(a) for Australia, the Department of Agriculture, or its successor; and

(b) for Japan, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, or its successor.

2. The functions of the Chapter Coordinators shall be:

(a) coordinating the work of the Sub-Committee and facilitating the implementation of this Chapter and decisions of the Sub-Committee; and

(b) answering all reasonable enquiries from the other Party regarding SPS measures and, as appropriate, providing the other Party with other relevant information.

3. The Chapter Coordinators shall communicate with each other by any agreed method that is appropriate for the efficient and effective discharge of their functions.

Article 5.6
Non-Application of Chapter 19 (Dispute Settlement)

The dispute settlement procedures provided for in Chapter 19 (Dispute Settlement) shall not apply to this Chapter.

CHAPTER 6
TECHNICAL REGULATIONS, STANDARDS AND CONFORMITY ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES

Article 6.1
Scope

1. This Chapter shall apply to technical regulations, standards and conformity assessment procedures that may, directly or indirectly, affect trade in goods between the Parties.

2. This Chapter shall not apply to purchasing specifications prepared by governmental bodies for production or consumption requirements of governmental bodies or to SPS measures.

3. Each Party shall take such reasonable measures as may be available to it to ensure compliance in the implementation of the provisions of this Chapter by local government and non-governmental bodies within its Area.

Article 6.2
Definitions

For the purposes of this Chapter:

(a) the term “TBT Agreement” means the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade in Annex 1A to the WTO Agreement; and

(b) the definitions set out in the TBT Agreement shall apply.

Article 6.3
Reaffirmation of Rights and Obligations

The Parties reaffirm their rights and obligations under the TBT Agreement.