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Commission notice concerning the application of the Regional Convention on pan-Euro-Mediterranean preferential rules of origin or the protocols on rules of origin providing for diagonal cumulation between the Contracting Parties to this Convention

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For the purpose of the application of diagonal cumulation of origin among the Contracting Parties ([1]) to the Regional Convention on pan-Euro-Mediterranean preferential rules of origin ([2]) (hereafter referred to as 'the Convention'), the Parties concerned notify each other, through the European Commission, of the origin rules in force with the other Parties.

It is recalled that diagonal cumulation can only be applied if the Parties of final manufacture and of final destination have concluded free trade agreements, containing identical rules of origin, with all the Parties participating in the acquisition of originating status, i.e. with all the Parties from which the materials used originate. Materials originating in a Party which has not concluded an agreement with the Parties of final manufacture and/or of final destination shall be treated as non-originating. Specific examples are given in the Explanatory Notes concerning the pan-Euro-Mediterranean protocols on rules of origin ([3]).

Based on the notifications made by the Parties to the European Commission, the tables attached specify:

Table 1— a simplified overview of cumulation possibilities on 1 August 2018;

Tables 2 and 3— the date from which diagonal cumulation becomes applicable.

In Table 1, an 'X' marks the existence between two partners of a free trade agreement containing rules of origin allowing cumulation based on pan-Euro-Mediterranean model rules of origin. To use diagonal cumulation with a third partner, an 'X' should be present in all the intersection of the table between the three partners.

In Table 2, the dates mentioned refer to:

— the date of application of diagonal cumulation on the basis of Article 3 of Appendix I to the Convention where the free trade agreement concerned refers to the Convention. In that case the date is preceded by '(C)',

— the date of application of the protocols on rules of origin providing for diagonal cumulation attached to the free trade agreement concerned, in other cases.

In Table 3 the dates mentioned refer to the date of application of the protocols on rules of origin providing for diagonal cumulation attached to the free trade agreements between the EU, Turkey and the participants to the EU's Stabilisation and Association Process. Each time a reference to the Convention is made in a free trade agreement between Parties in this table, a date preceded by '(C)' has been added in Table 2.

It is also recalled that materials originating in Turkey covered by the EU-Turkey customs union can be incorporated as originating materials for the purpose of diagonal cumulation between the European Union and the countries participating in the Stabilisation and Association Process with which an origin protocol is in force.

The codes for the Contracting Parties listed in the tables are given here below.

—	European Union	EU		
—	EFTA States:	—	Iceland	IS
		—	Switzerland (including Liechtenstein) ([4])	CH (+ LI)
		—	Norway	NO
—	The Faroe Islands	FO		
—	The participants in the Barcelona Process:	—	Algeria	DZ
		—	Egypt	EG
		—	Israel	IL
		—	Jordan	JO
		—	Lebanon	LB
		—	Morocco	MA
		—	West Bank and Gaza Strip	PS

		—	Syria	SY
		—	Tunisia	TN
—	Turkey	TR		
—	The participants in the EU's Stabilisation and Association Process:	—	Albania	AL
		—	Bosnia and Herzegovina	BA
		—	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	MK ([5])
		—	Montenegro	ME
		—	Serbia	RS
		—	Kosovo ([*1])	KO
—	The Republic of Moldova	MD		
—	Georgia	GE		
—	Ukraine	UA		

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Table 1

Simplified overview of diagonal cumulation possibilities in the pan-Euro-Med zone on 1 August 2018

		EFTA states				Participants in the Barcelona Process										Participants in the EU's Stabilisation and Association Process								
	EU	CH (+ LI)	IS	NO	FO	DZ	EG	IL	JO	LB	MA	PS	SY	TN	TR	AL	BA	KO	ME	MK	RS	MD	GE	UA
EU		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
CH (+ LI)	X		X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X		X	X	X		X	X
IS	X	X		X	X		X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X		X	X	X		X	X
NO	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X		X	X	X		X	X
FO	X	X	X	X											X									
DZ	X																							
EG	X	X	X	X					X		X			X	X									
IL	X	X	X	X					X						X									
JO	X	X	X	X			X	X			X			X	X									
LB		X	X	X																				
MA	X	X	X	X			X		X					X	X									
PS	X																							
SY															X									

TN	X	X	X	X			X		X		X				X									
TR	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X		X		X	X		(*2)	(*2)		(*2)	X	(*2)	X		
AL	X	X	X	X											(*2)		X	X	X	X	X	X		
BA	X	X	X	X											(*2)	X		X	X	X	X	X		
KO	X															X	X		X	X	X	X		
ME	X	X	X	X											(*2)	X	X	X		X	X	X		
MK	X	X	X	X											X	X	X	X	X		X	X		
RS	X	X	X	X											(*2)	X	X	X	X	X		X		
MD	X														X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
GE	X	X	X	X																				
UA		X	X	X																				

Table 2

Date of application of rules of origin providing for diagonal cumulation in the pan-Euro-Med zone

		EFTA states				**Participants in the Barcelona Process**										**Participants in the EU's Stabilisation and Association Process**								
	EU	**CH (+ LI)**	**IS**	**NO**	**FO**	**DZ**	**EG**	**IL**	**JO**	**LB**	**MA**	**PS**	**SY**	**TN**	**TR**	**AL**	**BA**	**KO**	**ME**	**MK**	**RS**	**MD**	**GE**	**UA**
EU		1.1.2006 (C) 1.2.2016	1.1.2006 (C) 1.5.2015	1.1.2006 (C) 1.5.2015	1.12.2005 (C) 12.5.2015	1.11.2007	1.3.2006 (C) 1.2.2016	1.1.2006	1.7.2006		1.12.2005	1.7.2009 (C) 1.3.2016		1.8.2006	(6)	(C) 1.5.2015	(C) 9.12.2016	(C) 1.4.2016	(C) 1.2.2015	(C) 1.5.2015	(C) 1.2.2015	(C) 1.12.2016	(C) 1.6.2018	
CH (+ LI)	1.1.2006 (C) 1.2.2016		1.8.2005 (C) 1.7.2013	1.8.2005 (C) 1.7.2013	1.1.2006		1.8.2007	1.7.2005	17.7.2007	1.1.2007	1.3.2005			1.6.2005	1.9.2007	(C) 1.5.2015	(C) 1.1.2015		(C) 1.9.2012	1.2.2016	(C) 1.5.2015		(C) 1.5.2018	1.6.2012
IS	1.1.2006 (C) 1.5.2015	1.8.2005 (C) 1.7.2013		1.8.2005 (C) 1.7.2013	1.11.2005		1.8.2007	1.7.2005	17.7.2007	1.1.2007	1.3.2005			1.3.2006	1.9.2007	(C) 1.5.2015	(C) 1.1.2015		(C) 1.10.2012	1.5.2015	(C) 1.5.2015		(C) 1.9.2017	1.6.2012
NO	1.1.2006 (C) 1.5.2015	1.8.2005 (C) 1.7.2013	1.8.2005 (C) 1.7.2013		1.12.2005		1.8.2007	1.7.2005	17.7.2007	1.1.2007	1.3.2005			1.8.2005	1.9.2007	(C) 1.5.2015	(C) 1.1.2015		(C) 1.11.2012	1.5.2015	(C) 1.5.2015		(C) 1.9.2017	1.6.2012
FO	1.12.2005 (C) 12.5.2015	1.1.2006	1.11.2005	1.12.2005											(C) 1.10.2017									
DZ	1.11.2007																							
EG	1.3.2006 (C) 1.2.2016	1.8.2007	1.8.2007	1.8.2007					6.7.2006		6.7.2006			6.7.2006	1.3.2007									

IL	1.1.2006	1.7.2005	1.7.2005	1.7.2005					9.2.2006						1.3.2006									
JO	1.7.2006	17.7.2007	17.7.2007	17.7.2007			6.7.2006	9.2.2006			6.7.2006			6.7.2006	1.3.2011									
LB		1.1.2007	1.1.2007	1.1.2007																				
MA	1.12.2005	1.3.2005	1.3.2005	1.3.2005			6.7.2006		6.7.2006					6.7.2006	1.1.2006									
PS	1.7.2009 (C) 1.3.2016																							
SY															1.1.2007									
TN	1.8.2006	1.6.2005	1.3.2006	1.8.2005			6.7.2006		6.7.2006		6.7.2006				1.7.2005									
TR	([6])	1.9.2007	1.9.2007	1.9.2007	(C) 1.10.2017		1.3.2007	1.3.2006	1.3.2011		1.1.2006		1.1.2007	1.7.2005						(C) 1.8.2018		(C) 1.10.2017		
AL	(C) 1.5.2015	(C) 1.5.2015	(C) 1.5.2015	(C) 1.5.2015													(C) 1.2.2015	(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.4.2014		
BA	(C) 9.12.2016	(C) 1.1.2015	(C) 1.1.2015	(C) 1.1.2015												(C) 1.2.2015		(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.2.2015	(C) 1.2.2015	(C) 1.2.2015	(C) 1.4.2014		
KO	(C) 1.4.2016															(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.4.2014		(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.4.2014		
ME	(C) 1.2.2015	(C) 1.9.2012	(C) 1.10.2012	(C) 1.11.2012												(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.2.2015	(C) 1.4.2014		(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.4.2014		
MK	(C) 1.5.2015	1.2.2016	1.5.2015	1.5.2015											(C) 1.8.2018	(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.2.2015	(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.4.2014		(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.4.2014		
RS	(C) 1.2.2015	(C) 1.5.2015	(C) 1.5.2015	(C) 1.5.2015												(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.2.2015	(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.4.2014		(C) 1.4.2014		
MD	(C) 1.12.2016														(C) 1.10.2017	(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.4.2014	(C) 1.4.2014			
GE	(C) 1.6.2018	(C) 1.5.2018	(C) 1.9.2017	(C) 1.9.2017																				
UA		1.6.2012	1.6.2012	1.6.2012																				

Table 3

Date of application of the protocols on rules of origin providing for diagonal cumulation between the European Union, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Turkey

	EU	AL	BA	KO	MK	ME	RS	TR
EU		1.1.2007	1.7.2008	1.4.2016	1.1.2007	1.1.2008	8.12.2009	([7])
AL	1.1.2007		22.11.2007	1.4.2014	26.7.2007	26.7.2007	24.10.2007	1.8.2011
BA	1.7.2008	22.11.2007		1.4.2014	22.11.2007	22.11.2007	22.11.2007	14.12.2011

KO	1.4.2016	1.4.2014	1.4.2014		1.4.2014	1.4.2014	1.4.2014	
MK	1.1.2007	26.7.2007	22.11.2007	1.4.2014		26.7.2007	24.10.2007	1.7.2009
ME	1.1.2008	26.7.2007	22.11.2007	1.4.2014	26.7.2007		24.10.2007	1.3.2010
RS	8.12.2009	24.10.2007	22.11.2007	1.4.2014	24.10.2007	24.10.2007		1.9.2010
TR	(7)	1.8.2011	14.12.2011		1.7.2009	1.3.2010	1.9.2010	

(1) The Contracting Parties are the European Union, Albania, Algeria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Egypt, Faroe Islands, Iceland, Israel, Jordan, Kosovo (under Resolution 1244(1999) of the United Nations Security Council), Lebanon, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Morocco, Norway, Serbia, Switzerland (including Liechtenstein), Syria, Tunisia, Turkey and West Bank and Gaza Strip.

(2) OJ L 54, 26.2.2013, p. 4.

(3) OJ C 83, 17.4.2007, p. 1.

(4) Switzerland and the Principality of Liechtenstein form a customs union.

(5) ISO code 3166. Provisional code which does not prejudge in any way the definitive nomenclature for this country, which will be agreed following the conclusions of negotiations currently taking place under the auspices of the United Nations.

(*1) This designation is without prejudice to positions on status and is in line with UNSCR 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence.

(*2) Diagonal cumulation between Turkey, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro and Serbia is possible. However, plese see Table 3 for the possibility of diagonal cumulation between the European Union, Turkey, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro and Serbia.

(6) For goods covered by the EU-Turkey customs union, the date of application is 27 July 2006.

For agricultural products, the date of application is 1 January 2007.

For coal and steel products, the date of application is 1 March 2009.

(7) For goods covered by the EU-Turkey customs union, the date of application is 27 July 2006.