

March 8, 2018

The Honourable

David Parker

Minister for Trade and Export Growth of New Zealand

Depositary of the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership

Dear Minister,

In connection with the signing on March 8, 2018 of the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (hereinafter referred to by its complete denomination or as CPTPP), on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Peru I hereby notify you in your capacity of Depositary of the CPTPP, and to all the signatories of the CPTPP, the following interpretative declaration:

With respect to footnote 17 [Article 9.8.1.(a)] of the Transpacific Partnership Agreement that is incorporated in the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership, the Government of the Republic of Peru declares that the term "public purpose" may be expressed in its internal law by using different terms, such as "public necessity" or "national security".

The Government of the Republic of Peru emphasizes that this statement does not constitute a reservation, since it does not seek in any way to exclude or modify any provision of the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership; instead it is simply an interpretative declaration whose exclusive purpose is to specify the terms that are expressed in the internal law of Peru regarding the abovementioned provision of the CPTPP.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Eduardo Ferreyros Küppers

Minister of Foreign Trade and Tourism

Republic of Peru