

AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA
AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA
ON TRADE AND COMMERCE

THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA (hereinafter referred to collectively as "Parties" and individually as "Party"),

CONVINCED that the development of bilateral trade in goods and services will contribute to increased mutual understanding and cooperation between the people of Canada and of the Republic of Armenia;

CONSCIOUS that trade and commercial relations are essential elements of the bilateral relationship between Canada and the Republic of Armenia;

RECOGNIZING that the economic restructuring and progress towards a market-based economy in the Republic of Armenia is creating additional possibilities for expanded bilateral trade;

REAFFIRMING their desire to further expand commercial relations in accordance with the principles and conditions of the Final Act signed in Helsinki on August 1, 1975 and other documents of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe, notably the Document of the Bonn Conference on Economic Cooperation convened in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Concluding Document of the Vienna Meeting of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe;

NOTING Canada's status as a Member of the World Trade Organization (WTO);

LOOKING FORWARD to the accession of the Republic of Armenia to the *Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization* (WTO Agreement) on terms to be agreed between the Republic of Armenia and the WTO Members;

REFERRING TO the *Long Term Agreement to Facilitate Economic, Industrial, Scientific and Technical Cooperation* done in Ottawa on July 14, 1976, the *Agreement for the Avoidance of Double Taxation on Income* done in Moscow on June 13, 1985 and the *Agreement for the Promotion and Reciprocal Protection of Investments* done in Moscow on November 20, 1989;

HAVE AGREED as follows: