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**AGREEMENT
BETWEEN CANADA AND THE EUROPEAN UNION
ON CUSTOMS COOPERATION
WITH RESPECT TO MATTERS
RELATED TO SUPPLY-CHAIN SECURITY**

CANADA and THE EUROPEAN UNION, (the "Contracting Parties"),

RECOGNIZING the need to increase end-to-end supply-chain security for Canada and the European Union and at the same time facilitate legitimate trade;

ACKNOWLEDGING the long-standing, close and productive relations between the Customs Authorities of Canada and of the European Union;

RECOGNIZING that these relations can be improved by closer cooperation on container security and other matters related to supply-chain security based, to the greatest extent practicable, on mutual recognition of risk management techniques, risk standards, security controls and trade partnership programmes;

AIMING to provide a framework to explore future cooperative means to enhance supply-chain security practices that would increase customs related efficiencies to ensure end-to-end supply-chain security and to facilitate legitimate trade for the benefit of their respective trade communities;

AIMING to develop a strategy that allows Canada and the European Union to cooperate in the area of cargo inspection;

BUILDING upon the core elements of the World Customs Organization's SAFE Framework of Standards to Secure and Facilitate Global Trade;

REFERRING to the Agreement between Canada and the European Community on Customs Cooperation and Mutual Assistance in Customs Matters, which entered into force on 1 January 1998 (the "CMAA"), and desiring to expand the scope of that Agreement by means of an agreement on a specific matter, in accordance with Article 23 of the CMAA;

ACKNOWLEDGING that a Joint Customs Cooperation Committee (the "JCCC") was established under Article 20 of the CMAA to see to the proper functioning of the CMAA and, inter alia, take the measures necessary for customs cooperation in accordance with the objectives of the CMAA and for the expansion of the CMAA with a view to increasing the level of customs cooperation and supplementing it on specific sectors or matters;

HAVE AGREED ON THE FOLLOWING:

ARTICLE 1

For the purpose of this Agreement, "Customs Authority" means:

- in the European Union: the competent services of the European Commission and the customs authorities of the Member States of the European Union;
- in Canada: the governmental administration designated by Canada as responsible for administering its customs laws.

ARTICLE 2

The Contracting Parties shall cooperate on matters of supply-chain security and related risk management.

ARTICLE 3

The Contracting Parties shall manage this cooperation through their respective Customs Authorities.