ANNEX 3-A

PRODUCT SPECIFIC RULES OF ORIGIN

1. The product specific rule of origin that applies to a particular subheading (6-digit code) is set out immediately adjacent to the subheading.

2. Where a product specific rule of origin is defined using the criterion of a change in tariff classification and it is written to exclude tariff provisions at the level of a chapter, heading or subheading of the HS, it shall be construed to mean that the rule of origin requires that materials classified in those excluded provisions be originating materials for the good to qualify as an originating good.

3. When a subheading is subject to alternative product specific rules of origin, the rule will be considered to be met if a good satisfies one of the alternatives.

4. Section or chapter notes, where applicable, are found at the beginning of the relevant section or at the beginning of each chapter, and are read in conjunction with the product specific rule of origin and may impose further conditions on or provide an alternative to the product specific rule of origin.

5. Reference to weight in the rules of goods provided for in Chapter 1 through 24 of the Harmonized System means dry weight unless otherwise specified in the HS.

6. A requirement of change in tariff classification applies only to non-originating materials.

7. For the purposes of Chapter 39 of the HS, regional polymer content means the proportion by weight of the polymer that was formed or modified in the territories of the Parties.

8. The following definitions shall apply:

   a) **Chapter** means the first two digits in the tariff classification number under the HS;

   b) **Heading** means the first four digits in the tariff classification number under the HS;

   c) **Section** means a section of the HS; and

   d) **Subheading** means the first six digits in the tariff classification number under the HS.

9. For subheadings indicated as “For Future Negotiation”, the preferential tariff treatment under Annex 2-B (Schedules of Tariff Commitments) is not applicable until the Parties agree on the corresponding PSRs, in accordance with Article 3.28 (Future Working Plan).