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## AGREEMENT' BETWEEN THE BELGO-LUXEMBURG ECONOMIC UNION AND THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS ON INTERNATIONAL ROAD TRANSPORT

The Kingdom of Belgium, acting both in its own name and in the name of the Grand Duchy of Luxemburg by virtue of existing agreements, and

The Republic of Cyprus,

Hereinafter called "the Contracting Parties";

Desirous of promoting in the interest of their economic relations the development of transport of goods by road between their countries and in transit across their territories;

Having decided to conclude an Agreement with the object of consolidating existing facilities and creating additional facilities;

Have agreed as follows:

- Article 1. Each of the Contracting Parties shall allow any carrier established in the territory of the other Contracting Party and authorized to effect international transport of goods by road according to the laws and regulations in force in the territory of the other Contracting Party, to carry out without any special licence transport of goods:
- a. Between any point in its territory and any point outside that territory;
- b. In transit through its own territory.
- Article 2. Nothing in this Agreement shall be held to permit carriers established in the territory of one of the Contracting Parties to carry goods which are loaded at any point in the territory of the other Contracting Party to any other point in the same territory.
- Article 3. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, carriers established in the territory of one of the Contracting Parties have to comply with the laws and regulations in force in the territory of the other Contracting Party.
- Article 4. In the event of any infringement of the provisions of this Agreement by a carrier, established in the territory of one of the Contracting Parties, the Contracting Party in whose territory the infringement occurred may notify the other Contracting Party, which will take such steps as are provided by its laws and regulations.
- Article 5. 1. Motor road vehicles registered in the territory of one of the Contracting Parties, and also the trailers and semi-trailers coming from that territory, which are temporarily imported in the course of transport covered by this Agreement into the territory of the other Contracting Party, shall be exempted from the taxes and charges levied on the circulation or possession of vehicles in the territory of the other Contracting Party.

This exemption shall not extend to taxes and charges on fuel.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Came into force on 21 August 1984, the date on which the Contracting Parties informed each other (on 13 April 1983 and on 21 August 1984) of the completion of their constitutional requirements, in accordance with article 10 (1).

- 2. Road transport of goods covered by the Agreement and effected by carriers of one of the Contracting Parties in the territory of the other Contracting Party is exempted, in the territory of the other Contracting Party, from taxes and charges.
- Article 6. 1. Motor road vehicles registered in the territory of one of the Contracting Parties, and also the road trailers and semi-trailers coming from that territory, which are utilized for the transport covered by this Agreement shall be admitted temporarily in the territory of the other Contracting Party without payment of import duties and import taxes and free of import prohibitions and restrictions, subject to re-exportation. The exemption shall extend to normal spare parts, accessories and equipment imported with the mentioned vehicles and re-exported with them.
- 2. Lubricants and fuel contained in the normal supply tanks directly connected to the feeding system of the engine of the temporarily imported vehicles, shall be admitted without payment of import duties and import taxes and free of import prohibitions and restrictions.
- 3. Component parts imported for the repair of a particular vehicle already temporarily imported and also empty vehicles imported for the replacement of already temporarily imported units which have become unserviceable, shall be temporarily admitted without payment of import duties and import taxes and free of import prohibitions and restrictions. The Contracting Parties may require these parts to be covered by temporary importation papers. Replaced parts shall be cleared, re-exported or destroyed under the control of the Customs authorities of the Contracting Parties.
- Article 7. If the weights or dimensions of a vehicle or combination of vehicles registered in the territory of one of the Contracting Parties when engaged in international transport under the provisions of this Agreement exceed the permissible maximum in the territory of the other Contracting Party a special permit of the competent authority of that Contracting Party is required.
- Article 8. The provisions of this Agreement are equally applicable to the transport of goods on own account.
- Article 9. 1. The competent authorities of the two Contracting Parties shall regulate all questions regarding the implementation and the application of this Agreement.
- 2. For this purpose the Contracting Parties shall establish a Joint Committee.
- 3. The Joint Committee shall meet at the request of either Contracting Party.
- Article 10. 1. This Agreement shall enter into force on the date on which the Contracting Parties have informed each other that their constitutional requirements have been fulfilled.
- 2. This Agreement shall remain in force for one year after the date of its entry into force and shall be tacitly extended from year to year unless denounced by either of the Contracting Parties six months before its validity expires.

In witness whereof the undersigned, being duly authorized thereto, have signed this Agreement.

DONE in duplicate at Brussels, this day of February 14, 1983, in the English language.

For the Belgo-Luxemburg Economic Union: [Signed] L. TINDEMANS

For the Government of the Republic of Cyprus: [Signed] N. Agathocleous