

**ADDITIONAL PROTOCOL****laying down the trade arrangements for certain fish and fishery products to the Europe Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Latvia, of the other part**

THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY, hereinafter referred to as 'the Community',

of the one part, and

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF LATVIA,

of the other part,

WHEREAS the Europe Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Latvia, of the other part, hereinafter referred to as 'the Europe Agreement', was signed in Brussels on 12 June 1995 and entered into force on 1 February 1998;

WHEREAS technical negotiations based on Article 20(4) and Article 23 of the Europe Agreement have been carried out and successfully concluded between the Community and the Republic of Latvia to agree on reciprocal tariff concessions in the fisheries sector;

WHEREAS the negotiated concessions in the fisheries sector shall affect the bilateral concessions granted under the Europe Agreement, which should, therefore, be amended by means of a Protocol adjusting the trade aspects of that Agreement;

WHEREAS the Community and the Republic of Latvia also agreed on an administratively simple procedure for implementing the negotiated tariff concessions as soon as possible on a gradual basis,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

*Article 1*

From the date of entry into force of this Protocol for fish and fishery products as defined in Article 1 of Council Regulation (EC) No 104/2000 both Parties shall apply full free trade for all the products covered by Annex XII and Annex XIII of the Europe Agreement, and other concessions for fish and fishery products if otherwise granted. From the date of entry into force of this Protocol, both Parties shall apply a one third reduction of the tariff duties applied by the Community and the Republic of Latvia respectively for all the remaining fish and fishery products.

One year after the date of entry into force of this Protocol, both Parties shall apply a further one third reduction of the tariff duties as they were at the time of the entry into force of this Protocol.

Three years after the date of entry into force of this Protocol, or if commonly agreed earlier, full free trade in all fish and fishery products shall be applied. Any such agreement on earlier application of full free trade in all fish and fishery products shall be implemented in accordance with Article 4.

*Article 2*

The reductions referred to in Article 1 shall be calculated using common mathematical principles taking into account that:

- (a) all the figures less than 50 (included) after the decimal point shall be rounded down to the nearest whole number;
- (b) all the figures more than 50 after the decimal point shall be rounded up to the nearest whole number;
- (c) all the tariffs below 2 % shall automatically be fixed at 0 % level by both Parties.

The Parties will exchange information on those cases where the above principles apply.

*Article 3*

This Protocol shall enter into force on the first day of the month following the date on which the Parties have notified each other of the completion of the internal procedures necessary for that purpose.

*Article 4*

This Protocol may be amended by decision of the Association Council.

Hecho en Bruselas, el veintinueve de mayo de dos mil dos.

Udfærdiget i Bruxelles den niogtyvende maj to tusind og to.

Geschehen zu Brüssel am neunundzwanzigsten Mai zweitausendundzwei.

Έγινε στις Βρυξέλλες, στις είκοσι εννέα Μαΐου δύο χιλιάδες δύο.

Done at Brussels on the twenty-ninth day of May in the year two thousand and two.

Fait à Bruxelles, le vingt-neuf mai deux mille deux.

Fatto a Bruxelles, addì ventinove maggio duemiladue.

Gedaan te Brussel, de negenentwintigste mei tweeduizendtwee.

Feito em Bruxelas, em vinte e nove de Maio de dois mil e dois.

Tehty Brysselissä kahdentenakymmenentenäyhdeksäntenä päivänä toukokuuta vuonna kaksituhattakaksi.

Som skedde i Bryssel den tjugonionde maj tjugohundratvå.

Sastādīts Briselē, maija divdesmit devītajā dienā, divi tūkstoši otrajā gadā.

Por la Comunidad Europea

For Det Europæiske Fællesskab

Für die Europäische Gemeinschaft

Για την Ευρωπαϊκή Κοινότητα

For the European Community

Pour la Communauté européenne

Per la Comunità europea

Voor de Europese Gemeenschap

Pela Comunidade Europeia

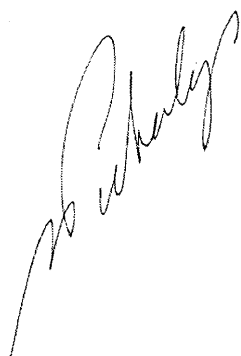
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För Europeiska gemenskapen

Eiropas Kopienas vārdā



Por la República de Letonia  
For Republikken Letland  
Für die Republik Lettland  
Για τη Δημοκρατία της Λετονίας  
For the Republic of Latvia  
Pour la République de Lettonie  
Per la Repubblica di Lettonia  
Voor de Republiek Letland  
Pela República da Letónia  
Latvian tasavallan puolesta  
För Republiken Lettland  
Latvijas Republikas vārdā

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