

**PROTOCOL A**

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##### Article 1

1. In order to take account of differences in the cost of the agricultural raw materials incorporated in the products referred to in Articles 2 and 3 of this Protocol, this Agreement does not preclude:

- (a) the levying, upon import, of a fixed duty;
- (b) the application of measures adopted upon export.

2. The fixed duties, levied upon import, shall be based on, but not exceed, the differences between the domestic price and the world market price of the agricultural raw materials incorporated into the products concerned.

##### Article 2

1. For products listed in the Table, originating in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, Iceland, Liechtenstein/Switzerland and Norway respectively shall accord the concessions indicated in the Table.

2. Taking into account the provisions laid down in Article 1 of this Protocol, Iceland, Liechtenstein/Switzerland and Norway shall, based on reviews that can be requested by either side, accord for products listed in the Table, originating in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, treatment not less favourable than that accorded to the European Community.

##### Article 3

For products listed in the Table, originating in an EFTA State, the Palestinian Authority shall not apply fixed duties higher than those applicable at the entry into force of this Agreement. No new fixed duties shall be introduced on imports of these products.

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As amended by Joint Committee Decision No. 5 of 2003 (1 August 2003); entry into force on 1 August 2003, and subsequently by Joint Committee Decision No 1 of 2008 (13 March 2008); entry into force on 1 October 2010.

Article 4

1. The EFTA States shall notify the Palestinian Authority and the Palestinian Authority shall notify the EFTA States at an early stage, at least before the entering into force, of all measures applied under Article 1 of this Protocol.
2. The Palestinian Authority and the EFTA States shall inform each other of all changes in the treatment accorded to the European Community.

Article 5

The EFTA States and the Palestinian Authority shall review periodically the development of their trade in products covered by this Protocol. A first review shall take place at the latest after the introduction of any changes in the relations with the European Community. In the light of these reviews and taking into account the arrangements between the Parties and the European Community or in the WTO, the EFTA States and the Palestinian Authority shall decide on possible changes to the product coverage of this Protocol, as well as on a possible development of the measures applied under Article 1 of this Protocol.

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