

ARTICLE 9

Subsequent negotiations

1. The Parties shall commence negotiations for an ambitious, modern and comprehensive free trade agreement between the United Kingdom and Mexico at the earliest possible opportunity and within one year of the date of entry into force of this Agreement.
2. Each Party shall give positive consideration to any proposal by the other Party regarding a topic to be included in the scope of the negotiations referred to in paragraph 1.
3. The Parties shall strive to conclude the negotiations referred to in paragraph 1 within three years of the date of entry into force of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 10

Integral parts of this Agreement

The annex and footnote to this instrument are integral to this Agreement.

ARTICLE 11

Amendments

1. The Parties may agree, in writing, to amend this Agreement. An amendment shall enter into force after the Parties exchange written notifications certifying that they have completed their respective legal requirements and procedures.
2. Paragraph 1 is without prejudice to the functions of the Joint Council established under Article 45 of the Incorporated Agreement.

ARTICLE 12

Entry into force and provisional application

1. Articles 59 and 60 of the EU-Mexico EPPCCA shall not be incorporated into this Agreement.
2. Each Party shall notify the other Party in writing, through diplomatic channels, of the completion of its domestic procedures required for the entry into force of this Agreement.
3. This Agreement shall enter into force on the later of:

- (a) the date of receipt of the later of the Parties' notifications that they have completed their domestic procedures; or
 - (b) the date on which the EU-Mexico EPPCCA ceases to apply to the UK.
- 4. Notwithstanding paragraph 3 and pending its entry into force, the Parties may apply this Agreement provisionally, in accordance with their respective internal procedures, as applicable.
- 5. The provisional application shall begin on the later of:
 - (a) the date on which both:
 - i. the UK has notified Mexico of the completion of its internal procedures for such purpose; and
 - ii. Mexico has notified the UK of the completion of its internal procedures; or
 - (b) the date on which the EU-Mexico EPPCCA ceases to apply to the UK.
- 6. If this Agreement is provisionally applied in accordance with paragraph 5, the Parties shall understand the term "entry into force of this Agreement" as meaning the date of provisional application.

In witness whereof the undersigned, duly authorised thereto by their respective Governments, have signed this Agreement.

Done in Duplicate at Mexico City this fifteenth day of December 2020 in the English and Spanish languages, both texts being equally authoritative.

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