

**Annex 8-A**

**Customary International Law**

The Parties confirm their shared understanding that “customary international law” generally and as specifically referenced in Article 8.5 results from a general and consistent practice of States that they follow from a sense of legal obligation. With regard to Article 8.5, the customary international law minimum standard of treatment of aliens refers to all customary international law principles that protect the investments of aliens.