not apply to aspects of a Party's measures that do not conform with an obligation in Chapter 8 (Trade in Services) or Chapter 10 (Investment) to the extent that such measures are adopted or maintained in accordance with:

(a) Article 8.8 (Schedules of Non-Conforming Measures) or Article 10.8 (Reservations and Non-Conforming Measures);

(b) any terms, limitations, qualifications, and conditions specified in a Party's commitments, or are with respect to a sector that is not subject to a Party's commitments, made in accordance with Article 8.6 (Most-Favoured-Nation Treatment) or Article 8.7 (Schedules of Specific Commitments); or

(c) any exception that is applicable to the obligations in Chapter 8 (Trade in Services) or Chapter 10 (Investment).

5. For greater certainty, measures affecting the supply of a service delivered electronically are subject to the obligations contained in the relevant provisions of:

(a) Chapter 8 (Trade in Services); and

(b) Chapter 10 (Investment),

including Annex II (Schedules of Specific Commitments for Services), Annex III (Schedules of Reservations and Non-Conforming Measures for Services and Investment), as well as any exceptions that are applicable to those obligations.

Article 12.4: Cooperation

1. Each Party shall, where appropriate, cooperate to:

(a) work together to assist small and medium enterprises to overcome obstacles in the use of electronic commerce;

(b) identify areas for targeted cooperation between the Parties which will help Parties implement or enhance their electronic commerce legal framework, such as research and training activities, capacity building, and the provision of technical assistance;

(c) share information, experiences, and best practices in addressing challenges related to the development and use of electronic commerce;

(d) encourage business sectors to develop methods or practices that enhance accountability and consumer confidence to foster the use of electronic commerce; and

(e) actively participate in regional and multilateral fora to promote the development of electronic commerce.

2. The Parties shall endeavour to undertake forms of cooperation that build on and do not duplicate existing cooperation initiatives pursued in international fora.

SECTION B
TRADE FACILITATION

Article 12.5: Paperless Trading

1. Each Party shall:

(a) work towards implementing initiatives which provide for the use of paperless trading, taking into account the methods agreed by international organisations including the World Customs Organization;[4]

(b) endeavour to accept trade administration documents submitted electronically as the legal equivalent of the paper version of such trade administration documents; and

(c) endeavour to make trade administration documents available to the public in electronic form.

2. The Parties shall cooperate in international fora to enhance acceptance of electronic versions of trade administration documents.

[4] Cambodia, Lao PDR, and Myanmar shall not be obliged to apply this subparagraph for a period of five years after the date of entry into force of this Agreement.