

free trade and/or cross-border trade in accordance with the WTO rules and, in particular, of Article XXIV of GATT 1994.

2. Provisions of this Treaty shall be applied in relations among the participants of the Customs Union and the Common Economic Space so far as they are not contrary to:

International agreements concluded by them within the framework of the Customs Union and the Common Economic Space, as well as, decisions, adopted on their basis by the bodies of the Customs Union;

bilateral treaties concluded among the members of the Customs Union and the Common Economic Space.

3. Participation of the Parties in the international treaties mentioned in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article, shall not restrict their rights and shall not release from the obligations under this Treaty before the other Parties, which are not participants of such treaties (Annex 6).

4. In case if participation of one of the Parties in an agreement, stipulated by paragraph 1 of this Article, exercises considerable negative impact on mutual trade of the participants of this Treaty, by the request of any interested Party, the Parties shall conduct consultations in order to elaborate and implement measures aimed at restoring mutual trade.

Article 19

Disputable Issues

1. Parties shall take all necessary measures to fulfill their obligations under this Treaty.

2. If one of the Parties considers that the other Party does not fulfill its obligations under this Treaty and such nonfulfillment of obligations damages or threatens to damage economic interests of the former Party, then both Parties shall conduct consultations for the purpose of reaching a mutually acceptable elimination of existing differences.

If no agreement has been reached, then a dispute may, at the choice of the former Party, be submitted for consideration of the CIS Economic Court if both Parties are members to the Agreement on the Status of the Economic Court of the Commonwealth of Independent States of July 6, 1992, or to the commission of experts in accordance with the dispute settlement procedure stipulated by Annex 4 to this Treaty, which is its integral part.

3. Disputes on issues which are in this Treaty to be settled by referring to the provisions of the WTO agreements, shall be resolved among the Parties which are WTO members in the procedure stipulated by the relevant WTO agreements. The provisions of this paragraph shall not impede the Parties which are WTO members to settle disputes in accordance with paragraph 2 of this Article.

Article 20

Amendments and Supplements

By mutual consent of the Parties, amendments and supplements may be introduced into this Treaty, which shall be its integral part and which shall be formalised by relevant protocols.

Protocols shall enter into force in accordance with the procedure stipulated for entry into force of this Treaty, except for the protocols stipulated in paragraph 15 of Article 2 of this Treaty.

Article 21

Reservations

Reservations to this Treaty shall not be permitted.

Article 22

Entry into Force

1. This Treaty shall enter into force upon the expiry of 30 days from the date of receipt by the depositary of a third notification on the fulfillment by its signatory Parties of the internal procedures necessary for its entry into force.

2. With regard to other Parties that fulfill intrastate procedures later, this Treaty shall enter into force upon the expiry of 30 days from the date of receipt of relevant documents by the depositary.

Article 23

Correlation with Other International Obligations

1. In relations among the Parties, for which this Treaty has entered into force, its provisions shall be applied while international treaties, specified in the list (Annex 5 to this Treaty which is its integral part), shall become ineffective.

2. The Parties have agreed that from the date of entry into force of this Treaty, they will take measures for terminating bilateral international treaties existing between them in the manner and within the terms stipulated by such treaties, unless the Parties have not agreed otherwise.

Article 24

Accession

This Treaty, after its entry into force, shall be open for accession of any state by submitting the accession document to the depositary.

For the CIS member state, this Treaty shall enter into force upon the expiry of 30 days from the date of receipt of the accession document by the depositary.

For a state, which is not a CIS member, this Treaty shall enter into force upon the expiry of 30 days from the date of receipt by the depositary of the accession document as well as terms, agreed by the Parties, for accession to this Treaty.

Article 25

Validity, Termination, Withdrawal

1. This Treaty is concluded for an indefinite period.

Each of the Parties may withdraw from this Treaty by sending to the depositary a written notification about such intention not later than twelve months before the withdrawal and having settled the financial and other obligations which have arisen during the effect of this Treaty.

2. For the purposes of resolving the possible disputes and claims, including those of material character, the provisions of this Treaty shall continue being effective with respect to a Party which has terminated its participation up to the complete settlement of all the obligations.

Done in the city of St. Petersburg on October 18, 2011 in one original copy in Russian. The original copy is deposited at the Executive Committee of the Commonwealth of Independent States, which shall send its certified copy to each signatory state to this Treaty.

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