



# **How to Prepare Comments to TBT Notifications - The Practice of China**

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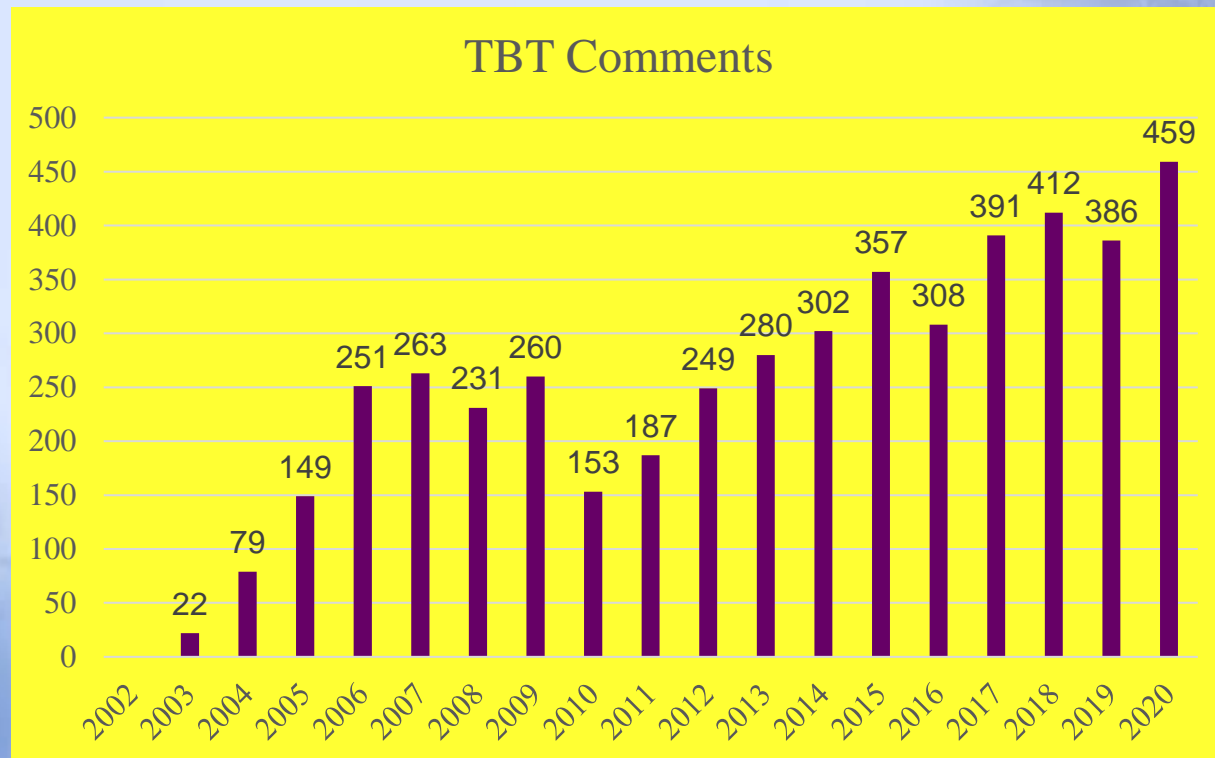
# 1. What We Have Done

## **National Enquiry Point**

Established in General  
Administration of  
Customs to coordinate  
the notification, enquiry  
and comment issues  
domestically



# 1. What We Have Done



## 2. Working procedures

Receiving and translating notifications - Enquiry Point

Selecting notifications for comments - Enquiry Point

Distributing notifications to relevant authorities – mainly by e-mail

TBT Notification Newsletter – including all notifications, published every month

Notifications and their Chinese translation also available on the website [www.tbt-sps.gov.cn](http://www.tbt-sps.gov.cn)

Encourage stakeholders to use ePing system



## 2. Working procedures (cont. 1)

Studying and making comments on notifications - Expert group set up by all Chinese government authorities related to TBT issues

Examining comments - competent authorities

Collecting comments - Enquiry Point

Translating the final comments into English and submitting to the notification Member - Enquiry Point

Coordination between different stakeholders :  
**Important notifications** or **Disagreement on comment**

## 2. Working procedures (cont. 2)

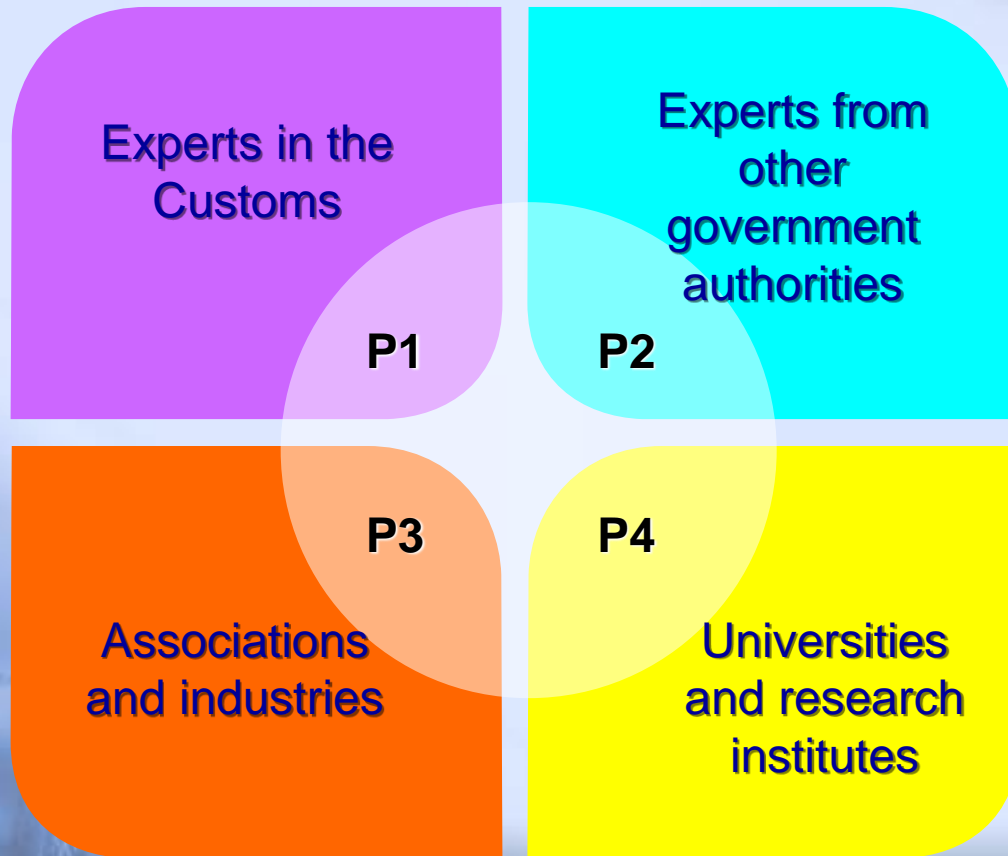
**Receiving responses - Enquiry Point**

**Feedback for reference or further comment**

**Considering to raise a Specific Trade Concern**

# 3. Participants

## Participants of commenting





### 3. Participants

- Research and comment centers
  - Household appliance
  - Automobile
  - Toy
  - Textile
  - Fireworks
  - .....

## 4. Suggestions

**In order to be more effective, a comment is better to :**

**Be as detailed as possible**

**Compare with the practice of similar Members**

**Compare with international standards**

**Use scientific evidence**

**Give suggestions**

# 5. Challenges faced

## Translation

1

Large amount of works – notifications and full texts

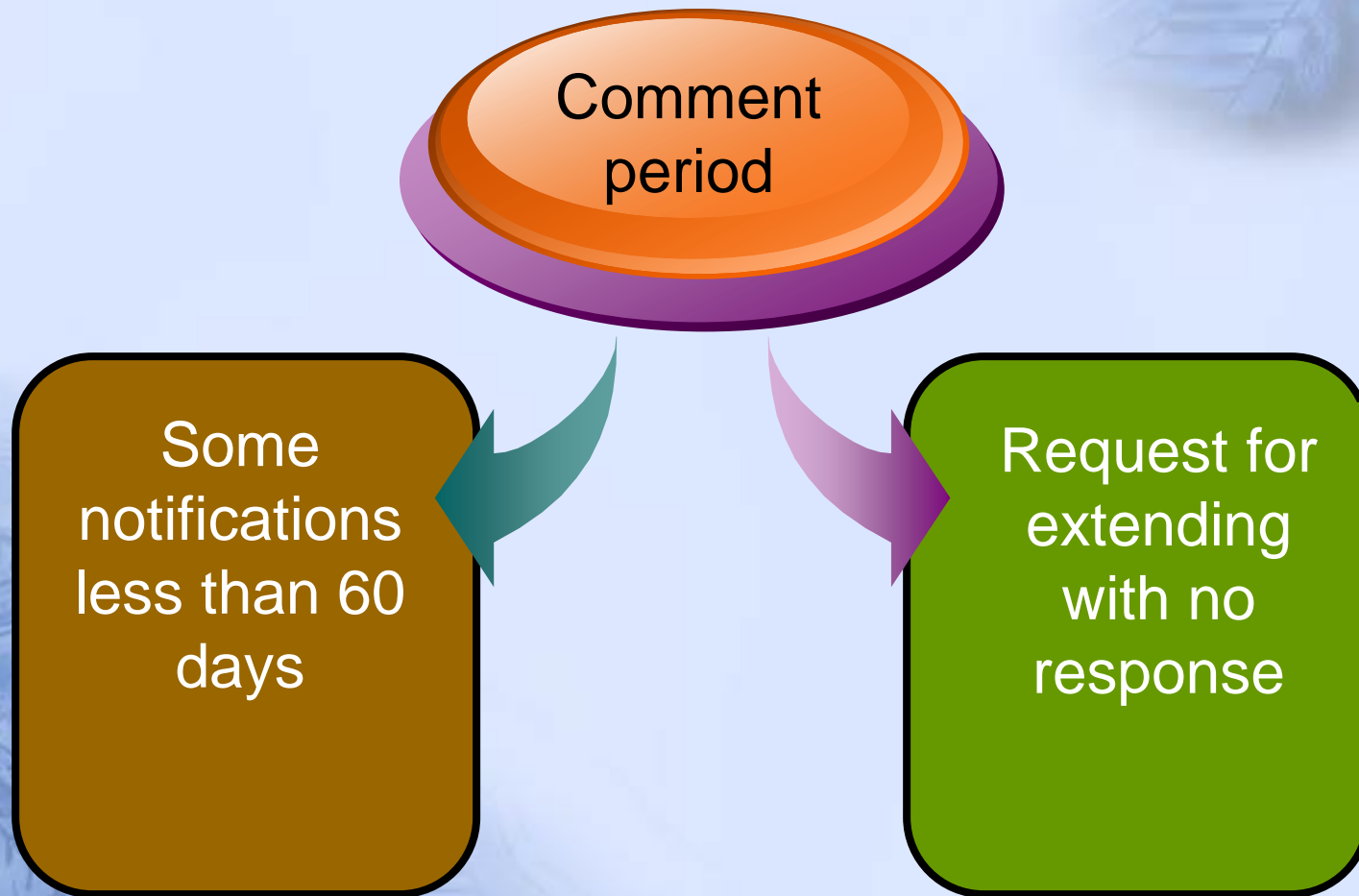
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Costly for both money and time

3

Non English foreign languages

## 5. Challenges faced

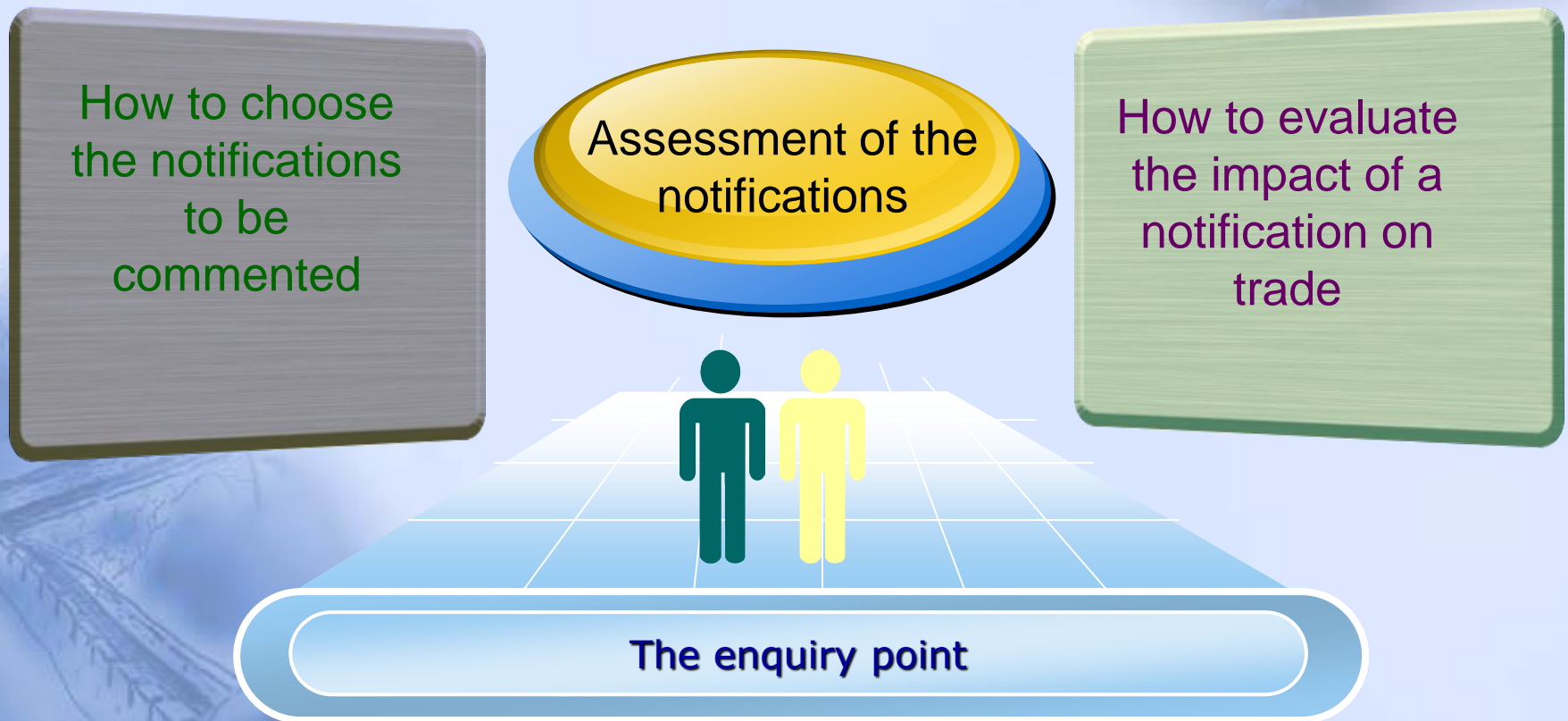


## 5. Challenges faced

- The activeness to make comments
  - The awareness of the importance of making comments is not satisfactory. Especially small and medium-sized enterprises should be encouraged to make comments.
  - Training of industries should be strengthened.
  - The enquiry point takes the responsibility of leading the stakeholders to make comments and providing help.



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### Submitting comments

Some  
email  
addresses  
do not  
work

Could not  
receive  
responses



Thank You