

AGREEMENT ON AMENDMENT OF AND ACCESSION TO THE CENTRAL EUROPEAN FREE TRADE AGREEMENT

Preamble

The Republic of Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Republic of Bulgaria, the Republic of Croatia, the Republic of Macedonia, the Republic of Moldova, the Republic of Montenegro, Romania, the Republic of Serbia and the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo on behalf of Kosovo in accordance with United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 (hereinafter referred to as "the Parties"),

Having regard to the aim of eligible Parties to accede to the European Union;

Recognizing the contribution of the Central European Free Trade Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "CEFTA") to improve the readiness of Parties for membership in the European Union as witnessed by the accession on 1 May 2004 of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Poland, Slovak Republic and the Republic of Slovenia and the forthcoming accession of the Republic of Bulgaria and Romania;

Convinced of the necessity to amend CEFTA, in order to contribute to the process of integration in Europe through the opening of CEFTA to all Parties ready to observe the provisions of this Agreement;

Having in mind the Declaration of Prime Ministers of CEFTA, done on 29 November 2005 in Zagreb;

Having in mind the Declaration of Prime Ministers of the Parties,
done on 6 April 2006 in Bucharest,
have agreed as follows: