2. A Party's refusal or requirement referred to in paragraph 1 shall be notified to the other Party and to the manufacturer or the importer before its entry into force. The notification shall be accompanied by an objective, reasoned and detailed explanation of the risks and the measures, and any relevant scientific and technical evidence. The Party referred to in paragraph 1 shall endeavour to solve the situation via the application of the procedure referred to in Article 4 of the 1958 Agreement.

ARTICLE 16

Regulatory measures restricting trade

Each Party shall refrain from nullifying or impairing the market access benefits accruing to the other Party under this Annex through other regulatory measures specific to the sector covered by this Annex. This is without prejudice to the right to adopt regulatory measures necessary for safety, environmental protection or public health and the prevention of deceptive practices, provided that such measures are based on substantiated scientific or technical information and that the relevant cooperation provided for in this Annex has been undertaken in good faith.

ARTICLE 17

Joint cooperation

1. In order to further facilitate trade in motor vehicles, their parts and equipment and to address market access problems before they arise, while ensuring safety and environmental protection, the Parties agree to cooperate on any matters concerning covered products.

2. Each Party shall respond to written and duly substantiated questions and comments by the other Party regarding any aspects concerning covered products. Such response shall be made in writing, in a timely manner and within a time period not exceeding 60 days after the date of receipt of those questions or comments.

3. Following the exchanges referred to in paragraph 2, the Parties shall cooperate to promptly clarify any remaining issues concerning covered products and, where possible, address those issues with a view to seeking a mutually satisfactory solution.

ARTICLE 18

Safeguard

1. During the 10 years following the entry into force of this Agreement, each of the Parties reserves the right to suspend equivalent concessions or other equivalent obligations in the event that the other Party:[1]

   (a) does not apply or ceases applying a UN Regulation as specified in Appendix 2-C-1; or

   (b) introduces or amends any other regulatory measure that nullifies or impairs the benefits of the application of a UN Regulation as specified in Appendix 2-C-1.

2. Suspensions pursuant to paragraph 1 shall remain in force only until a decision is made in accordance with the accelerated dispute settlement procedure referred to in Article 19 of this Annex or a mutually acceptable solution is found, including through consultations under subparagraph (b) of Article 19 of this Annex, whichever is earlier.

ARTICLE 19

Accelerated dispute settlement

Chapter 22 applies to this Annex subject to the following modifications:

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[1] The level of the suspension of concessions or other obligations shall be no more than the level of the amount of the bilateral trade between the Parties of products covered by the UN Regulation referred to in subparagraph 1(a) or (b).