

PART ONE

OBJECTIVES

Article 1: Objectives

The objectives of this Agreement are to:

- (a) improve working conditions and living standards in each Party's territory;
- (b) promote, to the maximum extent possible, the labor principles set out in Annex 1;
- (c) encourage cooperation to promote innovation and rising levels of productivity and quality;
- (d) encourage publication and exchange of information, data development and coordination, and joint studies to enhance mutually beneficial understanding of the laws and institutions governing labor in each Party's territory;
- (e) pursue cooperative labor-related activities on the basis of mutual benefit;
- (f) promote compliance with, and effective enforcement by each Party of, its labor law; and
- (g) foster transparency in the administration of labor law.