PREAMBLE

Malaysia and The Republic of Chile, hereinafter referred to as "the Parties":

Inspired by their longstanding friendship and cooperation and growing trade relationship;

Desiring to enlarge the framework of relations between them through further liberalising trade:

Recognising that the strengthening of their economic partnership will bring economic and social benefits, create new opportunities for employment and improve the living standards of their people;

Building on their respective rights and obligations under the World Trade Organization (WTO);

Recalling the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) goals;

Confirming their shared commitment to trade-facilitation through removing non-tariff barriers to trade between them;

Desiring to strengthen the cooperative framework for the conduct of economic relations to ensure it is dynamic and encourages broader and deeper economic cooperation;

Aware that economic development, social development and environmental protection are components of sustainable development and that free trade agreements can play an important role in promoting sustainable development; and

Resolved to promote bilateral trade through the establishment of clear and mutually advantageous trade rules and the avoidance of trade barriers,

Have agreed as follows: