing.	
11	Requirement of road consignment note from transporters even before the goods have been packed.	Kenya	Tanzania Revenue Authority	An extra cost of doing business	Abolition of requirement of road consignment noted	Resistance from TRA	Requirement of road consignment has been abolished.	Resolved.
12	Requirement for executing a bond for import taxes before being issued with stamps for excise duty purposes in	Kenya	Tanzania Revenue Authority	An extra cost to doing business	Abolition of the requirement	Resistance from the Revenue Authority	Tanzania no longer demands execution of bonds.	Resolved.

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	Tanzania.							
13	Requirement for executing a bond for import taxes before being issued with stamps for excise duty purposes in Tanzania.	Kenya	Tanzania Revenue Authority	An extra cost to doing business	Abolition of the requirement	Resistance from the Revenue Authority	Tanzania no longer demands execution of bonds.	Resolved.
14	Holding, retesting milk and milk products bearing Uganda National Bureau of Standards quality marks and imposition of import quotas.	Uganda and Tanzania	Kenya's Ministry of Fisheries and Livestock Development, Kenya Dairy Board and Kenya Bureau of Standards.	Denial of market entry and loss of potential markets.	Political goodwill to mutually recognize inspection procedures, inspection reports and certificates	Pressure from businesses not to recognize products from within EAC due to fear of loss of markets Success Factor Political goodwill to recognize EAC as a single market area.	The issue has been resolved	Resolved

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15	Kenyan ban on Ugandan day old chicks	Uganda	Ministries of Livestock Development and Agriculture	Ban on market entry and loss of potential markets.	Political goodwill to mutually recognize inspection procedures, inspection reports and certificates .	Pressure from businesses not to recognize products from within EAC due to fear of loss of markets Success Factor Political goodwill to recognize EAC as a single market area	The issue has been resolved.	Resolved
16	Cumbersome testing procedures for food exports and imports into Tanzania	Kenya	Tanzania Food and Drug Authority (TFDA)	Cost & time incurred in testing & certification procedures	Need to harmonize national export/ import procedures under one technical body	Resistance from authorities currently in charge of exports/imports inspection (TFDA)	The issue has been resolved. TBS is the sole body for quality assurance and standards	Resolved
17	Verification & classification goods(green,	EAC Partner States	Partner States Revenue	Corruption during verification.	Joint verification of goods at border	Lack of verification sheds.	Partner States Revenue Authorities are implementing Risk	Resolved.

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	yellow, red)		Authorities	Credible importers of goods classified under red channel have to undergo physical verification on each consignment.	posts.	Goodwill from Partner States Revenue Authorities.	Management Systems.	
18	EAC Standards Bureaus have varying procedures for issuance of certification marks, inspection and testing.	All EAC Partner States	National Bureaux of Standards EAC Ministries of industry.	Time and cost of complying with testing and certification procedures in the target export	SQMT Protocol demonstrates political goodwill within EAC. Domestication of the	Lack of financial resources to set up facilities for certification Success Factor Sufficient funding to develop capacity in testing and	Mutual recognition of quality marks issued by Bureaux of Standards in accordance with the decision of the Council at its 7th meeting (EAC/CM7/2004) EAC Secretariat is in the	Resolved.

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				country	protocol. Mutual recognition of standards marks. Continued harmonization of EAC standards	certification at national and regional level	process of finalizing procedures and regulations of testing in order to speed up implementation of SQMT Act 2006.	
19	Non-recognition of EAC Rules & Certificates of Origin	Kenya Uganda Tanzania	Partner States Revenue Authorities	Cost of organizing verification missions. Delays in processing mission reports of between 1-	Adherence to EAC Rules of Origin Criteria of 30% local value added	Pressure from domestic businesses due to fear they will lose domestic markets. Success Factor Goodwill to treat EAC as a single	Partner States are now recognizing certificate of origins and verification missions undertaken where origin criteria is doubted.	Resolved

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				2 months. Loss of business opportunities		market area.		
20	Charging 6% withholding tax by URA	Kenya	Uganda dairy Board	Increased cost of doing business	Harmonization of internal withholding tax in the regional		Uganda informed the meeting this was a domestic tax. Resolved	Resolved
21	Charge of 1.5% dairy levy	Kenya	Uganda dairy Board	Increased cost of doing business	Abolition of the levy	Resistance from Uganda dairy board.	Uganda informed the meeting this was a domestic tax. Resolved	Resolved
22	Uganda's certification procedures on exports of milk from Kenya		Uganda dairy board	Denial of market entry and loss of potential markets.	Political goodwill to mutually recognise inspection procedures,	Pressure from businesses not to recognize products from within EAC due to fear of loss of markets	The milk is allowed as long as it has certification.	Resolved

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				Loss of potential market valued at USD 1 million for one Kenyan milk processor.	inspection reports and certificates.			
23	Release of cargo manifest	All Partner States	Shipping lines	Increased cost of doing business	To release the manifest 72 hours before the ships dock.	Resistance from the shipping lines	CMA 2004 has been amended to allow submission of cargo manifest electronically by shipping lines within 72 hours.	Resolved.
24	Requirement that to export Herbal products to Tanzania you either be a member of Tanzania herbalists or to	Uganda	Tanzania Herbalists organization	Ban of products	Abolition of the requirement		Tanzania has already passed some regulations to be adhered to all Tanzanians Herbalists organization.	Resolved

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	declare their formulas.						Tanzania to avail the regulations to Uganda to ease trade in herbal medicine.	
25	Reduction of grace period for transit cargo at Dar Es Salaam Port from 30 to 14 days	All Partner States	TRA	More cost			The reduction is in conformity with the EAC Management Act 2004 section 34.	Resolved
26	Delays at Malaba border for trucks driving to Uganda	Rwanda	KRA	Delays in clearance of goods	Decongest the border	Lack of facilities at the border	Kenya has reported that the issue has been addressed.	Resolved
27	Kenya has introduced Cash Bond on used clothes and shoes / other items considered of	Uganda	KRA	Restricts business transaction	Abolish the cash bonds	Fear of loss of revenue	Abolish the cash bonds on used clothes and shoes Kenya reported that it was removed in April,	Resolved

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	high value						2012	
28	Kenyan Trucks entering into Tanzania are charged a levy of US\$ 200 each	Kenya	Tanzania Border Authorities	Loss of business	Removal of the levy		United Republic of Tanzania to remove the USD 200 levy on Kenya trucks. Tanzania has reported that the charge was abolished in June, 2012.	Resolved.
29	Lack of availability of simplified certificate of origin issued by Tanzania	Kenya	Tanzania Border Authorities	Loss of business	Avail simplified certificates of origin.	Implementation of EAC customs union.	Tanzania reported that certificates of origin had been dispatched to all border posts.	Resolved
30	Non-implementation of EAC harmonized	All Partner states.	Revenue Authorities	Delays in using the harmonized documents	Implement the EAC harmonized documents	Resistance from Revenue Authorities and Business Community in the	Secretariat to cross check and report whether the Partner States are implementing EAC	Resolved.

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	documents.					Partner States.	<p>harmonized documents.</p> <p>Burundi, Kenya and Rwanda have submitted documents used by Revenue Authorities.</p> <p>The Ministers decided that other Partner States submit by the set time frame.</p> <p>This issue is resolved since the EAC harmonized procedures manual has been adopted.</p>	
31	Lack of harmonized	EAC Partner	EAC	Delays in of clearing	Harmonize export/	Revenue authorities may feel the	The EAC harmonized procedures manual	May, 2012

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	procedures manual.	States	Secretariat Partner States Revenue Authorities	imports Varied application of tariff duties	import documentation.	procedures are sufficient. Success Factor Political goodwill at Council of Ministers level to apply harmonized procedures.	was adopted during the meeting of SCTIFI on 30thMay, 2012.	Resolved
32	Visa charges of US\$ 250 for businessmen.	Uganda, Kenya, Rwanda, and Burundi	TRA	Cost to business	Abolition of the Visa.		The Ministers took note of the explanation of the steps Tanzania has taken to effect the implementation of the agreement to remove the fee	Resolved

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							Status URT Government has dispatched a gazette notice abolishing the fee to all border posts.	
33	Re-introduction by Kenya of a cash bond on vehicles above 2000 cc and sugar transiting from Mombasa to Uganda.	Kenya	Uganda, Burundi and Rwanda	Cost of doing business	Abolition of the requirement		Kenya reported that she has abolished the requirement	Resolved
34	Delays in issuing bonds at Kenya border with	Rwanda	IRA	Increase in the cost of doing	To allow more companies to issue the	Fear of loss of revenue	Kenya to consult and report during the next Regional Forum in	Resolved

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	Uganda for tea meant for auction in Mombasa			business	bonds		September. Kenya has opened to all insurance companies to clear tea apart from the 3 which had outstanding issues with KRA.	
35	Non recognition of EAC certificate of origin by TRA for furniture products manufactured in Kenya	Kenya	TRA	Adds to cost of doing business.	Recognition of EAC CoO.		The NTB was considered during the Bilateral meeting between Kenya and United Republic of Tanzania and the Ministers agreed that Kenya provides further information on the NTB by 30 th September, 2012 enable URT to investigate it.	Resolved
36	Tanzania has re-imposed a visa charge of	Uganda and Kenya	Tanzania	Increase in cost of doing	Abolition of Visa		Regarding the issue of re-imposing a fee of US\$ 200 – 250/300 as	Resolved

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	<p>between U.S\$ 200-250 on Ugandan business persons travelling to Tanzania;</p>			business	requirement		<p>reported by Uganda and Kenya, Tanzania clarified that the fee charged was not for visa or business visa as reported but for a pass issued to persons entering the country on temporary assignment and short term business activities. Tanzania further reported that the said fee has been abolished for EAC Partner States citizens entering the country for short term business activities.</p> <p>Tanzania informed that the fee has been abolished since August, 2012.</p>	

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37	Requirement for original documentation at the port of Mombasa and Dar Es Salaam for clearance of goods;	Burundi	Kenya and URT	Increase in cost of doing business	Abolish the requirement		Abolish the requirement	Resolved.
38	Kenya Import levy of Kshs 2 per Kg on Agricultural Products from Tanzania	Tanzania	Kenya	Loss of business.	Abolition of the import levy.		The gazette notice on the levy was revoked.	Resolved
39.	Exports of plastic products from Kenya are subjected to 10% and 25% CET rate.	Kenya	Tanzania Revenue Authority.	Increased cost of doing business	The exports to be charged 0% as per the EAC schedule on the elimination of internal		The Ministers recommended that EAC fast tracks the verification mission of plastic products in the region.	RESOLVED URT to send communication to customs at the borders

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					tariffs.		<p>The verification mission was carried out between 11th and 22nd June 2012 in the region. The report of the verification mission will be considered by the next meeting of SCTIFI</p> <p>The EAC Secretariat reported that letters have been sent out to Partner States and revenue authorities informing them that plastic products are suppose to benefit from preferential treatment.</p>	
40	Tourist vans not allowed entry	Kenya	Tanzania	Loss of business	Allow Kenyan tourist	Abolition of the requirement	Tanzania to abolish the requirement	Resolved

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	to URT				vehicles to enter Tanzania		<p>The meeting recommended that Kenya to get relevant information from the Ministry of Tourism and report back in March, 2013.</p> <p>Kenya reported that this was a onetime incidence and it has not been encountered again.</p>	
41	Lack of interface within the customs' systems in the Revenue Authorities in Partner States.	Partner States	Burundi Revenue Authority	Partner States to identify impact	Interfacing of the systems	<p>RADDEX system has interfaced Rwanda, Uganda and Kenya.</p> <p>Rwanda is using ASYCUDA world and</p>	The system has been rolled out in Burundi and staff is undergoing training on Asycuda world.	Resolved

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				<p>customs systems are not interfaced, it delays clearance of goods under customs control hence increases cost of doing business and loss of market</p>		<p>is interfacing with systems in Kenya, Uganda and Burundi, except Tanzania</p>	<p>Tanzania reported that she already operates on RADDEX system with Kenya and Uganda She is updating its system from version 1.1 to 2.0.</p> <p>The RADDEX 2.0 system in the five Partners States is currently in its testing stages and should be rolled out by December 2012,</p> <p>The Ministers noted the ongoing work on interfacing of computer systems.</p> <p>For the Partner States revenue authorities are developing RADDEX 2</p>	

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							to be ready by December, 2012	
42	Requirement for OTS (Open Tender System) for bulk Fuel Procurement System	Burundi	Bulk Fuel Procurement System.	Stock out of Fuel	Abolition of the requirement		Republic of Burundi provided the extra to authenticate the claims. URT has abolished the requirement.	<i>Resolved</i>
43	Imposition of 75% CET duty or \$200 per metric ton on rice wholly produced in Kenya by Uganda	Kenya	URA	Loss of market to Kenyan Farmers and Traders	Uganda to respond	Consignment recalled back to the country	URA to respond Kenya is still under stay of application and as such her rice attracts full EAC CET rates.	Resolved Uganda to undertake a verification mission through EAC Secretariat to Capwell Industries

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44	Cut-flower from Tanzania for re-exports to Europe and Russia blocked by Kenya	Tanzania	KEPHIS	Loss of market to Europe and Russia	To harmonize the protocol on SPS	Delays act section Partner States to harmonize SPS protocol	<p>Kenya reported that a draft quarantine agreement on rose and cut flowers was prepared and forwarded to URT in May, 2012. Kenya is awaiting response from URT, pending the finalization of the MOU by 31st December, 2012.</p> <p>The Ministers urged URT to forward her comments in pursuit of finalizing the draft by December, 2012.</p> <p>URT is in the process of finalizing her comments</p>	Resolved

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							on the draft agreement.	
45	Requirements for cash bonds by the Kenya Revenue Authority prior to clearance of certain goods.	Uganda	Kenya	Increased cost of doing business	To abolish the requirement .		To abolish the requirement	Resolved
45	Kenya had issued new immigration regulations whereby work permits will not be issued to other nationalities below the age of thirty five	EAC Partner States.	Ministry of Immigration and Registration of Persons	Adds to cost of doing business.	Abolition of the requirement .		Abolish the new immigration regulations. Kenya reported that she will consult on the issue and report back during the next meeting	Resolved.

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	years and earning not less than K.shs168, 000 per month.						The issue	
46	Uganda Government has restricted the employment by NGOs to Ugandan's only.	Tanzania	Department of Immigration, Uganda	Restriction on employment	Removal of the restriction on employment.		Removal of the restriction. Uganda informed the meeting that she will consult on the matter and report back during the next meeting. Uganda informed that the restriction does not exist	Resolved

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