Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent Contracting Parties from establishing relationships, which do not contradict goals and terms of this Agreement, with third countries, as well as with its associations and international organizations.

## Article 14

Disputes between Contracting Parties on the interpretation or application of provisions of this Agreement will be settled by means of negotiations.

# Article 15

Contracting Parties have agreed that the Russian Federation shall establish its trade representation in the Republic of Uzbekistan, and the Republic of Uzbekistan shall establish its trade representation in the Russian Federation. The legal status of trade representations, its functions, residence and organizational procedures shall be agreed additionally.

## Article 16

Any state may accede to this Agreement on terms, which will be agreed between the acceding state and Contracting Parties.

## Article 17

An integral part of this Agreement shall be a Protocol on exceptions to free trade regime, which Contracting Parties shall sign in by the end of 1992.

## Article 18

This Agreement shall become effective upon exchange of notices of completion by Contracting Parties of intra-state procedures necessary for its entry into force and will remain in force upon the expiry of twelve months from the date, when one of Contracting Parties notifies the other Contracting Party in writing of its desire to terminate its action.

Done in the City of Moscow, on November 13, 1992 in two originals, each in Russian and Uzbek, both texts are being equally authentic.

(Signatures)