Article 47
Advance Rulings

Where a written application is made in accordance with relevant laws or procedures adopted or maintained by the importing Party and the importing Party has no reasonable grounds to deny the issuance, the importing Party shall endeavour to, prior to the importation of the good, issue a written advance ruling concerning the tariff classification, the customs valuation and the origin of the good, as well as the qualification of the good as an originating good of the exporting Party under the provisions of Chapter 3.

Article 48
Cooperation and Exchange of Information

1. The Parties shall cooperate and exchange information with each other on customs matters, including specific cases, such as:

(a) customs procedures;

(b) customs valuation within the meaning of the Agreement on Customs Valuation;

(c) enforcement against the trafficking of prohibited goods and the importation of goods suspected of infringing intellectual property rights;

(d) prevention, investigation and repression of violation or attempted violation of customs laws; and

(e) trade statistics data relating to customs clearance of goods and conveyances related to goods, exported from a Party to the other Party.

2. Such cooperation and exchange of information shall be implemented as provided for in the Implementing Agreement.

3. Paragraph 4 of Article 9 shall not apply to the exchange of information under this Article.

Article 49
Sub-Committee on Customs Procedures

1. For the purposes of the effective implementation and operation of this Chapter, a Sub-Committee on Customs Procedures (hereinafter referred to in this Article as "the Sub-Committee") shall be established on the date of entry into force of this Agreement.

2. The functions of the Sub-Committee shall be:

(a) reviewing the implementation and operation of this Chapter;

(b) identifying areas, relating to this Chapter, to be improved for facilitating trade between the Parties;

(c) reporting its findings to the Joint Committee;

(d) for the purposes set out in paragraph 1, reviewing and making appropriate recommendations, as necessary, to the Joint Committee on the provisions of the Implementing Procedures referred to in Section 11 of Annex 3 concerning documents required by the customs authority under paragraph 4 of Section 2 of Annex 3; and

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

3. The Sub-Committee shall meet at such venues and times as may be agreed by the Parties.

4. The composition of the Sub-Committee shall be specified in the Implementing Agreement.