

Appendix II

Chapter C *ter*

Technical Barriers to Trade

Article C *ter*-01: Scope

1. (a) This Chapter applies to the preparation, adoption and application of standards, technical regulations, and conformity assessment procedures of any national and provincial government body that may affect the trade in goods between the Parties.
- (b) Each Party shall take reasonable measures as may be available to it to ensure compliance by provincial government bodies with this Chapter.
2. This Chapter does not apply to:
 - (a) a purchasing specification prepared by a governmental body for production or consumption requirements of such bodies; or
 - (b) sanitary and phytosanitary measures.

Article C *ter*-02: Incorporation of the TBT Agreement

The TBT Agreement, excluding Articles 10, 11, 12, 13, 14.1, 14.4 and 15, is hereby incorporated into and made part of this Chapter, *mutatis mutandis*.

Article C *ter*-03: Joint Cooperation

1. The Parties shall strengthen their joint cooperation in the areas of technical regulations, standards, and conformity assessment procedures in order to facilitate trade between the Parties. In particular, the Parties shall seek to identify bilateral initiatives that are appropriate for particular issues or sectors, including initiatives for cooperation on:
 - (a) convergence or equivalence of technical regulations and standards;
 - (b) alignment with international standards;
 - (c) reliance on a supplier's declaration of conformity; and