

3. The Parties of this Agreement shall take appropriate measures, including regular reviews by the Joint Committee and arrangements for administrative cooperation, to ensure that the provisions of Article 5 (Prohibition and abolition of customs duties and imports and charges having equivalent effect), Article 7 (Prohibition and abolition of quantitative restrictions on imports or exports and measures having equivalent effect), Article 11 (Internal taxation) and Article 20 (Re-exports and serious shortage) of this Agreement and Protocol A are effectively and harmoniously applied, and to reduce, as far as possible, the formalities imposed on trade, and to achieve mutually satisfactory solutions to any difficulties arising from the operation of those provisions.

Article 5

Prohibition and abolition of customs duties of imports and charges having equivalent effect

1. No new customs duty on imports or charge having equivalent effect shall be introduced in trade between the Parties.
2. Customs duties on imports and charges having equivalent effect shall be abolished upon the date of entry into force of this Agreement.
3. The provisions of this Article shall also apply to customs duties of a fiscal nature. The Parties may replace a customs duty by an internal tax.

Article 6

Prohibition and abolition of customs duties on exports and charges having equivalent effect

1. No new customs duty on exports and charges having equivalent effect shall be introduced in trade between Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.
2. Customs duties on exports and charges having equivalent effect shall be abolished upon the entry into force of this Agreement except as provided for in Annex 1.

Article 7

Prohibition and abolition of quantitative restrictions on imports or exports and measures having equivalent effect

1. No new quantitative restriction on imports or exports and measures having equivalent effect shall be introduced in trade between Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.
2. Quantitative restrictions on imports or exports and measures having equivalent effect shall be abolished on trade upon the date on entry into force of this Agreement except as provided for in Annex 2.

Article 8