

LIST OF ACRONYMS

MAFF	Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (Japan)	SME	small and medium-sized enterprise
Mercosur	Southern Cone Common Market (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay)	SPS	sanitary and phytosanitary
MFN	most-favoured nation	SPWG	Special Partnership Working Group (Canada-Korea)
MMPA	Marine Mammal Protection Act (U.S.)	STAR	Secure Trade in the APEC Region
MOU	memorandum of understanding	TBT	technical barriers to trade
MRA	mutual recognition agreement	TEA-21	Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (U.S.)
NAFTA	North American Free Trade Agreement	TICA	Trade and Investment Cooperation Arrangement
NEBS	New Exporters to Border States	TRIPs	trade-related aspects of intellectual property rights
OECD	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development	TRQ	tariff rate quota
OIE	World Organization for Animal Health (OIE, formerly known as the Office International des Epizooties)	VOCs	volatile organic compounds
PEMEX	Petróleos Mexicanos (Mexico's state oil firm)	WTO	World Trade Organization
SAGIT	sectoral advisory group on international trade		
SCFAIT	Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade		