

NOTIFICATION OF REGIONAL TRADE AGREEMENT

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| 1. Members notifying: Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, Belize, Dominica, the Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, Saint Christopher and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago and the European Communities. |
| 2. Date of notification: 16 October 2008 |
| 3. Notification pursuant to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Article XXIV:7(a) of GATT 1994 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Article V:7(a) of GATS <input type="checkbox"/> Paragraph 4(a) of the Enabling Clause |
| 4. Parties to the Agreement: Antigua and Barbuda, The Commonwealth of the Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, The Commonwealth of Dominica, The Dominican Republic, Grenada, Guyana, Jamaica, Saint Christopher and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and The Grenadines, The Republic of Suriname, The Republic of Trinidad and Tobago, referred to as the 'CARIFORUM States', of the one part, and The Kingdom of Belgium, The Czech Republic, The Kingdom of Denmark, The Federal Republic of Germany, The Republic of Estonia, The Hellenic Republic, The Kingdom of Spain, The French Republic, Ireland, The Italian Republic, The Republic of Cyprus, The Republic of Latvia, The Republic of Lithuania, The Grand Duchy of Luxemburg, The Republic of Hungary, The Republic of Malta, The Kingdom of The Netherlands, The Republic of Austria, The Republic of Poland, The Portuguese Republic, The Republic of Slovenia, The Slovak Republic, The Republic of Finland, The Kingdom of Sweden, The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, The Republic of Bulgaria, Romania and the European Community, of the other part. |
| 5. Date of signature: 15 October 2008 |
| 6. Date of entry into force: Provisional application of the Agreement is expected in November 2008. |
| 7. Brief description of the Agreement: The Agreement establishes a free trade area for trade in goods, within the meaning of Article XXIV (8) (b) of the GATT 1994, and for trade in services, within the meaning of Article V of the GATS. This free trade area will be implemented over a transition period at the end of which (i) duties and other restrictive regulations of commerce will have been eliminated on substantially all the trade between the Parties and (ii) the Parties will have achieved liberalisation in trade in services in a manner compliant with the requirements of Article V(1) of the GATS. The Agreement contains also provisions on Customs and Trade |

Facilitation, Technical Barriers to Trade, Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures, Agriculture and Fisheries, Current Payment and Capital Movements, Competition, Innovation and Intellectual Property, Public Procurement, Environment and Social Aspects, Development Cooperation as well as institutional provisions.

8. Text and related schedules, annexes and protocols are:

submitted to the WTO Secretariat (electronic format)

available from the following official Internet link, pending publication in the Official Journal of the European Union:

http://ec.europa.eu/trade/issues/bilateral/regions/acp/pr220208_en.htm

<http://www.cnm.org>