

CHAIRMAN OF THE EFTA COUNCIL

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Mr. Director-General,

Please find enclosed a notification pertaining to the termination of the Free Trade Agreements between the Member States of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland) with Estonia, Lithuania, Latvia, Slovenia, the Slovak Republic, the Czech Republic, Poland and Hungary which were all notified to the WTO under Article XXIV of GATT 1994.

Yours sincerely,

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Enclosure

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**FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE EFTA STATES AND  
ESTONIA, LITHUANIA, LATVIA, SLOVENIA, THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC,  
THE CZECH REPUBLIC, POLAND AND HUNGARY**

**NOTIFICATION FROM THE EFTA STATES**

The Member States of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) (Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland) have the honour to inform the Members of the World Trade Organization (WTO) that the Free Trade Agreements of the EFTA States with Estonia, Lithuania, Latvia, Slovenia, the Slovak Republic, the Czech Republic, Poland and Hungary which were all notified to the WTO under Article XXIV of GATT 1994, have been terminated as of the date of these countries' accession to the European Union. The EFTA States' trade relations with these countries will now be governed by the EEA Agreement between the EEA-EFTA States (Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway) and the European Union and the bilateral agreements between Switzerland and the European Union.

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