

AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT ON AGRICULTURE BETWEEN THE
SWISS CONFEDERATION AND MONTENEGRO

The Swiss Confederation (hereinafter referred to as “Switzerland”) and Montenegro;

HAVING REGARD to the Agreement on Agriculture concluded by Switzerland and Montenegro on 14 November 2011 (hereinafter referred to as the “Agreement”)

NOTING that the Agreement was concluded further to the Free Trade Agreement between the EFTA States and Montenegro signed on 14 November 2011 (hereinafter referred to as the “Free Trade Agreement”), and in particular pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article 7 of the Free Trade Agreement;

NOTING that the Regional Convention on Pan-Euro-Mediterranean Preferential Rules of Origin (hereinafter referred to as the “Convention”) aims at replacing the rules of origin currently in force among the Contracting Parties to the Pan-Euro-Mediterranean system;

NOTING that the Convention entered into force for Switzerland on 1 January 2012 and for Montenegro on 1 September 2012;

AIMING to harmonise the rules of origin to the Agreement with those of the Convention;

AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS TO THE AGREEMENT:

1. The text of Article 3 to the Agreement shall be replaced by the text in the Annex to this Amendment.
2. This Amendment shall enter into force on the same date as the Protocol amending the Free Trade Agreement between the EFTA States and Montenegro adopted on 14 July 2021 enters into force.
3. Pending entry into force, any Party may, if its constitutional requirements permit, apply this Agreement provisionally during an initial period starting on 1 September 2021, provided that in relation to Montenegro this Agreement is provisionally applied at the latest as of the same date. Provisional application of this Agreement shall be notified to the Depositary.

Done at Geneva, this 14th day of July 2021, in two originals in English.

For the Swiss Confederation

For Montenegro

ARTICLE 3

Rules of Origin and Administrative Cooperation

Annex VIII to the Free Trade Agreement shall apply to this Agreement, *mutatis mutandis*.
