

Article 34
Joint Committee on Rules of Origin

For the purposes of effective implementation of this Chapter, a Joint Committee on Rules of Origin (hereinafter referred to in this Article as "the Committee") shall be established. The functions of the Committee shall be:

- (a) to consult regularly to ensure the effective implementation of the provisions in this Chapter;
- (b) to discuss necessary amendments of the provisions of this Chapter, including Annex II A, taking into account developments in production processes or other matters (including the recommended amendments to the Harmonized System);
- (c) to submit the recommendation on the amendments to the Supervisory Committee; and
- (d) to discuss any issues concerning rules of origin.

CHAPTER 4
CUSTOMS PROCEDURES

Article 35
Scope of Chapter 4

This Chapter shall apply to customs procedures required for the clearance of goods traded between the Parties.

Article 36
Customs Clearance

For prompt customs clearance of goods traded between the Parties, each Party shall:

- (a) make use of information and communications technology;
- (b) simplify its customs procedures; and
- (c) make its customs procedures conform, as far as possible, to relevant international standards and recommended practices such as those made under the auspices of the Customs Co-operation Council.

Article 37
Temporary Admission and Goods in Transit

1. Each Party shall continue to facilitate the procedures for the temporary admission of goods traded between the Parties in accordance with the Customs Convention on the A.T.A. Carnet for the Temporary Admission of Goods (hereinafter referred to in this Article as "the A.T.A. Convention").

2. Each Party shall continue to facilitate customs clearance of goods in transit from or to the territory of the other Party.

3. The Parties shall endeavour to promote, through seminars and courses, the use of A.T.A. carnets pursuant to the A.T.A. Convention for the temporary admission of goods and the facilitation of customs clearance of goods in transit in non-Parties.

4. For the purposes of this Article, the term "temporary admission" means customs procedures under which certain goods may be brought into a customs territory conditionally, relieved totally or partially from the payment of customs duties. Such goods shall be imported for a specific purpose, and shall be intended for re-exportation within a specified period and without having undergone any change except normal depreciation due to the use made of them.

Article 38
Exchange of Information under Chapter 4

The Parties shall exchange information as provided for in the Implementing Agreement with respect to the implementation of this Chapter. Article 3 shall not apply to such exchange of information.

Article 39
Joint Committee on Customs Procedures

1. For the purposes of effective implementation of this Chapter, a Joint Committee on Customs Procedures (hereinafter referred to in this Article as "the Committee") shall be established. The functions of the Committee shall be:

- (a) reviewing and discussing the implementation and operation of this Chapter; and

- (b) identifying and recommending to the Supervisory Committee areas to be improved for facilitating trade between the Parties.
2. The composition of the Committee shall be specified in the Implementing Agreement.

CHAPTER 5 PAPERLESS TRADING

Article 40 Co-operation on Paperless Trading between the Parties

The Parties, recognising that trading using electronic filing and transfer of trade-related information and electronic versions of documents such as bills of lading, invoices, letters of credit and insurance certificates, as an alternative to paper-based methods (hereinafter referred to in this Chapter as "paperless trading"), will significantly enhance the efficiency of trade through reduction of cost and time, shall co-operate with a view to realising and promoting paperless trading between them.

Article 41 Exchange of Views and Information

The Parties shall exchange views and information on realising, promoting and developments in paperless trading.

Article 42 Co-operation on Paperless Trading between Private Entities

The Parties shall encourage co-operation between their relevant private entities engaging in activities related to paperless trading. Such co-operation may include the setting up and operation by such private entities of facilities (hereinafter referred to in this Chapter as "the Facilities") to provide efficient and secured flow of electronic trade-related information and electronic versions of relevant documents between enterprises of the Parties.