

PROTOCOL
TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF RUSSIAN FEDERATION
AND THE GOVERNMENT OF TURKMENISTAN ON FREE TRADE
OF NOVEMBER 11, 1992

(Moscow, January 19, 1993)

Authorized representatives of the Russian Federation and Turkmenistan, have concluded this Protocol on the following:

Article 1

Exceptions stipulated in Article 1 of the Free Trade Agreement between the Government of the Russian Federation and the Government of Turkmenistan of November 11, 1992 shall apply on the following:

1. Goods within the purview of the Russian legislation on export tariffs as well as the legislation on licensing and quotas on exports of goods (works, services), effective at the moment of customs declaration of goods, during its export from the Russian Federation to Turkmenistan (at the date of signing the present Protocol list of goods is in effect, established by the Government of the Russian Federation Regulation No.461 of June 30, 1992; list of goods subject to quotas and licensing is established by the Government of the Russian Federation Regulation No.854 of November 6, 1992).

2. Goods within the purview of Turkmen legislation on tax for export of goods (works, services) and on licensing of export and import of goods (works, services), effective at the moment of customs declaration of goods, during its export from Turkmenistan to the Russian Federation (Regulation of the President of Turkmenistan No.1092 of December 31, 1992, and No.1122 of January 7, 1993).

The Parties shall promptly notify each other of all the amendments in the above stated exceptions.

The Contracting Parties have agreed not to charge export duties from the goods specified in lists to the Agreement between the Government of the Russian Federation and the Government of Turkmenistan on trade-economic cooperation in 1993 as of November 11, 1992 (Appendix 1 and 2 to this Agreement) within the limits, specified in these lists, during its effective period.

Additional mutual exemptions of goods from export duties will be formulated in separate Protocols.

Article 2

1. In respect of goods, subject to exemptions from free-trade regime in accordance with the Article 1 of this Protocol, Parties shall grant each other the most favoured nation regime with regard to:

- customs duties, taxes and charges payable upon export, including methods of levying such duties, taxes and charges;
- provisions relating to customs clearance of transit, transportation, storage, reloading and other similar services;
- payment methods and payment transfers;
- issuance of export licenses;
- rules, regarding selling, purchasing, transporting, distributing and using goods on domestic market.

2. Provisions of paragraph 1 of this Article shall not apply to:

- advantages, offered by any of Contracting Parties to third countries with the aim of creating a customs union or free trade area, or as a result of establishing such a union or area;
- advantages, granted to developing countries, in accordance with the laws of Contracting Parties;
- advantages, provided to neighboring countries in order to facilitate cross-border trade;
- advantages, provided by Contracting Parties to each other in accordance with special agreements.

Article 3

1. This Protocol is an integral part of the Agreement between the Government of the Russian Federation and the Government of Turkmenistan on Free Trade as of November 11, 1992, and becomes effective simultaneously with the above stated Agreement.

2. This Protocol shall be valid until the signature of a new Protocol in accordance with Article 1 of the Agreement between the Government of the Russian Federation and the Government of Turkmenistan on free trade as of November 11, 1992.

Done in the City of Moscow on January 19, 1993 in two originals, each in Russian and Turkmen, both texts being equally authentic.

(Signatures)
