CHAPTER 18: FINAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 18.1

Headings

The headings of the Chapters and Articles of this Agreement are inserted for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the interpretation of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 18.2

Annexes and Footnotes

The Annexes and Footnotes to this Agreement shall form an integral part of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 18.3

Amendments

This Agreement may be amended by agreement in writing by the Parties, and such amendments shall enter into force on such date or dates as may be agreed between them.

ARTICLE 18.4

Application

Each Party is fully responsible for the observance of all provisions in this Agreement and shall take such reasonable measures as may be available to it to ensure their observance by regional and local governments and authorities.

ARTICLE 18.5

Association with the Agreement

This Agreement is open to accession or association, on terms to be agreed between the Parties, by any member of the WTO, or by any other State or separate customs territory.

ARTICLE 18.6

Consultations on Inconsistencies with other Agreements

If either Party considers there is any inconsistency between this Agreement and any other Agreement to which both Parties are parties, the Parties shall consult each other with a view to finding a mutually satisfactory solution.

ARTICLE 18.7

Preferences under other Agreements

Except for Articles 9.8 (2) and 15.5, nothing in this Agreement shall be regarded as obliging a Party to extend to the other Party the benefit of any treatment, preference or privilege arising from any existing or any future customs union, free trade area, free trade arrangement, common market, monetary union or similar international agreement or other similar forms of bilateral or regional cooperation to which either of the Parties is or may become party; or as preventing the adoption of an agreement designed to lead to the formation or extension of such a union, area or arrangement or market.¹⁰

ARTICLE 18.8

Termination of 1981 Trade Agreement

The Trade Agreement Between the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand and the Government of New Zealand, done at Wellington on 10 February 1981, shall terminate on the day of entry into force of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 18.9

Financial Provisions

Any cooperative activities envisaged or undertaken under this Agreement shall be subject to the availability of resources and to the laws, regulations and policies of the Parties. Costs of cooperative activities shall be borne in such manner as may be mutually determined from time to time between the Parties.

¹⁰ Nothing in this Article shall prejudice any future negotiations between the Parties on Trade in Services or the Review of Commitments in Chapter 2 or Chapter 9 of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 18.10

Entry into Force, Duration and Termination

1. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of the latter notification by either Party to the other Party that it has completed its internal procedures for entry into force of this Agreement.

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