

**DECISION OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE OF THE CENTRAL EUROPEAN FREE
TRADE AGREEMENT**

No. 2 /2013

Adopted on 20 November 2013

Advance Notification of Legislation

The Joint Committee,

Having regard to Annex 1 of the Agreement on the Amendment of and Accession to the Central European Free Trade Agreement, CEFTA 2006 (hereinafter called the "Agreement"), done in Bucharest on 19 December 2006, in particular Article 3 thereof;

Having regard to Article 44, Transparency;

Referring to the Ministerial Conclusions adopted at the Joint Committee Meeting in Tirana on 8 November 2012, reiterating the Parties to refrain from introducing new quantitative restrictions or non-tariff barriers in their mutual trade, and to give priority to those measures least disturbing the functioning of the Agreement in conformity with the Agreement and WTO rules and principles,

Whereas,

With a view of enabling advance notification of new legislation among CEFTA Parties

Has decided as follows:

Article 1

Where a Party is contemplating new legislation in an area of direct relevance to the functioning of the Agreement, and in particular the one which could have elements or, directly or indirectly, effects of quantitative restrictions on imports and exports, it shall inform the Joint Committee on the proposed legislation in question before its adoption so that the legislator of Party concerned may take his decision in full knowledge of the consequences for the functioning of the Agreement.

The notification will be in compliance with the Advance Notification Format attached to the Decision.

This decision shall take effect on the date of its adoption.

Adopted in Sarajevo on 20 November 2013 in the presence of representatives of all CEFTA Parties