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Trade Agenda

- Trade liberalization on multiple fronts
  - Globally (WTO)
  - Regionally (FTAA)
  - Bilaterally (ftas)
Uruguay Round: First Steps in Agricultural Reform

- **Developed countries**
  - **Tariffs**
    - -36% / -15%
  - **Domestic support**
    - -20% total AMS
  - **Export subsidies**
    - -36% in value, and
    - -21% in volume

- **Developing countries**
  - **Tariffs**
    - -24% / -10%
  - **Domestic support**
    - -13% total AMS
  - **Export subsidies**
    - -24% in value, and
    - -14% in volume
Doha Declaration: The Next Step in Agricultural Trade Reform

- Comprehensive negotiations aimed at:
  - Substantial improvement in market access
  - Reductions in, with a view to phasing-out, all forms of export subsidies
  - Substantial reductions in trade-distorting domestic support
  - Reduction commitments (Modalities) to be established by March 2003
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- Special and differential treatment for developing countries integral part of the negotiations
- Take into account non-trade concerns such as:
  - Environmental
  - Food security
  - Rural development
US Goals for WTO Agriculture Negotiations

- Expand and improve market access through substantial reductions in tariffs and tariff disparities
- Eliminate export subsidies
- Reduce and harmonize trade-distorting domestic support
- Strengthen disciplines on State Trading Enterprises
Timeline for Agricultural Negotiations

- March 2000 - 2001: First phases of negotiations
- June 2000: U.S. submitted comprehensive proposal for reform
- March 2002 - 2003: Modality phase - Establishment of further rules and reduction commitments
- January 2005: Negotiations completed
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