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**Committee on Regional Trade Agreements**

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## **FREE TRADE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF POLAND AND THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA**

### Additional Protocol

#### *Communication from the Parties*

The following communication has been received from the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Poland with the request that it be distributed to WTO Members.

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Pursuant to the provisions of Article XXIV:7(a) of the GATT 1994 and the Understanding on the Interpretation of Article XXIV of GATT 1994 and with reference to the communication made by the delegation of the Republic of Poland, on behalf of Poland and the Republic of Lithuania, on 30 December 1997 (WT/REG49/N/1 of 15 January 1998), I have the honour to inform you, on behalf of the Republic of Poland and the Republic of Lithuania, that the Additional Protocol No.1<sup>1</sup> to the Free Trade Agreement between the Republic of Poland and the Republic of Lithuania, has been signed in Vilnius on 8 May 1998.

Although the Additional Protocol No.1 is subject to ratification, the Parties have agreed that it would be provisionally applied as from 1 July 1998, what took place and the Additional Protocol No.1 is provisionally applied as from that date.

According to Article 1 and Article 2 of the Additional Protocol 1, original Protocol No.1 to the Free Trade Agreement and Annexes to it as well as original Protocol No.3 and Annexes to it are replaced by the new Additional Protocol No.1 and Annexes to it.

The Additional Protocol No.1 to the Free Trade Agreement constitutes an integral part of the Free Trade Agreement between the Republic of Poland and the Republic of Lithuania.

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<sup>1</sup> The Additional Protocol No.1 referred to in this communication has been submitted to the Secretariat for consultation by interested Members (Office 3006).