

CHAPTER 18

FINAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 18.1

Annexes, Footnotes and Side Letters

The Annexes, footnotes, and Side Letters wherever so explicitly provided therein, shall constitute an integral part of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 18.2

Amendments

1. Either Party may submit proposals for amendments to this Agreement to the Joint Committee for its consideration. After the Joint Committee's recommendation, the Parties shall submit such amendment to this Agreement to the Parties for approval and completion of each Party's internal legal procedures.
2. Where an amendment has been ratified, accepted or approved by a Party, it shall notify the other Party of such approval, in writing, through diplomatic channels.
3. Amendments to this Agreement shall enter into force in the same manner as provided for in Article 18.5 (Entry into Force).

ARTICLE 18.3

Accession

Any country, group of countries or customs territory (hereinafter referred to as "acceding Party") may accede to this Agreement, subject to such terms and conditions as may be agreed between the acceding Party and the Parties to this Agreement, and following approval in accordance with the applicable internal legal procedures of the acceding Party and the Parties to this Agreement. Such accession shall be effective sixty (60) days from the date of deposit of the instrument of accession with the Joint Committee.

ARTICLE 18.4

Duration and Termination

1. This Agreement shall be valid for an indefinite period.
2. Either Party may terminate this Agreement by a written notification to the other Party, and the termination shall take effect six (6) months after the date of such notification.

ARTICLE 18.5

Entry into Force

1. The Parties shall ratify this Agreement in accordance with their internal legal procedures.
2. When a Party has ratified this Agreement in accordance with its internal legal procedures, that Party shall notify the other Party of such ratification, approval or acceptance in writing, through diplomatic channels, within a period of sixty (60) days.
3. Unless the Parties agree otherwise, where both Parties have notified each other of such ratification, approval or acceptance, this Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the second month following the date of receipt of the last written notification.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorised by their respective Governments, have signed this Agreement.

DONE in two originals at New Delhi on this 18th day of February, 2022.

***For the Government of the
Republic of India***

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***For the Government of the
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