- (3) Each Contracting Party shall grant investors of the other Contracting Party, as regards their management, use, enjoyment or disposal of their investments or returns in its territory, treatment no less favourable than that which it grants to investors of any third State.
- (4) Each Contracting Party shall, to the extent possible and in accordance with its laws and regulations, grant to investments or returns of investors of the other Contracting Party a treatment no less favourable than that which it grants to investments or returns of its own investors.

## ARTICLE IV

## Exceptions

The provisions of this Agreement shall not be construed so as to oblige one Contracting Party to extend to the investors of the other Contracting Party the benefits of any treatment, preference or privilege resulting from:

- (a) any existing or future agreement establishing a free trade area or customs union;
- (b) any multilateral agreement for mutual economic assistance, integration or cooperation to which either of the Contracting Parties is or may become a party;
- (c) any bilateral convention, including any customs agreement, in force on the date of entry into force of this Agreement which contains provisions similar to those contained in paragraph (b) above; or
- (d) any existing or future convention relating to taxation.