(b) considering any other matter, including development of an electronic system for facilitating the issuance and verification of certificate of origin, as the Parties may agree related to this Chapter;

(c) reporting the findings of the Sub-Committee to the Joint Committee; and

(d) carrying out other functions as may be delegated by the Joint Committee pursuant to Article 14.

Chapter 4
Customs Procedures

Article 42
Scope and Objectives

1. This Chapter shall apply to customs procedures required for the clearance of goods traded between the Parties.

2. This Chapter shall be implemented by the Parties in accordance with the laws and regulations of each Party and within the available resources of their respective customs authorities.

3. The objectives of this Chapter are to establish a framework to ensure transparency, consistency, fair and proper application of customs laws and prompt clearance of goods and to promote cooperation on customs matters, including the exchange of information, with a view to facilitating legitimate trade in goods between the Parties, preventing, investigating and repressing violation or attempted violation of customs laws, and meeting the needs of Governments of the Parties for the protection of society and revenue.

Article 43
Definition

For the purposes of this Chapter, the term "customs laws" means the statutory and regulatory provisions relating to the importation, exportation, movement or storage of goods, the administration and enforcement of which are specifically entrusted to the customs authority of each Party, and any regulations made by the customs authority of each Party under its statutory power.

Article 44
Transparency

1. Each Party shall ensure that all relevant information of general application pertaining to its customs laws is readily available to any interested person.