

Article 2

The Parties shall not:

- directly or indirectly impose on the other Party's commodities, which come within the purview of the present Agreement, domestic taxes or charges that exceed corresponding taxes or charges imposed on similar commodities of domestic manufacture or commodities originating from third countries;
- introduce relative to imports and exports, which come within the purview of the present Agreement, any special restrictions or requirements which under a similar situation are not applied to similar commodities of domestic manufacture or commodities originating from third countries;
- apply to the warehousing, reloading, storage, movement of commodities originating from the territory of another state, as well as payments and remittance of payments other rules than those that are applied in similar cases to its own commodities or commodities originating from third countries.

Article 3

The Parties shall in mutual trade refrain from applying measures that restrict the export and/or import of commodities within the framework of the present Agreement. The Parties may institute measures restricting the export and/or import of commodities under unilateral procedures, but only for a strictly defined time. These measures may be introduced as quantitative restrictions on exports and/or imports or as special customs duty, antidumping and compensating customs duties. The referred to measures must be of an exclusive nature and be applied only in the following cases:

- acute shortage of commodities on the domestic market (before the stabilization of the situation on the market);
- acute balance of payments deficit (before the stabilization of the balance of payments);
- import of commodities into the territory of one of the Parties in such increasing quantities or on such terms that cause or threaten to cause damage to domestic producers of similar or directly competitive commodities;
- in order to take measures provided for in Article 5 of the present Agreement.

The Party that applies quantitative restrictions under the present Article shall be bound, in compliance with the request of the other Party, to provide in the shortest possible time the necessary information about the reasons, forms and time for introducing the above-mentioned restrictions. When selecting the measures in compliance with this Article, the Parties shall give priority to those of them that produce the least negative impact on the achievement of the purposes of the present Agreement.

(Article 3 in the wording
of the Protocol of October 18, 2005)

Article 4

All settlements and payments in trade and economic cooperation between the business entities of the states Parties shall be made on the basis of corresponding interbank agreements.

Article 5