

## ANNEX I

### Rules of Origin

For the purpose of this Agreement goods shall be accepted as originating in a Party if it has been either wholly obtained or sufficiently worked or processed in a Party territory

The following shall be considered as wholly obtained in the Parties territories:

- mineral products extracted from their soil or from their seabed;
- vegetable products harvested there;
- live animals born and raised there;
- products from live animals raised there;
- products obtained by hunting or fishing conducted there;
- products of sea fishing and other products taken from the sea by their vessels;
- products made aboard their factory ships exclusively from products referred to in sub-paragraph (f);
- used articles collected there fit only for the recovery of raw materials;
- waste and scrap resulting from manufacturing operations conducted there;
- goods produce there exclusively from products specified in subparagraph (a) to (l)

The following shall be considered as sufficient working and processing.

When the product obtained is classified in a heading which is different from those in which all the non originating materials used in its manufacture are classified, subject to paragraph 4.

The expression "heading" shall mean the 4 digit headings used in the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System.

The following shall be considered as insufficient working or processing to confer the status of originating products whether or not there is a change of heading:

- operations to ensure the preservation of merchandise in good condition during transport and storage (ventilation, spreading out, drying, chilling, placing in salt, sulphur dioxide or other aqueous solutions, removal of damaged parts, and like operations);
- simple operations consisting of removal of dust, sifting or screening, sorting, classifying, matching (including making up of sets of articles), washing, painting, cutting up:
  - (i) changes of packing and breaking up and assembly of consignments;
  - (ii) simple placing in bottles, flasks, bags, cases, boxes, fixing on cards or boards, etc., and all other simple packaging operations;
  - (iii) affixing marks, labels or other like distinguishing signs on products or their packaging;
  - (iv) simple mixing of products, whether or not of different kinds, where one or more components of the mixtures do not meet the conditions laid down in this Annex to enable them to be considered as originating products;
  - (v) simple assembly of parts of articles to constitute a complete article;
  - (vi) a combination of two or more operations specified in subparagraphs (a) to (f);
  - (vii) slaughter of animals;

The preferential treatment provided for under this Agreement applies to products or materials, which are transported directly between the territories of the Parties.

However, goods originating in the parties and constituting one single shipment which is not split up may be transported through territory other than that of the Parties with, should the occasion arise, transshipment or temporary warehousing in such territory, provided that the crossing of the latter territory is justified for geographical reasons, that the goods have remained under the surveillance of the customs authorities in the country of transit or warehousing, that they have not entered into the commerce of such countries nor been delivered for home use there and have not undergone operations other than unloading, reloading or any operation designed to preserve them in good condition.

- (a) Originating products within the meaning of this Annex shall, on import into the Parties benefit from the Agreement upon submission of a certificate of origin, Form A, a specimen of which appears in Annex II, signed by the exporter and certified by the Parties respective Customs Authorities.
- (b) The exporter shall be prepared to submit a declaration setting forth all pertinent details concerning the production or manufacture of the articles covered by the certificates of origin upon request by a Party. A declaration should only be requested when a Party has reason to question the accuracy of the statement on a certificate of origin or when a Party randomly verifies certificates of origin.

The parties shall agree to assist each other in obtaining information for the purpose of reviewing transactions made under this Agreement in order to verify compliance with the conditions set forth in this Agreement

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