

Chapter Two

National Treatment and Market Access for Goods

Article 2.1: Scope and Coverage

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, this Chapter applies to trade in goods of a Party.

Section A: National Treatment

Article 2.2: National Treatment

1. Each Party shall accord national treatment to the goods of another Party in accordance with Article III of the GATT 1994, including its interpretive notes, and to this end Article III of the GATT 1994 and its interpretive notes are incorporated into and made part of this Agreement, *mutatis mutandis*.
2. The treatment to be accorded by a Party under paragraph 1 means, with respect to a regional level of government, treatment no less favorable than the most favorable treatment that regional level of government accords to any like, directly competitive, or substitutable goods, as the case may be, of the Party of which it forms a part.
3. Paragraphs 1 and 2 shall not apply to the measures set out in Annex 2.2.

Section B: Tariff Elimination

Article 2.3: Tariff Elimination

1. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, no Party may increase any existing customs duty, or adopt any new customs duty, on an originating good.
2. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, each Party shall progressively eliminate its customs duties on originating goods, in accordance with its Schedule to Annex 2.3.
3. For greater certainty, paragraph 2 shall not prevent Colombia from granting identical or more favorable tariff treatment to a good as provided for under the legal instruments of the Andean integration, provided that the goods meet the rules of origin under those instruments.
4. On the request of any Party, the requesting Party and one or more other Parties shall consult to consider accelerating the elimination of customs duties set out in their Schedules to Annex 2.3. The consulting Parties shall notify the other Parties of the goods that will be subject

to the consultations, and shall afford the other Parties an opportunity to participate in the consultations. Notwithstanding Article 20.1.3(b) (Free Trade Commission), an agreement between two or more Parties to accelerate the elimination of a customs duty on a good shall supercede any duty rate or staging category determined pursuant to their Schedules to Annex 2.3 for that good when approved by each involved Party in accordance with its applicable legal procedures. Within 30 days after two or more Parties conclude an agreement under this paragraph, they shall notify the other Parties of the terms of the agreement.

5. For greater certainty, a Party may:
 - (a) raise a customs duty to the level established in its Schedule to Annex 2.3 following a unilateral reduction; or
 - (b) maintain or increase a customs duty as authorized by the Dispute Settlement Body of the WTO.

Section C: Special Regimes

Article 2.4: Waiver of Customs Duties

1. No Party may adopt any new waiver of customs duties, or expand with respect to existing recipients or extend to any new recipient the application of an existing waiver of customs duties, where the waiver is conditioned, explicitly or implicitly, on the fulfillment of a performance requirement.
2. No Party may, explicitly or implicitly, condition on the fulfillment of a performance requirement the continuation of any existing waiver of customs duties.

Article 2.5: Temporary Admission of Goods

1. Each Party shall grant duty-free temporary admission for the following goods, regardless of their origin:
 - (a) professional equipment, including equipment for the press or television, software, and broadcasting and cinematographic equipment, necessary for carrying out the business activity, trade, or profession of a person who qualifies for temporary entry pursuant to the laws of the importing Party;
 - (b) goods intended for display or demonstration;
 - (c) commercial samples and advertising films and recordings; and
 - (d) goods admitted for sports purposes.

2. Each Party shall, at the request of the person concerned and for reasons its customs authority considers valid, extend the time limit for temporary admission beyond the period initially fixed.
3. No Party may condition the duty-free temporary admission of a good referred to in paragraph 1, other than to require that the good:
 - (a) be used solely by or under the personal supervision of a national or resident of another Party in the exercise of the business activity, trade, profession, or sport of that person;
 - (b) not be sold or leased while in its territory;
 - (c) be accompanied by a security in an amount no greater than the charges that would otherwise be owed on entry or final importation, releasable on exportation of the good;
 - (d) be capable of identification when exported;
 - (e) be exported on the departure of the person referenced in subparagraph (a), or within such other period related to the purpose of the temporary admission as the Party may establish, or within one year, unless extended;
 - (f) be admitted in no greater quantity than is reasonable for its intended use; and
 - (g) be otherwise admissible into the Party's territory under its law.
4. If any condition that a Party imposes under paragraph 3 has not been fulfilled, the Party may apply the customs duty and any other charge that would normally be owed on the good plus any other charges or penalties provided for under its law.
5. Each Party shall adopt and maintain procedures providing for the expeditious release of goods admitted under this Article. To the extent possible, such procedures shall provide that when such a good accompanies a national or resident of the other Party who is seeking temporary entry, the good shall be released simultaneously with the entry of that national or resident.
6. Each Party shall permit a good temporarily admitted under this Article to be exported through a customs port other than that through which it was admitted.
7. Each Party shall provide that the importer or other person responsible for a good admitted under this Article shall not be liable for failure to export the good on presentation of satisfactory proof to the importing Party that the good has been destroyed within the original period fixed for temporary admission or any lawful extension.

8. Subject to Chapters Ten (Investment) and Eleven (Cross-Border Trade in Services):
- (a) each Party shall allow a vehicle or container used in international traffic that enters its territory from the territory of another Party to exit its territory on any route that is reasonably related to the economic and prompt departure of such vehicle or container;
 - (b) no Party may require any security or impose any penalty or charge solely by reason of any difference between the port of entry and the port of departure of a vehicle or container;
 - (c) no Party may condition the release of any obligation, including any security, that it imposes in respect of the entry of a vehicle or container into its territory on its exit through any particular port of departure; and
 - (d) no Party may require that the vehicle or carrier bringing a container from the territory of another Party into its territory be the same vehicle or carrier that takes the container to the territory of another Party.
9. For purposes of paragraph 8, **vehicle** means a truck, a truck tractor, a tractor, a trailer unit or trailer, a locomotive, or a railway car or other railroad equipment.

Article 2.6: Goods Re-entered After Repair or Alteration

1. No Party may apply a customs duty to a good, regardless of its origin, that re-enters its territory after that good has been temporarily exported from its territory to the territory of another Party for repair or alteration, regardless of whether such repair or alteration could be performed in the territory of the Party from which the good was exported for repair or alteration.
2. No Party may apply a customs duty to a good, regardless of its origin, admitted temporarily from the territory of another Party for repair or alteration.
3. For purposes of this Article, **repair or alteration** does not include an operation or process that:
- (a) destroys a good's essential characteristics or creates a new or commercially different good; or
 - (b) transforms an unfinished good into a finished good.

Article 2.7: Duty-Free Entry of Commercial Samples of Negligible Value and Printed Advertising Materials

Each Party shall grant duty-free entry to commercial samples of negligible value, and to printed advertising materials, imported from the territory of another Party, regardless of their origin, but may require that:

- (a) such samples be imported solely for the solicitation of orders for goods, or services provided from the territory, of another Party or a non-Party; or
- (b) such advertising materials be imported in packets that each contain no more than one copy of each such material and that neither such materials nor packets form part of a larger consignment.

Section D: Non-Tariff Measures

Article 2.8: Import and Export Restrictions

1. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, no Party may adopt or maintain any prohibition or restriction on the importation of any good of another Party or on the exportation or sale for export of any good destined for the territory of another Party, except in accordance with Article XI of the GATT 1994 and its interpretative notes, and to this end Article XI of the GATT 1994 and its interpretive notes are incorporated into and made a part of this Agreement, *mutatis mutandis*.¹

2. The Parties understand that the GATT 1994 rights and obligations incorporated by paragraph 1 prohibit, in any circumstances in which any other form of restriction is prohibited, a Party from adopting or maintaining:

- (a) export and import price requirements, except as permitted in enforcement of countervailing and antidumping duty orders and undertakings;
- (b) import licensing conditioned on the fulfillment of a performance requirement, except as provided in a Party's Schedule to Annex 2.3; or
- (c) voluntary export restraints inconsistent with Article VI of the GATT 1994, as implemented under Article 18 of the SCM Agreement and Article 8.1 of the AD Agreement.

3. Paragraphs 1 and 2 shall not apply to the measures set out in Annex 2.2.

¹ For greater certainty, this paragraph applies, *inter alia*, to prohibitions or restrictions on the importation of remanufactured goods.

4. In the event that a Party adopts or maintains a prohibition or restriction on the importation from or exportation to a non-Party of a good, no provision of this Agreement shall be construed to prevent the Party from:

- (a) limiting or prohibiting the importation from the territory of another Party of such good of that non-Party; or
- (b) requiring as a condition of export of such good of the Party to the territory of another Party, that the good not be re-exported to the non-Party, directly or indirectly, without being consumed in the territory of the other Party.

5. In the event that a Party adopts or maintains a prohibition or restriction on the importation of a good from a non-Party, the Parties, on the request of any Party, shall consult with a view to avoiding undue interference with or distortion of pricing, marketing, or distribution arrangements in another Party.

6. No Party may, as a condition for engaging in importation or for the import of a good, require a person of another Party to establish or maintain a contractual or other relationship with a distributor in its territory.

7. Nothing in paragraph 6 prevents a Party from requiring the designation of an agent for the purpose of facilitating communications between regulatory authorities of the Party and a person of another Party.

8. For purposes of paragraph 6:

distributor means a person of a Party who is responsible for the commercial distribution, agency, concession, or representation in the territory of that Party of goods of another Party;

Article 2.9: Import Licensing

1. No Party may adopt or maintain a measure that is inconsistent with the Import Licensing Agreement.

2. Promptly after entry into force of this Agreement, each Party shall notify the other Parties of any existing import licensing procedures, and thereafter shall notify the other Parties of any new import licensing procedure and any modification to its existing import licensing procedures, within 60 days before it takes effect. A notification provided under this Article shall:

- (a) include the information specified in Article 5 of the Import Licensing Agreement; and
- (b) be without prejudice as to whether the import licensing procedure is consistent with this Agreement.

3. No Party may apply an import licensing procedure to a good of another Party unless it has provided notification in accordance with paragraph 2.

Article 2.10: Administrative Fees and Formalities

1. Each Party shall ensure, in accordance with Article VIII:1 of the GATT 1994 and its interpretive notes, that all fees and charges of whatever character (other than customs duties, charges equivalent to an internal tax or other internal charge applied consistently with Article III:2 of the GATT 1994, and antidumping and countervailing duties) imposed on or in connection with importation or exportation are limited in amount to the approximate cost of services rendered and do not represent an indirect protection to domestic goods or a taxation of imports or exports for fiscal purposes.

2. No Party may require consular transactions, including related fees and charges, in connection with the importation of any good of another Party.

3. Each Party shall make available and maintain through the Internet a current list of the fees and charges it imposes in connection with importation or exportation.

4. The United States shall eliminate its Merchandise Processing Fee on originating goods of Colombia upon the entry into force of this Agreement.

Article 2.11: Export Taxes

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, no Party may adopt or maintain any duty, tax, or other charge on the export of any good to the territory of another Party, unless the duty, tax, or charge is also adopted or maintained on the good when destined for domestic consumption.

Section E: Other Measures

Article 2.12: Distinctive Products

1. Colombia shall recognize Bourbon Whiskey and Tennessee Whiskey, which is a straight Bourbon Whiskey authorized to be produced only in the State of Tennessee, as distinctive products of the United States. Accordingly, Colombia shall not permit the sale of any product as Bourbon Whiskey or Tennessee Whiskey, unless it has been manufactured in the United States in accordance with the laws and regulations of the United States governing the manufacture of Bourbon Whiskey and Tennessee Whiskey.

2. At the request of a Party, the Committee on Trade in Goods shall consider whether to recommend that the Parties amend the Agreement to designate a good as a distinctive product for the purposes of this Article.

Section F: Institutional Provisions

Article 2.13: Committee on Trade in Goods

1. The Parties hereby establish a Committee on Trade in Goods, comprising representatives of each Party.
2. The Committee shall meet on the request of a Party or the Commission to consider any matter arising under this Chapter, Chapter Four (Rules of Origin and Origin Procedures), or Chapter Five (Customs Administration and Trade Facilitation).
3. The Committee's functions shall include, *inter alia*:
 - (a) promoting trade in goods between the Parties, including through consultations on accelerating tariff elimination under this Agreement and other issues as appropriate;
 - (b) addressing barriers to trade in goods between the Parties, especially those related to the application of non-tariff measures, and, if appropriate, referring such matters to the Commission for its consideration;
 - (c) providing to the Committee on Trade Capacity Building advice and recommendations on technical assistance needs regarding matters relating to this Chapter, Chapter Four (Rules of Origin and Origin Procedures), or Chapter Five (Customs Administration and Trade Facilitation);
 - (d) reviewing conversion to the Harmonized System 2007 nomenclature and its subsequent revisions to ensure that each Party's obligations under this Agreement are not altered, and consulting to resolve any conflicts between:
 - (i) the Harmonized System 2007 or subsequent nomenclature and Annex 2.3; and
 - (ii) Annex 2.3 and national nomenclatures; and
 - (e) consulting on and endeavoring to resolve any difference that may arise among the Parties on matters related to the classification of goods under the Harmonized System.

Section G: Agriculture

Article 2.14: Scope and Coverage

This Section applies to measures adopted or maintained by a Party relating to trade in agricultural goods.

Article 2.15: Administration and Implementation of Tariff-Rate Quotas

1. Each Party shall implement and administer the tariff-rate quotas for agricultural goods set out in Appendix I to its Schedule to Annex 2.3 (hereafter “TRQs”) in accordance with Article XIII of the GATT 1994, including its interpretive notes, and the Import Licensing Agreement.
2. Each Party shall ensure that:
 - (a) its procedures for administering its TRQs are transparent, made available to the public, timely, nondiscriminatory, responsive to market conditions, and minimally burdensome to trade;
 - (b) subject to subparagraph (c), any person of a Party that fulfills the Party’s legal and administrative requirements shall be eligible to apply and to be considered for an in-quota quantity allocation under the Party’s TRQs;
 - (c) it does not, under its TRQs:
 - (i) allocate any portion of an in-quota quantity to a producer group;
 - (ii) condition access to an in-quota quantity on purchase of domestic production; or
 - (iii) limit access to an in-quota quantity only to processors;
 - (d) solely government authorities administer its TRQs and government authorities do not delegate administration of its TRQs to producer groups or other non-governmental organizations, except as otherwise provided in this Agreement; and
 - (e) it allocates in-quota quantities under its TRQs in commercially viable shipping quantities and, to the maximum extent possible, in the amounts that importers request.
3. Each Party shall make every effort to administer its TRQs in a manner that allows importers to fully utilize them.
4. No Party may condition application for, or use of, an in-quota quantity allocation under a TRQ on the re-export of an agricultural good.

5. No Party may count food aid or other non-commercial shipments in determining whether an in-quota quantity under a TRQ has been filled.

6. On request of the exporting Party, the importing Party shall consult with the exporting Party regarding the administration of the importing Party's TRQs.

Article 2.16: Agricultural Export Subsidies

1. The Parties share the objective of the multilateral elimination of export subsidies for agricultural goods and shall work together toward an agreement in the WTO to eliminate those subsidies and prevent their reintroduction in any form.

2. Except as provided in paragraph 3, no Party may adopt or maintain any export subsidy on any agricultural good destined for the territory of another Party.

3. Where the exporting Party considers that a non-Party is exporting an agricultural good to the territory of another Party with the benefit of export subsidies, the importing Party shall, on written request of the exporting Party, consult with the exporting Party with a view to agreeing on specific measures that the importing Party may adopt to counter the effect of such subsidized imports. If the importing Party adopts the agreed-on measures, the exporting Party shall refrain from applying any subsidy to its exports of the good to the territory of the importing Party.

Article 2.17: Export State Trading Enterprises

The Parties shall work together toward an agreement on export state trading enterprises in the WTO that:

- (a) eliminates restrictions on the right to export;
- (b) eliminates any special financing granted directly or indirectly to state trading enterprises that export for sale a significant share of their country's total exports of an agricultural good; and
- (c) ensures greater transparency regarding the operation and maintenance of export state trading enterprises.

Article 2.18: Agricultural Safeguard Measures

1. Notwithstanding Article 2.3, a Party may apply a measure in the form of an additional import duty on an originating agricultural good listed in that Party's Schedule to Annex 2.18, provided that the conditions in paragraphs 2 through 8 are met. The sum of any such additional import duty and any other customs duty on such good shall not exceed the least of:

- (a) the base tariff rate provided in the Schedule to Annex 2.3;

- (b) the most-favored-nation (MFN) applied rate of duty in effect on the day immediately preceding the date of entry into force of this Agreement;
 - (c) the prevailing MFN applied rate of duty; or
 - (d) the level of duty described in subparagraph 2(c) of Appendix I to Colombia's Schedule to Annex 2.3, if applicable.
2. A Party may apply an agricultural safeguard measure during any calendar year on an originating agricultural good if the quantity of imports of the good during such year exceeds the trigger level for that good set out in its Schedule to Annex 2.18.
3. The additional duty under paragraph 1 shall be set according to each Party's Schedule to Annex 2.18.
4. No Party may apply an agricultural safeguard measure and at the same time apply or maintain:
- (a) a safeguard measure under Chapter Eight (Trade Remedies); or
 - (b) a measure under Article XIX of GATT 1994 and the Safeguards Agreement;
- with respect to the same good.
5. No Party may apply or maintain an agricultural safeguard measure on a good:
- (a) on or after the date that the good is subject to duty-free treatment under the Party's Schedule to Annex 2.3; or
 - (b) that increases the in-quota duty on a good subject to a TRQ.
6. A Party shall implement an agricultural safeguard measure in a transparent manner. Within 60 days after applying such a measure, the Party applying the measure shall notify the Party whose good is subject to the measure, in writing, and shall provide it relevant data concerning the measure. On request, the Party applying the measure shall consult with the Party whose good is subject to the measure regarding application of the measure.
7. A Party may maintain an agricultural safeguard measure only until the end of the calendar year in which the Party imposes the measure.
8. Originating goods from any Party shall not be subject to any duties applied pursuant to any agricultural safeguard measure taken under the WTO Agreement on Agriculture or any successor provisions thereof.
9. For purposes of this Article and Annex 2.18, **agricultural safeguard measure** means a measure described in paragraph 1.

Article 2.19: Sugar Compensation Mechanism

1. In any year, the United States may, at its option, apply a mechanism that results in compensation to a Party's exporters of sugar goods in lieu of according duty-free treatment to some or all of the duty-free quantity of sugar goods established for that Party in Appendix I to the Schedule of the United States to Annex 2.3. Such compensation shall be equivalent to the estimated economic rents the Party's exporters would have obtained on exports to the United States of any such amounts of sugar goods and shall be provided within 30 days after the United States exercises this option. The United States shall notify the Party at least 90 days before it exercises this option and, on request, shall enter into consultations with the Party regarding application of the mechanism.

2. For purposes of this Article, **sugar good** means a good provided for in the subheadings listed in subparagraph 9(c) of Appendix I to the Schedule of the United States to Annex 2.3.

Article 2.20: Consultations on Trade in Chicken

The Parties shall consult on, and review the implementation and operation of the Agreement as it relates to, trade in chicken in the ninth year after the date of entry into force of this Agreement.

Article 2.21: Committee on Agricultural Trade

1. No later than 180 days after the date of entry into force of this Agreement, the Parties shall establish a Committee on Agricultural Trade, comprising representatives of each Party.

2. The Committee shall provide a forum for:

- (a) monitoring and promoting cooperation on the implementation and administration of this Section;
- (b) consultation between the Parties on matters related to this Section in coordination with other committees, subcommittees, working groups, or other bodies established under this Agreement; and
- (c) undertaking any additional work that the Commission may assign.

3. The Committee shall meet at least once a year unless it decides otherwise. Meetings of the Committee shall be chaired by the representatives of the Party hosting the meeting.

4. All decisions of the Committee shall be taken by consensus, unless the Committee otherwise decides.

Section H: Definitions

Article 2.22: Definitions

For purposes of this Chapter:

AD Agreement means the *WTO Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994*;

advertising films and recordings means recorded visual media or audio materials, consisting essentially of images and/or sound, showing the nature or operation of goods or services offered for sale or lease by a person established or resident in the territory of a Party, provided that such materials are of a kind suitable for exhibition to prospective customers but not for broadcast to the general public;

agricultural goods means those goods referred to in Article 2 of the WTO Agreement on Agriculture;

commercial samples of negligible value means commercial samples having a value, individually or in the aggregate as shipped, of not more than one U.S. dollar, or the equivalent amount in the currency of another Party, or so marked, torn, perforated, or otherwise treated that they are unsuitable for sale or use except as commercial samples;

consular transactions means requirements that goods of a Party intended for export to the territory of another Party must first be submitted to the supervision of the consul of the importing Party in the territory of the exporting Party for the purpose of obtaining consular invoices or consular visas for commercial invoices, certificates of origin, manifests, shippers' export declarations, or any other customs documentation required on or in connection with importation;

consumed means

- (a) actually consumed; or
- (b) further processed or manufactured so as to result in a substantial change in the value, form, or use of the good or in the production of another good;

duty-free means free of customs duty;

export subsidies shall have the meaning assigned to that term in Article 1(e) of the *WTO Agreement on Agriculture*, including any amendment of that article;

goods intended for display or demonstration includes their component parts, ancillary apparatus, and accessories;

goods temporarily admitted for sports purposes means sports requisites for use in sports

contests, demonstrations, or training in the territory of the Party into whose territory such goods are admitted;

import licensing means an administrative procedure requiring the submission of an application or other documentation (other than that generally required for customs clearance purposes) to the relevant administrative body as a prior condition for importation into the territory of the importing Party;

Import Licensing Agreement means the *WTO Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures*;

performance requirement means a requirement that:

- (a) a given level or percentage of goods or services be exported;
- (b) domestic goods or services of the Party granting a waiver of customs duties or an import license be substituted for imported goods;
- (c) a person benefiting from a waiver of customs duties or an import license purchase other goods or services in the territory of the Party granting the waiver of customs duties or the import license, or accord a preference to domestically produced goods;
- (d) a person benefiting from a waiver of customs duties or an import license produce goods or supply services, in the territory of the Party granting the waiver of customs duties or the import license, with a given level or percentage of domestic content; or
- (e) relates in any way the volume or value of imports to the volume or value of exports or to the amount of foreign exchange inflows;

but does not include a requirement that an imported good be:

- (f) subsequently exported;
- (g) used as a material in the production of another good that is subsequently exported;
- (h) substituted by an identical or similar good used as a material in the production of another good that is subsequently exported; or
- (i) substituted by an identical or similar good that is subsequently exported;

printed advertising materials means those goods classified in Chapter 49 of the Harmonized System, including brochures, pamphlets, leaflets, trade catalogues, yearbooks published by trade associations, tourist promotional materials, and posters, that are used to promote, publicize, or

advertise a good or service, are essentially intended to advertise a good or service, and are supplied free of charge; and

SCM Agreement means the *WTO Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures*.

Annex 2.2

National Treatment and Import and Export Restrictions

Section A: Measures of Colombia

Articles 2.2 and 2.8 shall not apply to:

- (a) controls on the export of coffee pursuant to Law No. 9 of 17 January 1991;
- (b) measures relating to the taxation of alcoholic beverages pursuant to the *Impuesto al Consumo* provided for in Law No. 788 of 27 December 2002 and Law No. 223 of 22 December 1995, until four years after the date of entry into force of this Agreement;
- (c) controls on the importation of used and imperfect goods, remainings, scraps, wastes, and residues pursuant to Resolution No. 001 of 2 January 1995;²
- (d) controls on the importation of automotive vehicles, including used vehicles and new vehicles whose importation occurs more than two years following their date of production, in accordance with Resolution No. 001 of 2 January 1995; and
- (e) actions authorized by the Dispute Settlement Body of the WTO.

Section B: Measures of the United States

Articles 2.2 and 2.8 shall not apply to:

- (a) controls on the export of logs of all species;
- (b)
 - (i) measures under existing provisions of the *Merchant Marine Act of 1920*, 46 App. U.S.C. § 883; the *Passenger Vessel Act*, 46 App. U.S.C. §§ 289, 292, and 316; and 46 U.S.C. § 12108, to the extent that such measures were mandatory legislation at the time of the accession of the United States to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1947 (GATT 1947) and have not been amended so as to decrease their conformity with Part II of the GATT 1947;
 - (ii) the continuation or prompt renewal of a non-conforming provision of any statute referred to in clause (i); and

² The controls identified in this subparagraph do not apply to remanufactured goods.

- (iii) the amendment to a non-conforming provision of any statute referred to in clause (i) to the extent that the amendment does not decrease the conformity of the provision with Articles 2.2 and 2.8; and
- (c) actions authorized by the Dispute Settlement Body of the WTO.

Annex 2.3

Tariff Elimination

1. Except as otherwise provided in a Party's Schedule to this Annex, the following staging categories apply to the elimination of customs duties by each Party pursuant to Article 2.3.2:
 - (a) duties on originating goods provided for in the items in staging category A in a Party's Schedule shall be eliminated entirely and such goods shall be duty-free on the date this Agreement enters into force;
 - (b) duties on originating goods provided for in the items in staging category B in a Party's Schedule shall be removed in five equal annual stages beginning on the date this Agreement enters into force, and such goods shall be duty-free, effective January 1 of year five;
 - (c) duties on originating goods provided for in the items in staging category C in a Party's Schedule shall be removed in ten equal annual stages beginning on the date this Agreement enters into force, and such goods shall be duty-free, effective January 1 of year ten;
 - (d) duties on originating goods provided for in the items in staging category D in a Party's Schedule shall be removed in 15 equal annual stages beginning on the date this Agreement enters into force, and such goods shall be duty-free, effective January 1 of year 15;
 - (e) duties on originating goods provided for in the items in staging category E in a Party's Schedule shall remain at base rates during years one through ten. Beginning on January 1 of year 11, duties shall be reduced in seven equal annual stages, and such goods shall be duty-free, effective January 1 of year 17;
 - (f) originating goods provided for in the items in staging category F in a Party's Schedule shall continue to receive duty-free treatment; and
 - (g) duties on originating goods provided for in the items in staging category T in a Party's Schedule shall be removed in 11 equal annual stages beginning on the date this Agreement enters into force, and such goods shall be duty-free, effective January 1 of year 11.
2. The base rate of customs duty and staging category for determining the interim rate of customs duty at each stage of reduction for an item are indicated for the item in each Party's Schedule.

3. Interim staged rates shall be rounded down, at least to the nearest tenth of a percentage point, or, if the rate of duty is expressed in monetary units, at least to the nearest 0.001 of the official monetary unit of the Party.

4. For purposes of this Annex and a Party's Schedule, **year one** means the year this Agreement enters into force as provided in Article 23.4 (Entry into Force).

5. For purposes of this Annex and a Party's Schedule, beginning in year two, each annual stage of tariff reduction shall take effect on January 1 of the relevant year.

Annex 2.11

Export Taxes

With respect to Colombia, Article 2.11 shall not apply to:

- (a) a contribution required on the export of coffee pursuant to Law No. 101 of 1993;
and
- (b) a contribution required on the export of emeralds pursuant to Law No. 488
of 1998.

Annex 2.18

Agricultural Safeguard Measures

General Notes

1. For each good listed in a Party's Schedule to this Annex for which the agricultural safeguard trigger level is set out in that Schedule as a percentage of the applicable tariff-rate quota (TRQ), the trigger level in any year shall be determined by multiplying the in-quota quantity for that good for that year, as set out in Appendix I to the Party's Schedule to Annex 2.3, by the applicable percentage.
2. For purposes of this Annex, **prime and choice beef** shall mean prime and choice grades of beef as defined in the United States Standards for Grades of Carcass Beef, promulgated pursuant to the *Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946* (7 U.S.C. §§ 1621-1627), as amended.

Schedule of Colombia

Subject Goods and Trigger Levels

1. For purposes of paragraphs 1 and 2 of Article 2.18, U.S. goods that may be subject to an agricultural safeguard measure and the trigger level for each such good are set out below:

Good	Tariff Classification	Trigger Level
Standard Quality Beef	02012000.B, 02013000.B, 02022000.B, 02023000.B	140% of TRQ
Spent Fowl (Chickens)	02071100.A, 02071200.A	130% of TRQ
Chicken Leg Quarters	02071300.A, 02071400.A, 16023200.A	130% of TRQ
Dried Beans	07133190, 07133290, 07133391, 07133392, 07133399, 07133991, 07133992, 07133999	130% of TRQ
Rice	10061090, 10062000, 10063000, 10064000	120% of TRQ

Additional Import Duty

2. For purposes of paragraph 3 of Article 2.18, the additional import duty shall be:

- (a) For beef other than prime and choice beef (“standard quality beef”) as listed in this Schedule:
 - (i) in years one through four, less than or equal to 100 percent of the difference between the limit provided in Article 2.18.1 and the applicable tariff rate provided in paragraph 2 of Appendix I to Colombia’s Schedule to Annex 2.3;
 - (ii) in years five through seven, less than or equal to 75 percent of the difference between the limit provided in Article 2.18.1 and the applicable tariff rate provided in paragraph 2 of Appendix I to Colombia’s Schedule to Annex 2.3; and
 - (iii) in years eight through nine, less than or equal to 50 percent of the difference between the limit provided in Article 2.18.1 and the applicable tariff rate provided in paragraph 2 of Appendix I to Colombia’s Schedule to Annex 2.3.
- (b) For spent fowl (chickens) as listed in this Schedule:

- (i) in years one through six, less than or equal to 100 percent of the difference between the limit provided in Article 2.18.1 and the applicable tariff rate provided in paragraph 2 of Appendix I to Colombia's Schedule to Annex 2.3;
 - (ii) in years seven through 12, less than or equal to 75 percent of the difference between the limit provided in Article 2.18.1 and the applicable tariff rate provided in paragraph 2 of Appendix I to Colombia's Schedule to Annex 2.3; and
 - (iii) in years 13 through 17, less than or equal to 50 percent of the difference between the limit provided in Article 2.18.1 and the applicable tariff rate provided in paragraph 2 of Appendix I to Colombia's Schedule to Annex 2.3.
- (c) For chicken leg quarters as listed in this Schedule:
- (i) in years one through six, less than or equal to 100 percent of the difference between the limit provided in Article 2.18.1 and the applicable tariff rate provided in paragraph 2 of Appendix I to Colombia's Schedule to Annex 2.3;
 - (ii) in years seven through 12, less than or equal to 75 percent of the difference between the limit provided in Article 2.18.1 and the applicable tariff rate provided in paragraph 2 of Appendix I to Colombia's Schedule to Annex 2.3; and
 - (iii) in years 13 through 17, less than or equal to 50 percent of the difference between the limit provided in Article 2.18.1 and the applicable tariff rate provided in paragraph 2 of Appendix I to Colombia's Schedule to Annex 2.3.
- (d) For dried beans as listed in this Schedule:
- (i) in years one through three, less than or equal to 100 percent of the difference between the limit provided in Article 2.18.1 and the applicable tariff rate provided in paragraph 2 of Appendix I to Colombia's Schedule to Annex 2.3;
 - (ii) in years four through six, less than or equal to 75 percent of the difference between the limit provided in Article 2.18.1 and the applicable tariff rate provided in paragraph 2 of Appendix I to Colombia's Schedule to Annex 2.3; and
 - (iii) in years seven through nine, less than or equal to 50 percent of the difference between the limit provided in Article 2.18.1 and the applicable

tariff rate provided in paragraph 2 of Appendix I to Colombia's Schedule to Annex 2.3.

- (e) For rice as listed in this Schedule:
 - (i) in years one through six, less than or equal to 100 percent of the difference between the limit provided in Article 2.18.1 and the applicable tariff rate provided in paragraph 2 of Appendix I to Colombia's Schedule to Annex 2.3;
 - (ii) in years seven through 12, less than or equal to 75 percent of the difference between the limit provided in Article 2.18.1 and the applicable tariff rate provided in paragraph 2 of Appendix I to Colombia's Schedule to Annex 2.3; and
 - (iii) in years 13 through 18, less than or equal to 50 percent of the difference between the limit provided in Article 2.18.1 and the applicable tariff rate provided in paragraph 2 of Appendix I to Colombia's Schedule to Annex 2.3.

Schedule of the United States

Subject Goods and Trigger Levels

1. For purposes of paragraphs 1 and 2 of Article 2.18, Colombia goods that may be subject to an agricultural safeguard measure and the trigger level for each such good are set out below:

Good	Tariff Classification	Trigger Level
Beef	02011050, 02012080, 02013080, 02021050, 02022080, 02023080	140% of TRQ

Additional Import Duty

2. For purposes of paragraph 3 of Article 2.18, for beef as listed in this Schedule, the additional import duty shall be:

- (a) in years one through four, less than or equal to 100 percent of the difference between the limit provided in Article 2.18.1 and the applicable tariff rate provided in the Schedule of the United States to Annex 2.3;
- (b) in years five through seven, less than or equal to 75 percent of the difference between the limit provided in Article 2.18.1 and the applicable tariff rate provided in the Schedule of the United States to Annex 2.3; and
- (c) in years eight through nine, less than or equal to 50 percent of the difference between the limit provided in Article 2.18.1 and the applicable tariff rate provided in the Schedule of the United States to Annex 2.3.