Chapter XI

Administration

Article 96 Trade & Economic Mixed Commission

- 1. The Parties hereby incorporate the Trade and Economic Mixed Commission (Mixed Commission) into this Agreement.
- 2. The Mixed Commission was established according to the *Trade Agreement* between the Government of the People's Republic of China and the Government of the Republic of Chile, signed in Santiago on April 20 1971.
- 3. The Mixed Commission is composed of officials as follows:
 - (a) in the case of China, the high ranking official of Ministry of Commerce; and
 - (b) in the case of Chile, the Director General of International Economic Affairs, or his/her designee.
- 4. The Mixed Commission shall:
 - (a) hear the reports of the Free Trade Commission;
 - (b) provide guidance to the work of the Free Trade Commission;
 - (c) consider any other matter that may affect the operation of this Agreement; and
 - (d) deal with any other issues related to bilateral cooperation in the area of economy, trade and investment.

Article 97 The Free Trade Commission

- 1. The Parties hereby establish the Free Trade Commission (Commission), comprising representatives of the Parties as follows:
 - (a) in the case of China, the Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM); and
 - (b) in the case of Chile, the General Directorate of International Economic Affairs (DIRECON).
- 2. The Commission shall:
 - (a) supervise the implementation of this Agreement;
 - (b) oversee the further elaboration of this Agreement;

- (c) seek to resolve disputes that may arise regarding the interpretation or application of this Agreement;
- (d) supervise the work of all committees and working groups established under this Agreement;
- (e) establish the amounts of remuneration and expenses that will be paid to panelists; and
- (f) consider any other matter that may affect the operation of this Agreement.

3. The Commission may:

- (a) establish and delegate responsibilities to committees and working groups;
- (b) further the implementation of the Agreement's objectives by approving any modifications of:
 - (i) the Schedules attached to Annex 1, by accelerating tariff elimination,
 - (ii) the Rules of Origin established in Annex 3, and
 - (iii) Annex 5,

in the case of Chile, these modifications shall be made in accordance with Annex 8;

- (c) seek the advice of the public; and
- (d) take such other action in the exercise of its functions as the Parties may agree.
- 4. The Commission shall establish its rules and procedures. All decisions of the Commission shall be taken by mutual agreement.
- 5. The Commission shall convene at least once a year in regular session. Regular sessions of the Commission shall be chaired alternatively by each Party.

Article 98 Administration of Dispute Settlement Proceedings

- 1. Each Party shall designate an office that shall provide administrative assistance to arbitral panels established under Chapter X and perform such other functions as the Commission may direct.
- 2. Each Party shall be responsible for the operation and costs of its designated office, and shall notify the Commission of the location of its office.