(b) Article 2.26 no later than three years after the date of entry into force of this Agreement.

2. If the Parties find, in the process of review of the implementation of Article 2.25, that the notifications provided for in Article 2.25 have not been exchanged within two years of the date of entry into force of this Agreement, the Parties shall enter into consultations with a view to agreeing on a practical solution.

3. Where the notification referred to in paragraph 2 of Article 2.25 has not been sent within two years of the date of entry into force of this Agreement and the notification referred to in paragraph 1 of Article 2.25 has been sent, the United Kingdom may temporarily suspend the acceptance of self-certification of wine products provided for in Article 2.27, if a practical solution as referred to in paragraph 2 is not agreed upon within three months of the initiation of the consultations referred to in paragraph 2.

4. The temporary suspension of the acceptance of the self-certification referred to in paragraph 3 shall be immediately terminated when Japan sends the notification provided for in paragraph 2 of Article 2.25 to the United Kingdom.

5. If the Parties find, in the process of review on the implementation of Article 2.26 referred to in subparagraph 1(b), that the notifications provided for in Article 2.26 have not been exchanged within five years of the date of entry into force of this Agreement, the Parties shall enter into consultations.

6. Nothing in this Article shall affect the rights and obligations of a Party under the SPS Agreement.

ARTICLE 2.29

Standstill

1. For matters covered by Articles 2.24 to 2.27, a Party shall not impose less favourable conditions than those provided for in this Section or in its laws and regulations in force on the date of signature of this Agreement.

2. Paragraph 1 shall be without prejudice to the right of the Parties to take sanitary and phytosanitary measures necessary for the protection of human, animal or plant life or health, provided that such measures are not inconsistent with the provisions of the SPS Agreement.

ARTICLE 2.30

Amendments

The Joint Committee may adopt decisions amending Annex 2-E, to add, delete or modify references to oenological practices, restrictions and other elements, in accordance with paragraph 3 of Article 24.2.

SECTION D

Other provisions

ARTICLE 2.31

Exchange of information

1. For the purpose of monitoring the functioning of this Agreement and for the period of 10 years after the entry into force of this Agreement, or for such period of time as may be decided by the Committee on Trade in Goods established pursuant to Article 23.3, the Parties shall annually exchange import statistics for the period covering the most recent calendar year available.

2. The exchange of import statistics referred to in paragraph 1 shall cover, to the extent possible, data pertaining to the period covering the most recent calendar year available, including value and volume, or such data as may be decided by the Committee on Trade in Goods, based on the nomenclature of the Party, of imports of goods of the other Party benefitting from preferential tariff treatment under this Agreement and those that do not receive preferential tariff treatment.