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- 1. The Parties hereby establish a Sub-Committee on Trade in Goods (Sub-Committee) comprising representatives of each State Party.
- 2. The Sub-Committee may only consider matters arising under Chapter 2 (Trade in Goods) of the Agreement, including Annexes I (Rules of Origin) to VI (Trade Facilitation).
- 3. Within its area of competence, the Sub-Committee shall:
 - (a) monitor and review measures and implementation of commitments;
 - (b) exchange information and review developments;
 - (c) prepare technical proposals of amendments, including HS updates, to be considered by the Joint Committee;
 - (d) carry out other functions with respect to trade in goods that are referred to the Sub-Committee by the Joint Committee; and
 - (e) make recommendations and report to the Joint Committee as necessary.
- 4. The Sub-Committee shall act by consensus.
- 5. The Sub-Committee shall meet as often as required. It shall be convened upon request of a State Party. The place of the meeting shall alternate between an EFTA State and a MERCOSUR State as agreed by the State Parties. The State Parties may agree to hold a Sub-Committee meeting by electronic means of communication.
- 6. The meetings of the Sub-Committee shall be chaired jointly by one of the EFTA States and one of the MERCOSUR States.
- 7. A provisional agenda for each meeting shall be prepared by the host of the Sub-Committee in consultation with the other State Parties, and forwarded to them, as a general rule no later than two weeks before the meeting.
- 8. The Sub-Committee shall prepare a report on the results of each meeting. If requested, the chairpersons shall report at the following meeting of the Joint Committee.