1. To successfully introduce a standardized form of Business Requirements Specifications (BRS) based on the UN/CEFACT Modelling Methodology (UMM) philosophy, UN/CEFACT developed and put into place a phased approach to enable International Trade and Business Processes Group (TBG) business groups to learn and take increasing advantage of the Modelling Methodology.

2. A Business Requirements Specification (BRS) is oriented around single processes that take account of UN/EDIFACT and the introduction of initial (XML) implementations. In a BRS, the TBG business groups provide business requirements specifications as opposed to simply message specifications.

3. The BRS is developed as phase two of UN/CEFACT’s Open Development Process for Business Standards. Each Business Requirements Specification may be accompanied by a Requirements Specifications Mapping, serving to separate the aspects of a requirement that are of greatest concern to business interests from those that are of concern to technical design interests.

*This document was submitted late due to resource constraints.
4. Eight addenda to this document (ECE/TRADE/C/CEFACT/2008/29/Add.1-8) summarize the Business Requirements Specifications issued by UN/CEFACT since its last Plenary session:

(a) Electronic Agreement Template and Process
(b) International Forwarding and Transport
(c) Small Scaled Lodging House Travel Product Information
(d) Accounting in Supply Chain Process
(e) Universal Accounting Journal Process
(f) Transfrontier Movements of Waste
(g) Crop Data Sheet Process
(h) Sourcing of Market Survey Information

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