

CHAPTER ONE

OBJECTIVES AND GENERAL DEFINITIONS

ARTICLE 1.1

Establishment of a Free Trade Area

The Parties to this Agreement hereby establish a free trade area, consistent with Article XXIV of GATT 1994 and Article V of GATS.

ARTICLE 1.2

Objectives

The objectives of this Agreement are to liberalise and facilitate trade and investment between the Parties in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 1.3

Definitions of General Application

For the purposes of this Agreement, unless otherwise specified:

"Agreement on Agriculture" means the Agreement on Agriculture contained in Annex 1A of the WTO Agreement;

"Agreement on Government Procurement" means the Agreement on Government Procurement contained in Annex 4 of the WTO Agreement;

"Agreement on Preshipment Inspection" means the Agreement on Preshipment Inspection contained in Annex 1A of the WTO Agreement;

"Anti-Dumping Agreement" means the Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994 contained in Annex 1A of the WTO Agreement;

"Customs Valuation Agreement" means the Agreement on Implementation of Article VII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994 contained in Annex 1A of the WTO Agreement;

"day" means a calendar day;

"DSU" means the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes contained in Annex 2 of the WTO Agreement;

"GATS" means the General Agreement on Trade in Services contained in Annex 1B of the WTO Agreement;

"GATT 1994" means the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994 contained in Annex 1A of the WTO Agreement;

"Harmonized System" means the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System, including all legal notes and amendments thereto (hereinafter also referred to as the "HS");

"IMF" means the International Monetary Fund;

"Import Licensing Agreement" means the Agreement on Import Licencing Procedures contained in Annex 1A of the WTO Agreement;

"measure" means any law, regulation, procedure, requirement or practice;

"natural person of a Party" means a national of Singapore, or of one of the Member States of the Union¹, according to their respective legislation;

¹ The term "natural person" includes natural persons permanently residing in Latvia who are not citizens of Latvia or any other state but who are entitled, under the laws and regulations of Latvia, to receive a non-citizen's passport (Alien's Passport).

"Partnership and Cooperation Agreement" means the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Singapore, of the other part, signed in Brussels on 19 October 2018;

"person" means a natural person or a juridical person;

"Safeguards Agreement" means the Agreement on Safeguards contained in Annex 1A of the WTO Agreement;

"SCM Agreement" means the Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures contained in Annex 1A of the WTO Agreement;

"SPS Agreement" means the Agreement on the Application of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures contained in Annex 1A of the WTO Agreement;

"TBT Agreement" means the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade contained in Annex 1A of the WTO Agreement;

"TRIPS Agreement" means the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights contained in Annex 1C of the WTO Agreement;

"WIPO" means the World Intellectual Property Organization;

"WTO" means the World Trade Organization; and

"WTO Agreement" means the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization done at Marrakesh on 15 April 1994.