Appendix A
Certificates in relation to paragraph 7 of Section 1 of Part 2 of Annex 1

1. For the purposes of paragraph 7 of Section 1 of Part 2 of Annex 1, originating goods classified under tariff item number 1604.14 and indicated with "7" in Column 5 of the Schedule of Japan in Section 3 of Part 2 to Annex 1 of the Agreement shall be accompanied by a certificate of a good for the preferential tariff treatment in accordance with Annex 1 of the Agreement, which is issued by the exporting Party and certifies that the originating goods are produced from the raw materials that do not include skipjack less than 30 centimetres in length.

2. A Catch Certificate issued by the issuing authority of the exporting Party shall serve as a certificate of a good as provided for in paragraph 1 when it:

(a) includes the following information in the field of details identifying the products:

(i) description of the good specified in Column 2 of the tariff line in the Schedule of Japan provided for in Section 3 of Part 2 of Annex 1, in which the originating good referred to in paragraph 1 is classified; and

(ii) invoice number(s) and date(s); and

(b) certifies that the originating goods referred to in paragraph 1 are produced from the raw materials that do not include skipjack less than 30 centimetres in length.

3. A certificate of a good as provided for in paragraph 1 shall be those the details of which are set out in the Operational Procedures for Trade in Goods referred to in Article 27.

4. (a) The competent authority of the importing Party may request the competent authority of the exporting Party to check the authenticity of a certificate of a good provided for in paragraph 1 or the accuracy of the information included in the certificate. Upon such request, the competent authority of the exporting Party shall provide the requested information in a period not exceeding 90 days after the date of receipt of the request.

(b) The customs authority of the importing Party may deny the preferential tariff treatment in accordance with Annex 1 and this Appendix, where:

(i) the competent authority of the exporting Party fails to respond to the request by the competent authority of the importing Party pursuant to subparagraph (a) within 90 days after the date of the receipt of the requests; or

(ii) the information provided by the competent authority of the exporting Party pursuant to subparagraph (a) is not sufficient for determining that the certificate qualifies as the certificate provided for in paragraph 1.

5. The Parties shall review the provisions of this Appendix five years after the entry into force of the Protocol, unless otherwise agreed by the Parties.