

ARTICLE 14: RULES OF ORIGIN AND COOPERATION IN CUSTOMS ADMINISTRATION

1. The Parties recognize that the rules regarding eligibility for the preferential tariff treatment afforded by this Agreement, as set out in Article 2 and Annex 2.2, are crucial to the functioning of this Agreement, and each Party shall strive to administer such rules effectively, uniformly, and consistently with the object and purpose of this Agreement and the WTO Agreement.
2. The Parties shall consult as appropriate, through the Joint Committee or through the consultative mechanism established in Article 16:
 - (a) to agree upon the means to cooperate and provide administrative assistance to achieve the commitments in paragraph 1; and
 - (b) to address situations pertaining to claims of preferential treatment under this Agreement for imported goods that do not satisfy the requirements in Annex 2.2.
3. The Parties, within 180 days after the entry into force of this Agreement, shall enter into discussions with a view to developing interpretative and explanatory materials on the implementation of Annex 2.2.