

PROTOCOL B CONCERNING THE DEFINITION OF THE CONCEPT OF “ORIGINATING PRODUCTS” AND METHODS OF ADMINISTRATIVE COOPERATION¹

Article 1

Applicable rules of origin

For the purpose of implementing the Agreement, Appendix I and the relevant provisions of Appendix II to the Regional Convention on Pan-Euro-Mediterranean preferential rules of origin (hereinafter referred to as the “Convention”) shall apply and are hereby incorporated into and made part of the Agreement, *mutatis mutandis*.

Article 2

Dispute settlement

Chapter 7 of the Agreement shall apply with respect to the settlement of any dispute concerning the interpretation or application of Appendix I to the Convention.

Article 3

Withdrawal from the Convention

1. Should either Serbia or any of the EFTA States give notice in writing to the Depositary of the Convention of their intention to withdraw from the Convention according to Article 9 thereof, the other parties to this agreement shall immediately enter into negotiations on rules of origin for the purpose of implementing the Agreement.
2. Until the entry into force of such newly negotiated rules of origin, the rules of origin contained in Appendix I and, where appropriate, the relevant provisions of Appendix II to the Convention, applicable at the time of withdrawal, shall continue to apply to the Agreement. However, as of the time of withdrawal, the rules of origin contained in Appendix I and, where appropriate, the relevant provisions of Appendix II to the Convention shall be construed so as to allow bilateral cumulation between the Party withdrawn and the other Parties only.

¹ Protocol B as amended by Joint Committee Decision No. 1 of 2018 (19 June 2018); entry into force on 1 January 2020.

Article 4

Transitional provisions on cumulation

1. Provided that paragraph 5 of Article 3 of Appendix I of the Convention is fulfilled, it is understood that diagonal cumulating may be applied between Contracting Parties to the Convention, regardless whether the Convention is applicable to them or not.
 2. Notwithstanding paragraph 5 of Article 16 and paragraph 3 of Article 21 of Appendix I to the Convention, where cumulation involves only Serbia, the EFTA States, the Faroe Islands, the European Union, Turkey and any other participants in the European Union's Stabilisation and Association Process, the proof of origin may be a movement certificate EUR.1 or an origin declaration.
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