Protocol on Investment Protection

1. The Parties agree that Articles 8.7 (Most-favoured-nation treatment); 8.10 (Treatment of investors and of covered investments); and 8.12 (Expropriation) of the treaty shall be suspended for 10 years after the signing of the Agreement.

2. Unless other agreements have been negotiated between the Parties, the suspension of above-mentioned articles remains in force after the expiry date determined in Article 1 of this Protocol.

3. The Parties agree that the dispute settlement procedure as laid out in Chapter 8 Section F (Resolution of investment disputes between investors and states) is foreseen as the last resort and can only be accessed after the full exhaustion of domestic legal action.

4. This Protocol constitutes an integral part of the Agreement.