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EMBASSY OF THE KINGDOM OF THE NETHERLANDS

Riga, the 6th of March, 2014

Note Nr. RIG/14/063

The Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Latvia and has the honour to refer to the Agreement between the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Republic of Latvia on mutual administrative assistance for the proper application of customs law and for the prevention, investigation and combating of customs offences, signed at The Hague on 8 October 1997 (hereinafter referred to as "the Agreement of 1997").

The Government of the Kingdom of the Netherlands proposes that, in accordance with Article 20, paragraphs 2 and 3, of the Agreement of 1997, the application of the Agreement of 1997 shall be extended to Aruba, Curação and Sint Maarten, subject to the following.

- 1. For the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the term "customs administration" in Article 1, paragraph 1, of the Agreement of 1997, shall mean, as regards Aruba, Curação and Sint Maarten, the respective central administrations responsible for the implementation of customs laws.
- 2. Article 2, paragraph 4, of the Agreement of 1997 shall apply only to Aruba, Curação and Sint Maarten as the case may be, insofar as the agreements referred to therein apply to those respective parts of the Kingdom of the Netherlands.
- 3. The requirements of national law in the sense of Articles 15, 16 and the Annex to the Agreement of 1997, as regards Aruba, Curaçao and Sint Maarten, shall fall under the scope of the applicable laws of Aruba, Curaçao and Sint Maarten respectively.

If the foregoing is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Latvia, the Embassy has the further honour to propose that this Note and the Ministry's Note in reply shall constitute an Agreement between the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Republic of Latvia which shall enter into force on the first day of the second month following the date of receipt of the later notification in which one Party informs the other Party that the formalities required for the entry into force have been complied with.

The Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Latvia the assurance of its highest consideration.

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Latvia Riga