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AGREEMENT ON TRADE AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA

PREAMBLE

The Government of the Republic of Turkey and the Government of the Republic of Namibia (hereinafter jointly referred to as "the Parties" and individually as "a Party") on the grounds of equality and mutual benefit,

Desirous of strengthening the friendly relations and to enhance the cooperation between the two countries.

Recognizing that the two countries are members of the World Trade Organization (WTO) and

Considering their interest in promoting trade and economic cooperation on the basis of mutual advantage,

have agreed as follows:

ARTICLE I TRADE AND ECONOMIC COOPERATION

- The Parties undertake, through appropriate measures, to promote and facilitate trade
 and economic co-operation between their countries in accordance with their respective
 domestic law, and subject to obligations under international treaties, conventions and
 agreements to which they are Parties.
- 2. The Parties shall among others encourage cooperation in the following fields:
 - i. Mutual Investment
 - ii. Energy and Mineral Resources
 - iii. Agriculture and Livestock Development
 - iv. Education and Health
 - v. Science and Technology
- 3. For the purpose of providing further expansion of bilateral trade flows and economic activities, the Parties undertake to cooperate on trade related matters such as quality and standard, sanitary and phytosanitary measures, and customs and trade facilitation. The aforementioned cooperation will be defined in each specific case, in a separate arrangement to be concluded between the Parties or the respective institutions of the Parties.

ARTICLE II MOST FAVOURED NATION TREATMENT (MFN)

- The Parties, in conformity with the GATT/WTO obligations and national legislations, shall grant each other the most-favoured-nation treatment with respect to customs duties and other charges in connection with imports and exports of goods between two countries.
- 2. The provision of this Article shall not apply to any existing or future privileges and advantages granted to third countries within the framework of free trade areas, preferential trade agreements, customs unions, other regional agreements and special agreements with developing countries and cross border trade and frontier traffic.

ARTICLE III TRADE FACILITATION

- 1. The Parties shall encourage their respective enterprises and organizations to the extent possible to take part in exhibitions, fairs and other promotional activities as well as to promote the exchange of trade delegations and business representatives.
- 2. Each Party shall facilitate, as far as possible, organization of national exhibitions of the other party in its territory.
- 3. The implementation of agreed projects relating to the economic and commercial cooperation within the framework of this Agreement shall be realized on the basis of contracts or arrangements to be signed between the interested enterprises, organizations or public institutions of the two countries.

ARTICLE IV MODE OF PAYMENT

All payments for goods and services to be exchanged between the Parties shall be made in freely convertible currencies, in accordance with the foreign exchange laws and regulations in force in each respective country.

ARTICLE V TEMPORARY IMPORTATION

The Parties, in accordance with their national legislation in force, agree to exempt from customs duties, the goods and equipments imported temporarily for use in trade promotional events such as fairs, exhibitions, missions and seminars, provided that such goods and equipment are not subject to commercial transactions and will be re-exported after exhibition.

ARTICLE VI DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION

The Parties, aiming to improve and diversify the bilateral trade and develop economic cooperation between the two countries, agree to facilitate and accelerate the exchange of information, particularly concerning their respective legislations and economic programmes, to encourage contacts between their companies and organizations involved in trade and economic cooperation.

ARTICLE VII JOINT TRADE AND ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

- 1. The Namibia-Turkish Joint Trade and Economic Committee is hereby established (the Committee) at a ministerial level, the function of which will be to promote and facilitate trade and economic cooperation between the Parties.
- 2. The Committee shall oversee the fulfillment of this Agreement and make the necessary proposals for the purpose of promoting and developing trade and economic cooperation between the two parties.
- 3. The Committee shall convene upon the requests of either Party, alternately in Turkey or Namibia.

ARTICLE VIII COMPLIANCE WITH STANDARDS

Cooperation between the Parties within the framework of this Agreement shall be realized in accordance with the laws, rules and regulations in force and voluntary standards applicable in their respective countries and shall be compatible with their national and international obligations and standards.

ARTICLE IX DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Any dispute between the Parties relating to the interpretation or implementation of this Agreement shall be resolved amicably without unreasonable delay, through consultations and negotiations between the Parties.

ARTICLE X AMENDMENTS

This Agreement may be amended at any time by mutual written consent of the Parties. The amendments shall enter into force upon the completion of the internal legal procedures required of both Parties in accordance with Article XI of this agreement.