

PART THREE

Procedures for Review of Obligations

Article 11: Ministerial Consultations

1. A Party may request in writing consultations with the other Party at the ministerial level regarding any obligation under this Agreement.
2. The Party that is the object of the request shall respond within 60 days, or within such other period as the Parties may agree.
3. To facilitate discussion of the matters under consideration and assist in arriving at a mutually satisfactory resolution:
 - (a) each Party shall provide the other with sufficient information in its possession to allow a full examination of the matters raised, subject to any domestic legislation regarding confidential personal and commercial information;
 - (b) either Party may call upon one or more independent experts to prepare a report. The Parties shall make every effort to agree upon the selection of the expert or experts and cooperate with the expert or experts in the preparation of the report. Any report shall be made public within 60 days of its receipt by the Parties, along with any joint statement by the Parties.
4. Ministerial consultations shall be concluded no later than 180 days after the request unless the Parties agree to another date.

Article 12: Establishment of Review Panel

1. The Party that requested the Ministerial Consultations may request that a review panel be established if it considers the consultations have not satisfactorily addressed the matter and that:
 - (a) the matter is trade-related; and