PROTOCOL ON THE ACCESSION OF
THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND
TO THE COMPREHENSIVE AND PROGRESSIVE AGREEMENT
FOR TRANS-PACIFIC PARTNERSHIP

The Parties to the *Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership*, done at Santiago on 8 March 2018 (the CPTPP) and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (United Kingdom):

RECALLING the provisions of the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement, done at Auckland on 4 February 2016 that are incorporated, by reference, into and made part of the CPTPP *mutatis mutandis* (the TPP as incorporated into the CPTPP);

CONSIDERING that any State or separate customs territory may accede to the CPTPP, subject to such terms and conditions as may be agreed between the Parties and that State or separate customs territory, as set out in Article 5 (Accession) of the CPTPP; and

TAKING NOTE of the Report of the Accession Working Group for the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (the CPTPP) to the Commission in document CPTPP/AWGUK/2023/R001, dated 14 July 2023;

HAVE AGREED as follows:

Section I: General Provisions

Article 1: Accession of the United Kingdom to the CPTPP

1. Upon entry into force of this Protocol pursuant to Article 21 (Entry into Force), the United Kingdom accedes to the CPTPP pursuant to Article 5 (Accession) of the CPTPP and thereby becomes a Party to the CPTPP.

2. This Protocol, including its Annexes and footnotes, shall constitute an integral part of the CPTPP.

3. The CPTPP to which the United Kingdom accedes shall be the CPTPP as rectified, amended or otherwise modified by any legal instruments that are in force on the day on which the United Kingdom becomes a Party to the CPTPP.

Section II: Specific Provisions

Article 2: Provisions Relevant to Chapter 1 (Initial Provisions and General Definitions)

Party-Specific Definitions

1. For the purposes of Article 1.3 (General Definitions) and Annex 1-A (Party-Specific Definitions) of the TPP as incorporated into the CPTPP:

central level of government means, for the United Kingdom, His Majesty's Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. With respect to the provisions of the CPTPP which apply to them, "central level of government" also means the governments of:

(a) the Bailiwick of Guernsey;

(b) the Bailiwick of Jersey; and

(c) the Isle of Man;

customs administration means, for the United Kingdom, His Majesty's Revenue and Customs and if relevant, Border Force and the National Crime Agency. With respect to the provisions of the CPTPP which apply to them, "customs administration" also means:

(a) for the Bailiwick of Guernsey, Guernsey Customs and Excise;

(b) for the Bailiwick of Jersey, the Jersey Customs and Immigration Service; and

(c) for the Isle of Man, the Customs and Excise Division of the Isle of Man Treasury;

existing for the purposes of Article 2.4 (Elimination of Customs Duties), Article 2.5 (Waiver of Customs Duties), Article 2.12 (Import Licensing), Article 8.7 (Transparency), Article 9.7 (Treatment in Case of Armed Conflict or Civil Strife), Article 9.12.1 (Non-Conforming Measures), Article 10.7 (Non-Conforming Measures), Article 11.10 (Non-Conforming Measures), Article 11.20 (Consultations), Article 13.6 including footnote 8 (International Mobile Roaming), Article 17.2 (Scope), Article 20.16 including footnote 19 (Marine Capture Fisheries), Article 20.17 including footnote 22 (Conservation and Trade) and Article 29.4 (Taxation Measures) of the TPP as incorporated into the CPTPP means, for the United Kingdom, in effect on the date of entry into force of this Protocol;

natural person who has the nationality of a Party means, for the United Kingdom, a British citizen in accordance with the applicable laws and regulations of the United Kingdom;

regional level of government means, for the United Kingdom:

(a) England, Northern Ireland, Scotland or Wales; or