

medium enterprises to encourage them to expand, upgrade, and deepen their linkages within the region;

DESIRING to formally implement a regional self-certification scheme;

RECOGNISING the need to amend Article 38 of the ATIGA to provide the legal basis for the regional self-certification scheme;

NOTING that Article 94(1) of the ATIGA provides for any amendments to the provisions of the Agreement to be mutually agreed upon in writing by the Member States,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1
Amendment to Article 38 (Certificate of Origin)

Article 38 of the ATIGA shall be substituted with the following:

“Article 38
Proof of Origin

A claim that a good shall be accepted as eligible for preferential tariff treatment shall be supported by a Proof of Origin in accordance with the Operational Certification Procedures as set out in Annex 8.”

Article 2
Final Provisions

1. This Protocol shall form an integral part of the ATIGA.
2. This Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day after the date on which all Member States have notified the

