

Article 11

Concessions And Agricultural Policies

1. Without prejudice to the concessions granted under Article 9, the provisions of this Chapter shall not restrict in any way the pursuance of the respective agricultural policies of the Parties or application of any measures under such policies, including the implementation of the provisions of the Agreement on Agriculture negotiated under the auspices of the GATT 1994 and the Agreement establishing WTO.
2. The Parties shall notify to the Joint Committee changes in their respective agricultural policies pursued or measures applied which may affect the conditions of agricultural trade among them as provided for in this Agreement. On the request of a Party prompt consultations within the Joint Committee shall be held to examine the situation.

Article 12

Specific Safeguards

Without prejudice to the other provisions of this Agreement and, in particular Article 22, and given the particular sensitivity of the agricultural products as referred to in Article 9, if imports of products originating in a Party, which are subject to concessions granted under this Agreement, cause serious disturbances to the markets of the other Party, the Party concerned may take appropriate measures under the conditions and in accordance with the procedures laid down in Article 22 of this Agreement.

Article 13

Sanitary And Phytosanitary Measures

1. The Parties shall not apply their regulations in veterinary, plant health and public health matters in an arbitrary, unjustifiable and discriminatory way and shall not introduce any new measures that have effect of unduly obstructing trade.
2. The parties shall apply their sanitary and phytosanitary measures in accordance with the provisions of the GATT 1994 and the other relevant WTO Agreements.

CHAPTER III: RIGHT OF ESTABLISHMENT AND SUPPLY OF SERVICES

Article 14

1. The Parties recognise the growing importance of certain areas, such as services and investments. In their efforts to gradually develop and broaden their cooperation, in particular in the context of Euro-Mediterranean integration, they will cooperate with the aim of further promoting investments and achieving a gradual liberalisation and mutual opening of markets for trade in services, taking into account relevant provisions of the General Agreement on Trade and Services (GATS).
2. The Parties shall review developments in the services sectors with a view to considering liberalisation measures between themselves.
3. The Parties shall discuss this cooperation in the Joint Committee with the aim of developing and deepening their relations under this Agreement.

4. The Parties shall seek to widen the scope of the Agreement to cover the right of establishment of firms of one Party in the territory of the other Party.

CHAPTER IV: COMMON PROVISIONS

Article 15

Internal Taxation

1. The Parties to this Agreement shall refrain from any measure or practice of an internal fiscal nature establishing, whether directly or indirectly, discrimination between the products of one Party and like products originating in the other Party.
2. Products exported to one of the Parties may not benefit from repayment of internal taxes in excess of the amount of direct or indirect taxes imposed on them.

Article 16

Trade Relations Governed By Other Agreements

1. This Agreement shall not prevent the maintenance or establishment of customs unions, free trade areas or arrangements for frontier trade to the extent that these do not negatively affect the trade regime and in particular the provisions concerning rules of origin provided for by this Agreement.
2. Exchange of information between the Parties shall take place, on request, within the Joint Committee concerning agreements establishing such customs unions or free trade areas.

Article 17

Transitional Adjustment Measures

1. Transitional adjustment measures of limited duration which derogate from the provisions of Article 4 may be taken by the Parties in the form of increased customs duties.
2. These measures may only concern infant industries, or certain industries undergoing restructuring or facing serious difficulties, particularly where these difficulties produce important social problems.
3. Customs duties on imports applicable in the Parties to products originating in each Party introduced by these measures may not exceed 25% *ad valorem* and shall maintain an element of preference for products originating in each Party. The total value of imports of the products which are subject to these measures may not exceed 15% of total imports of industrial products from the other Party as defined in Article 3, during the last year for which statistics are available.
4. These measures shall be applied for a period not exceeding five years unless a longer duration is authorised by the Joint Committee. They shall cease to apply at the latest 3 years after the expiry of the transitional period.
5. No such measures can be introduced in respect of a product if more than three years have elapsed since the elimination of all duties and quantitative restrictions or charges or measures having an equivalent effect concerning that product.