Nothing in the present agreement prevents the Sides from establishing relations, without violating objectives and terms of the agreement, with countries that are not participants of the present agreement as well as with their associations and international organizations.

### Article 16

Disputes between the Sides, concerning interpretation or application of the agreement's provisions, will be settled through negotiations.

Sides will strive for avoiding conflicts in reciprocal trade.

# Article 17

In order to implement objectives of the present agreement and to elaborate recommendations for improvement of trade and economic cooperation between two countries, Sides agreed to establish the joint Georgian-Armenian Commission.

#### Article 18

The Republic of Armenia may establish its trade representation in the Republic of Georgia, and the Republic of Georgia may establish its trade representation in the Republic of Armenia. The legal status, functions and location of such trade representations will be coordinated by the Sides in addition.

# Article 19

Any State may accede to the present agreement in terms that will be agreed between the Sides and the States striving for accession.

# Article 20

Amendments and annexes may be entered into the present agreement according to the mutual consent of the Sides.

### Article 21

The present agreement comes into effect from the date of exchanging notifications on implementation of intergovernmental procedures that are necessary for the agreement's coming into force, and will be in force within twelve months from the date of sending the written notification on the agreement's termination by one of the Sides.

Provisions of the present agreement will be applied, after its termination, to contracts between corporations and organizations of both countries that were concluded but not fulfilled during the operating period of the agreement.

DONE on 14 August 1995 in Stepanavan, in two originals, each in Armenian, Georgian and Russian languages. All texts are equally authentic.

Text in Russian language is used during interpretation of the provisions of the present agreement.