

APPENDIX 3

SPECIAL TREATMENT ON BANANAS

1. For the agricultural product originating in Central America under heading 0803.00.19 of the Combined Nomenclature (fresh Bananas, excluding plantains) and listed under category "ST" in the Schedule of the EU Party, the following preferential customs duty shall apply:

Year	Preferential customs duty	Trigger import volume, in tonnes					
	(€/t.)	Costa Rica	Panama	Honduras	Guatemala	Nicaragua	El Salvador
Until 31 December 2010	145	1 025 000	375 000	50 000	50 000	10 000	2 000
1.1-31.12.2011	138	1 076 250	393 750	52 500	52 500	10 500	2 100
1.1-31.12.2012	131	1 127 500	412 500	55 000	55 000	11 000	2 200
1.1-31.12.2013	124	1 178 750	431 250	57 500	57 500	11 500	2 300
1.1-31.12.2014	117	1 230 000	450 000	60 000	60 000	12 000	2 400
1.1-31.12.2015	110	1 281 250	468 750	62 500	62 500	12 500	2 500
1.1-31.12.2016	103	1 332 500	487 500	65 000	65 000	13 000	2 600
1.1-31.12.2017	96	1 383 750	506 250	67 500	67 500	13 500	2 700
1.1-31.12.2018	89	1 435 000	525 000	70 000	70 000	14 000	2 800
1.1-31.12.2019	82	1 486 250	543 750	72 500	72 500	14 500	2 900
1.1.2020 and after	75	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable	not applicable

2. The preferential customs duties indicated in the table above shall apply from the date of entry into force of the Agreement onwards. The duties shall not be retroactively reduced.

3. In 2019, the Parties shall examine the improvement of tariff liberalisation of bananas.

4. A stabilisation clause shall be based on the following elements:

- (a) A trigger import volume is set for imports from the Republics of the CA Party for each of the years during the transition period as indicated in the above table. The trigger volume shall apply to individual Republics of the CA Party as stipulated in the table above;
- (b) Once this trigger volume is met during a calendar year, the EU Party may temporarily suspend the preferential customs duty set out in the table above for a period of time not exceeding three months, and not going beyond the end of the calendar year;
- (c) In case it suspends said preferential customs duty, the EU Party shall apply the least of the base rate (as indicated in its Schedule) or the MFN duty that will be applied at the time this action will be taken;
- (d) In case it applies the actions mentioned above under paragraphs (b) and (c), the EU Party shall immediately enter into consultations with the Republics of the CA Party to analyse and evaluate the situation on the basis of factual available data;
- (e) The measures mentioned above under paragraphs (b) or (c) shall be applicable only during the transition period.