

PART C

Final Provisions

ARTICLE 9

Future Discussions

1. The Parties shall, within 12 months of the entry into force of this Agreement, enter into discussions to explore an agreement that would expand, on a reciprocal basis, commitments with respect to market access for government procurement.
2. Recognizing the important trade relationship between the Parties and the value of reciprocal market access in government procurement, where a Party requests expedited consultations on any matter related to government procurement, the other Party shall promptly engage in such consultations, which shall commence no later than 10 days after the request has been made.

ARTICLE 10

Consultations

1. The Parties shall at all times endeavour to agree on the interpretation and application of this Agreement, and shall make every attempt to arrive at a mutually satisfactory resolution of any matter that might affect its operation.
2. Either Party may request consultations with the other Party with respect to any matter affecting the operation or interpretation of this Agreement. If a Party requests consultations with regard to a matter, the other Party shall afford adequate opportunity for consultations and shall reply promptly to the request for consultations and enter into consultations in good faith.
3. The requesting Party may request that the other Party make available personnel of its government agencies or other regulatory bodies who have expertise in the matter subject to consultations.
4. The Parties shall make every attempt to arrive at a mutually agreeable resolution through consultations whenever a dispute arises concerning the interpretation of this Agreement or a Party considers that the other Party has failed to carry out its obligations under this Agreement.