National Committee on Trade Facilitation - CONFAC

Department of Foreign Trade Competitiveness (DECOE)

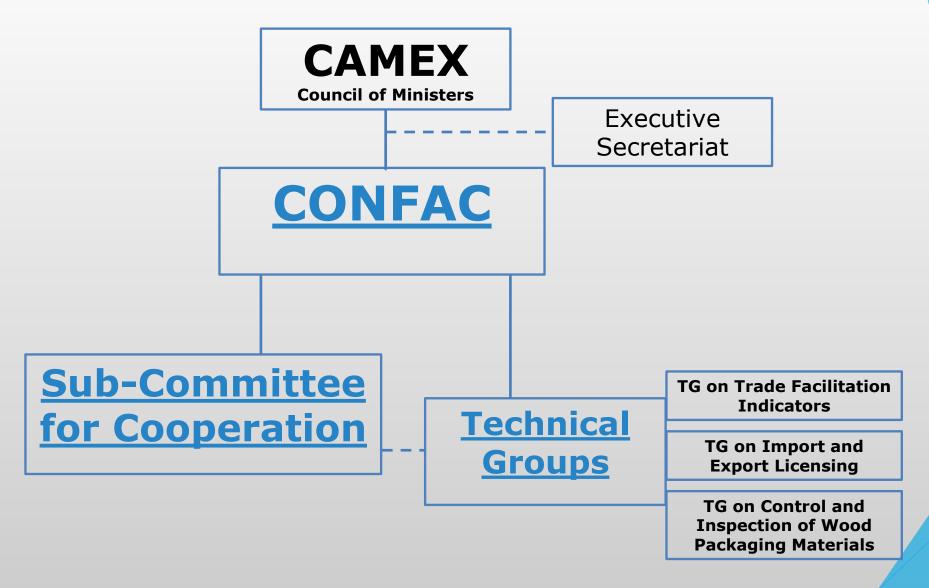
Secretariat of Foreign Trade (SECEX)

Ministry of Industry, Foreign Trade and Services (MDIC)

CONFAC

- ► A collegiate member of the Brazilian Foreign Trade Council (CAMEX), created by the Presidential Decree Nº 8.807/2016, with rules of procedure incorporated by CAMEX Resolution Nº 122/2016
- ► OBJECTIVE: To coordinate government entities engaged in foreign trade in the promotion and implementation of measures aimed at:
 - Simplifying and reducing regulatory burden
 - Coordinating dialogue between the government and the private sector
 - Sharing experiences, identifying bottlenecks and developing measures to reduce compliance costs
 - Implementing the WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement

CONFAC - Structure



CONFAC - composition

- **Composition:**
 - Ministry of Industry, Foreign Trade and Services (MDIC)
 - Ministry of Finance (MF)
 - Chief of Staff of The Presidency of the Republic (Casa Civil)
 - Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MRE)
 - Ministry of Agriculture (MAPA)
 - Executive Secretariat of CAMEX

Presidency: MDIC/MF

Executive Secretariat:
Secretariat of Foreign Trade
(SECEX) / Federal Revenue

Agency (RFB)

Sub-Committee for Cooperation

- Advisory body that promotes dialogue between the government and the private sector
- Composed by CONFAC members and business organizations
 - Permanent guests are the main business organizations, such as the National Confederation of Industry (CNI); the National Confederation of Agriculture and Livestock (CNA); the Brazilian Micro and Small Business Support Service (SEBRAE); among others
 - In accordance with the issues to be discussed, other government entities and business associations can be invited



Technical Groups

- ► To undertake technical activities and elaborate proposals of effective measures to be implemented by government entities
- Composed by CONFAC members and guests
 - TG on Trade Facilitation Indicators
 - TG on Import and Export Licensing
 - TG on Control and Inspection of Wood Packaging Materials



CONFAC Work Plan 2017-2018

- ► Approved by the Council of Ministers of CAMEX, the work plan details activities to be conducted by the Committee:
 - i. Compliance with the category B commitments: to monitor the implementation of the category B commitments undertaken by Brazil
 - ii. Trade Facilitation Indicators: to develop and analyze indicators in order to implement trade facilitation initiatives (TG)
 - iii. Import and Export Licensing: to revise import and export licensing procedures (TG)

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- iv. Government performance in customs offices: to identify inefficiencies and elaborate proposals to solve them (TG)
- v. MSMEs: to ensure that the implementation of trade facilitation policies encourages the insertion of MSMEs in foreign trade
- vi. External demands and Technical Groups proposals: to analyze, prioritize and propose ways of addressing the private sector demands and TGs proposals

Thank you!

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