

TARIFF RATE QUOTAS (TRQ)

Tier of successively higher tariff rates that are applied as imports under the tariff items exceed quantitative thresholds.

TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE (TBT)

A code of conduct negotiated during the Tokyo Round that established substantive rules for the imposition of technical or product standards and for procedures for product testing and certification. Often referred to as the Standards Codes.

TRADE DISTORTION EQUIVALENT (TDE)

The name suggested by Canada for an adaptation (to be agreed) of the OECD producer subsidy equivalent methodology to make it a more accurate measure of trade distortion rather than of income support.

TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY

The movement of scientific or technical knowledge, know-how, or methods of production or distribution from one enterprise, institution or country to another.

TRANSPARENCY

Visibility and clarity of laws, regulations and other government-enacted rules and practices that are relevant to trade.

UNFAIR TRADE

Trade in dumped, subsidized or counterfeit goods; the use of the term has steadily widened as U.S. trade remedy laws have defined new practices that are considered to harm the export and import interests of U.S. companies.

URUGUAY ROUND

Eighth in a series of multilateral trade negotiations held under the auspices of GATT. This Round was launched at a Ministerial meeting in Punta del Este, Uruguay, in September 1986 and is scheduled to be completed by the end of 1990.