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**CHAPTER NINETEEN**  
**ADMINISTRATION OF THE AGREEMENT**

ARTICLE 19.1: CONTACT POINTS

1. Each Party shall designate a contact point or points to facilitate communications between the Parties on any matter covered by this Agreement.
2. On the request of the other Party, the contact points shall identify the office or official responsible for the matter and assist, as necessary, in facilitating communications with the requesting Party.

ARTICLE 19.2: JOINT COMMITTEE

1. The Parties hereby establish a Joint Committee to supervise the implementation of this Agreement and to review the trade relationship between the Parties.
  - (a) The Joint Committee shall be composed of government officials of each Party and shall be chaired by (i) the Office of the United States Trade Representative and (ii) the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Kingdom of Morocco.
  - (b) The Joint Committee may establish and delegate responsibilities to *ad hoc* and standing subcommittees or working groups and seek the advice of interested persons.
  - (c) The Joint Committee shall determine the responsibilities and objectives of such subcommittees or working groups and supervise their work.
2. The Joint Committee shall:
  - (a) review the general functioning of this Agreement;
  - (b) review and consider specific matters related to the operation and implementation of this Agreement in the light of its objectives;
  - (c) facilitate the avoidance and settlement of disputes arising under this Agreement, including through consultations pursuant to Chapter Twenty (Dispute Settlement);
  - (d) consider and adopt any amendment to this Agreement or other modification to the commitments therein, subject to completion of necessary domestic legal procedures by each Party;
  - (e) consider ways to further enhance trade relations between the Parties and to further the objectives of this Agreement, including through further cooperation and assistance; and

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- (f) take such other action as the Parties may agree.
3. The Joint Committee shall establish its own rules of procedure. All decisions of the Joint Committee shall be taken by consensus.
  4. Unless the Parties otherwise agree, the Joint Committee shall convene
    - (a) in regular session every year, with such sessions to be held alternately in the territory of each Party; and
    - (b) in special session within 30 days of the request of a Party, with such special sessions to be held in the territory of the other Party or at such location as may be agreed by the Parties.
  5. Recognizing the importance of openness and transparency, the Parties reaffirm their respective practices of considering the views of members of the public in order to draw upon a broad range of perspectives in the implementation of this Agreement.
  6. Each Party shall treat any confidential information exchanged in relation to a meeting of the Joint Committee on the same basis as the Party providing the information.