

When carrying out measures of tariff and non-tariff regulation of bilateral economic relations, for exchanging statistical information and carrying out customs procedures, the Contracting Parties have agreed to apply a single nine-digit Goods Nomenclature of Foreign Economic Activity based on the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System and the Combined Tariff Statistical Nomenclature of the European Economic Community. The Contracting Parties shall, for their own needs, if necessary, carry out the development of a Goods Nomenclature beyond nine digits.

The introduction of a standard copy of the Goods Nomenclature shall be carried out on a mutually coordinated basis through the available representative offices in relevant international organizations.

Article 10

The Contracting Parties have agreed that the observance of the principle of transit freedom shall be the most important condition for achieving the objectives of this Agreement and shall be an essential element of the process of their attachment to the system of international division of labour and cooperation.

In this connection, each Contracting Party shall provide a free transit, via its territory, of goods originating in the customs territory of the other Contracting Party and/or third countries and intended for the customs territory of the other Contracting Party or any third country. Each Party shall provide exporters, importers or carriers with means and services available and necessary for ensuring transit of a means and service on terms and conditions not worse than those on which the same means and services are provided to their exporters, importers or carriers or to exporters, importers or carriers of any third State.

The Contracting Parties have agreed that transit tariffs by any kind of transport including tariffs on loading and unloading works shall be economically based.

Article 11

This Agreement shall not prevent either of the Contracting Parties from the right to take measures generally accepted in the international practice, which are considered by the Party necessary for protecting its vital interests or which are undoubtedly necessary for the implementation of the international agreements to which it is a signatory or intends to become a signatory, if these measures concern:

- information affecting interests of the national defence;
- trade in weapons, ammunition and military equipment;
- investigations or production connected with needs of defence;
- deliveries of materials and equipment used in nuclear industry;
- defence of public moral and public order;
- protection of industrial or intellectual property;
- gold, silver or precious metals and stones;
- health protection of people, animals and plants.

Article 12