- (iv) relating to government procurement indispensable for national security or for national defence purposes; or
- (v) taken in time of war or other emergency in international relations; or
- (c) to prevent the Parties from taking any action in pursuance of the obligations they accepted in order to maintain international peace and security.
- 2. The EPA Committee shall be informed to the fullest extent possible of measures taken under paragraphs 1(b) and 1(c) and of their termination.

Article 91

Taxation

- 1. Nothing in this Agreement or in any agreement adopted in implementation of this Agreement shall be construed to prevent the Parties from distinguishing, in the application of the relevant provisions of their fiscal legislation, between taxpayers who are not in the same situation, in particular with regard to their place of residence or with regard to the place where their capital is invested.
- 2. Nothing in this Agreement or in any agreement adopted in implementation of this Agreement shall be construed to prevent the adoption or enforcement of any measure intended to prevent the avoidance or evasion of taxes pursuant to the tax provisions of agreements to avoid double taxation or other tax agreements or domestic fiscal legislation.
- 3. Nothing in this Agreement shall affect the rights and obligations of the Parties under any tax convention. In the event of any inconsistency between this Agreement and any such convention, that convention shall prevail to the extent of the inconsistency.

TITLE VIII

GENERAL AND FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 92

EPA Committee

- 1. To implement this Agreement, an EPA Committee shall be set up within three months of the signature of this Agreement.
- 2. The Parties agree on the composition, organisation and functioning of the EPA Committee.
- 3. The EPA Committee shall be responsible for the administration of all areas covered by this Agreement and for the completion of all tasks referred to in this Agreement.
- 4. The EPA Committee shall reach its decisions by consensus.

5. In order to facilitate communication and ensure the effective implementation of this Agreement, each Party shall designate a focal point.

Article 93

Regional organisations

The Commission of the Economic and Monetary Community of Central Africa (CEMAC) and the General Secretariat of the Economic Community of Central African States (CEEAC) shall be invited to attend all meetings of the EPA Committee.

Article 94

Continuation of negotiations and implementation of the Agreement

- 1. The Parties shall continue the negotiations in accordance with the schedule set out in this Agreement, within the existing negotiation structures.
- 2. When the negotiations are concluded, the resulting draft amendments shall be submitted to the relevant national authorities for approval.
- 3. Pending the establishment of the EPA Committee and of other institutions and committees of relevance for the full EPA referred to in Article 1, the Parties shall take the necessary measures for the administration and implementation of this Agreement and carry out the tasks of the EPA Committee each time reference is made to this Committee in this Agreement.

Article 95

Definition of the Parties and fulfilment of obligations

- 1. The Contracting Parties to this Agreement shall be the Republic of Cameroon [hereinafter 'Central Africa Party'], of the one part, and the European Community or its Member States or the European Community and its Member States, within their respective areas of competence as derived from the Treaty establishing the European Community [hereinafter 'EC Party'], of the other part.
- 2. For the purposes of this Agreement, the Central Africa Party agrees to act collectively.
- 3. For the purposes of this Agreement, 'Party' shall refer to the Central African States acting collectively or the EC Party, as appropriate. 'Parties' shall refer to the Central African States acting collectively and the EC Party.
- 4. In cases where individual action is provided for or required to exercise rights or comply with obligations under this Agreement, reference is made to the 'signatory Central African States'.

5. The Parties or the signatory Central African States, as appropriate, shall adopt any general or specific measures required for them to fulfil their obligations under this Agreement and shall ensure that they comply with the objectives laid down in this Agreement.

Article 96

Coordinators and exchange of information

- 1. In order to facilitate communication and ensure the effective implementation of this Agreement, each Party shall designate a coordinator upon this Agreement's entry into force. The designation of coordinators shall be without prejudice to the specific designation of competent authorities under specific titles or chapters of this Agreement.
- 2. At the request of either Party, the coordinator of the other Party shall indicate the office or official responsible for any matter pertaining to the implementation of the Agreement and provide the support necessary to facilitate communication with the requesting Party.
- 3. At the request of either Party, and to the extent legally possible, each Party through its coordinator shall provide information and reply promptly to any question from the other Party relating to an actual or proposed measure or an international agreement that might affect trade between the Parties.
- 4. Each Party shall ensure that its laws, regulations, procedures and administrative rulings of general application relating to any trade matter covered by this Agreement are promptly published or made publicly available and brought to the attention of the other Party.
- 5. Without prejudice to specific transparency provisions in this Agreement, the information referred to under this Article shall be considered to have been provided when the information has been made available by appropriate notification to the WTO or when the information has been made available on the official, public and fee-free website of the Party concerned.

Article 97

Regional preference

- 1. Nothing in this Agreement shall oblige a Party to extend to the other Party to this Agreement any more favourable treatment than that applied within each of the Parties as part of its respective regional integration process.
- 2. Any more favourable treatment or advantage that may be granted under this Agreement by any signatory Central African State to the European Community shall immediately and unconditionally also be enjoyed by each signatory Central African State.

Article 98

Entry into force

- 1. This Agreement shall be signed, ratified or approved in accordance with constitutional or domestic rules and applicable procedures.
- 2. This Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the month following that in which the depositories of the Agreement have been notified of the last instrument of ratification, acceptance or approval.
- 3. Notifications shall be sent to the Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union and the President of the Commission of the Economic and Monetary Community of Central Africa, who shall be the depositories of this Agreement.
- 4. Pending this Agreement's entry into force, the EC Party and the Central Africa Party agree to apply the provisions of this Agreement in accordance with their respective powers ('provisional application'). This may be done either by provisional application, where such application is possible, or via ratification of the Agreement.
- 5. The depositories of the Agreement shall be notified of such provisional application. The Agreement shall be applied provisionally 10 days after receipt of this notification of provisional application by the European Community and after receipt of the notification, either by ratification or by provisional application, by all signatory Central African States.
- 6. Notwithstanding paragraph 4, the EC Party and the signatory Central African States may unilaterally take measures to apply the Agreement, before provisional application, to the extent that this is possible.

Article 99

Duration

- 1. This Agreement is concluded for an unlimited period.
- 2. Either Party, or a signatory Central African State, may give written notice to the other Party of its intention to denounce this Agreement.
- 3. Denunciation shall take effect six months after the other Party has been notified.

Article 100

Territorial application

This Agreement shall apply to the territories in which the Treaty establishing the European Community is applied and under the conditions laid down in that Treaty, and to the territories of the signatory Central African States.

Article 101

Accession of States or of regional organisations in Central Africa

- 1. This Agreement shall be open to accession by any State or regional organisation in Central Africa. A request for accession shall be submitted to the EPA Committee. Any State which submits a request for accession shall attend the meetings of the EPA Committee as an observer.
- 2. The request shall be examined and negotiations begun in order to propose the necessary amendments to this Agreement. The accession protocol shall be submitted to the competent authorities for approval.
- 3. The Parties shall examine the effects of the accession on this Agreement. The EPA Committee may rule on the transitional measures or the necessary amendments.

Article 102

Accession of new Member States to the European Union

- 1. The EPA Committee shall be informed of any application from a third country to join the European Union. During the negotiations between the European Union and the candidate country, the EC Party shall provide the Central Africa Party with any relevant information, and the Central Africa Party shall inform the EC Party of its concerns so that they can be taken fully into account. The Central Africa Party shall be notified of any accession to the European Union (EU).
- 2. Any new Member State of the European Union shall accede to this Agreement as of the date of its accession to the European Union by means of a clause to this effect in the Act of Accession. If the act of accession to the European Union does not provide for such automatic accession of the new EU Member State to this Agreement, the Member State concerned shall accede to this Agreement by depositing an act of accession with the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union, which shall send certified copies to the Central Africa Party.
- 3. The Parties shall review the effects of the accession of new Member States of the European Union on this Agreement. The EPA Committee may rule on any transitional measures or amendments necessary.

Article 103

Outermost regions of the European Community

Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent the EC Party from applying existing measures to improve the structural, social and economic situation of the outermost regions in accordance with Article 299(2) of the Treaty establishing the European Community.

Article 104

Dialogue on financial matters

The Parties and the signatory Central African States agree to promote dialogue and transparency and to share best practice on tax policy and administration.

Article 105

Collaboration in tackling illegal financial activities

The Parties undertake to prevent and tackle fraudulent and corrupt illegal activities, money laundering and the financing of terrorism, and shall take the necessary legislative and administrative measures to comply with international standards, including those set out in the United Nations Convention against Corruption, the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organised Crime and its Protocols, the United Nations Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism and the recommendations of the Financial Action Task Force. The Parties agree to exchange information and to cooperate in these areas.

Article 106

Relationship to other agreements

- 1. With the exception of the Articles on development cooperation provided for in Part III, Title II, of the Cotonou Agreement, in the event of inconsistency between the provisions of this Agreement and the provisions of Part III, Title II, of the Cotonou Agreement, the provisions of this Agreement shall take precedence.
- 2. Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed so as to prevent the adoption by the European Community or by one of the signatory Central African States of any measures, including trade measures, deemed appropriate as provided for under Articles 11b, 96 and 97 of the Cotonou Agreement.
- 3. The Parties agree that nothing in this Agreement requires them to act in a manner inconsistent with their WTO obligations.
- 4. The Parties agree to examine, in 2008, whether the provisions of this Agreement are consistent with the customs unions to which the signatories to this Agreement belong.

Article 107

Authentic texts

This Agreement shall be drawn up in duplicate in the Bulgarian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, English, Estonian, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Italian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Maltese, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovenian, Spanish and Swedish languages, each text being equally authentic.

Article 108

Annexes and Protocol

The Annexes and the Protocol to this Agreement shall form an integral part thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Plenipotentiaries have affixed their signatures below this Agreement.

Съставено съответно в Яунде на петнадесети януари две хиляди и девета година и в Брюксел на двадесет и втори януари две хиляди и девета година.

Hecho en Yaundé el quince de enero de dos mil nueve, y en Bruselas el veintidós de enero de dos mil nueve.

V Yaoundé dne patnáctého ledna dva tisíce devět a v Bruselu dne dvacátého druhého ledna dva tisíce devět.

Udfærdiget henholdsvis i Yaoundé, den femtende januar to tusind og ni, og i Bruxelles, den toogtyvende januar to tusind og ni.

Geschehen zu Jaunde am fünfzehnten Januar zweitausendneun und zu Brüssel am zweitundzwanzigsten Januar zweitausendneun.

Sõlmitud vastavalt viieteistkümnendal jaanuaril kahe tuhande üheksandal aastal Yaoundés ja kahekümne teisel jaanuaril kahe tuhande üheksandal aastal Brüsselis.

Έγινε στο Γιαουντέ στις δεκαπέντε Ιανουαρίου δύο χιλιάδες εννιά και στις Βρυξέλλες στις είκοσι δύο Ιανουαρίου δύο χιλιάδες εννιά.

Done at Yaoundé on the fifteenth day of January, two thousand and nine and at Brussels on the twenty-second day of January, two thousand and nine, respectively.

Fait respectivement à Yaoundé le quinze janvier deux mille neuf et à Bruxelles le vingt-deux janvier deux mille neuf.

Fatto a Yaoundé, il quindici gennaio duemilanove, e a Bruxelles, il ventidue gennaio duemilanove, rispettivamente.

Jaundē, divtūkstoš devītā gada piecpadsmitajā janvārī, un Briselē, divtūkstoš devītā gada divdesmit otrajā janvārī.

Pasirašyta atitinkamai Jaundėje du tūkstančiai devintųjų metų sausio 15 d. ir Briuselyje du tūkstančiai devintųjų metų sausio 22 d.

Kelt Yaoundéban, a kettőezerkilencedik év január havának tizenötödik napján, illetve Brüsszelben, a kettőezerkilencedik év január havának huszonkettedik napján.

Maghmul f'Yaoundé fil-hmistax-il jum ta' Jannar tas-sena elfejn u disgha u fi Brussell fit-tnejn u ghoxrin jum ta' Jannar tas-sena elfejn u disgha, rispettivament.

Gedaan te Yaoundé, vijftien januari tweeduizend negen, respectievelijk te Brussel, tweeëntwintig januari tweeduizend negen.

Sporządzono, odpowiednio, w Jaunde dnia piętnastego stycznia dwa tysiące dziewiątego roku i w Brukseli dnia dwudziestego drugiego stycznia dwa tysiące dziewiątego roku.

Feito em Iaundé, em quinze de Janeiro de dois mil e nove, e em Bruxelas, em vinte e dois de Janeiro de dois mil e nove

Încheiat la Yaoundé în a cincisprezecea zi a lunii ianuarie două mii nouă și, respectiv, la Bruxelles în a douăzeci și doua zi a lunii ianuarie două mii nouă.

V Yaoundé pätnásteho januára dvetisícdeväť a v Bruseli dvadsiateho druhého januára dvetisícdeväť.

V Yaoundeju, petnajstega januarja dva tisoč devet, in v Bruslju, dvaindvajsetega januarja dva tisoč devet.

Tehty Yaoundéssa viidentenätoista päivänä tammikuuta vuonna kaksituhattayhdeksän ja Brysselissä kahdentenakymmenentenätoisena päivänä tammikuuta vuonna kaksituhattayhdeksän.

Utfärdat i Yaoundé den femtonde januari tjugohundranio samt i Bryssel den tjugoandra januari tjugohundranio.

Milue Vicun

Pour la République du Cameroun

За Европейската общност

Por la Comunidad Europea

Za Evropské společenství

For Det Europæiske Fællesskab

Für die Europäische Gemeinschaft

Euroopa Ühenduse nimel

Για την Ευρωπαϊκή Κοινότητα

For the European Community

Pour la Communauté européenne

Per la Comunità europea

Eiropas Kopienas vārdā

Europos bendrijos vardu

az Európai Közösség részéről

Għall-Komunità Ewropea

Voor de Europese Gemeenschap

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Pentru Comunitatea Europeană

Za Európske spoločenstvo

za Evropsko skupnost

Euroopan yhteisön puolesta

På Europeiska gemenskapens vägnar

Voor het Koninkrijk België Pour le Royaume de Belgique Für das Königreich Belgien



Cette signature engage également la Communauté française, la Communauté flamande, la Communauté germanophone, la Région wallonne, la Région flamande et la Région de Bruxelles-Capitale.

Diese Unterschrift bindet zugleich die Deutschsprachige Gemeinschaft, die Flämische Gemeinschaft, die Französische Gemeinschaft, die Wallonische Region, die Flämische Region und die Region Brüssel-Hauptstadt.

За Република България



Za Českou republiku



På Kongeriget Danmarks vegne



Für die Bundesrepublik Deutschland



Eesti Vabariigi nimel



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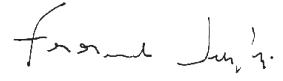
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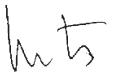
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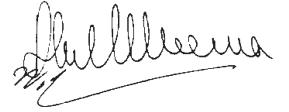


Pour le Grand-Duché de Luxembourg



A Magyar Köztársaság részéről

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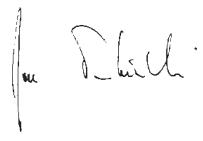
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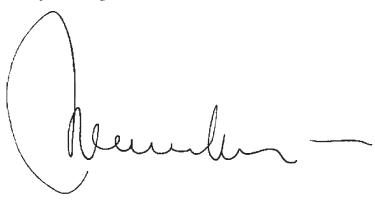
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För Konungariket Sverige

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For the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland