

## CHAPTER 24

### FINAL PROVISIONS

#### ARTICLE 24.1

##### General review

Without prejudice to the provisions concerning review in other Chapters, the Parties shall undertake a general review of the implementation and operation of this Agreement in the 10th year following the date of entry into force of this Agreement, or at such times as may be agreed by the Parties.

#### ARTICLE 24.2

##### Amendments

1. This Agreement may be amended by agreement between the Parties.
2. Such amendments shall enter into force on the first day of the second month, or on such later date as may be agreed by the Parties, following the date on which the Parties notify each other that their respective applicable legal requirements and procedures for entry into force of such amendments have been completed. The Parties shall make such notification through an exchange of diplomatic notes between the Governments of the Parties.
3. In accordance with the respective domestic legal procedures of the Parties, the Joint Committee may adopt decisions to amend this Agreement in the instances referred to in paragraph 4.
4. Notwithstanding paragraph 2, such amendments shall enter into force by an exchange of diplomatic notes between the Governments of the Parties, unless otherwise agreed by the Parties.

4. Paragraph 3 shall apply to:
- (a) Annex 2-A, provided that the amendments are made in accordance with the amendment of the Harmonized System and include no change on the rates of customs duty to be applied by a Party to the originating goods of the other Party in accordance with Annex 2-A;
  - (b) Annex 2-C, Appendices 2-C-1 and 2-C-2;
  - (c) Annex 2-D;
  - (d) Annex 2-E;
  - (e) Chapter 3, Annexes 3-A to 3-E and Appendix 3-B-1;
  - (f) Annex 10;
  - (g) Annex 14-A;
  - (h) Annex 14-B; and
  - (i) provisions of this Agreement referring to provisions of international agreements or incorporating them into this Agreement, in case of amendments or successor agreements thereto.

## ARTICLE 24.3

### Entry into force

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date to be agreed upon by the Parties after the completion of their respective applicable legal requirements and procedures for the entry into force of this Agreement. Such date shall be no sooner than the date on which the EU-Japan EPA ceases to apply to the United Kingdom and shall be identified in an exchange of diplomatic notes between the Governments of the Parties, which notifies each other of the aforementioned completion.

## ARTICLE 24.4

### Termination

1. This Agreement shall remain in force unless terminated pursuant to paragraph 2.
2. Either Party may notify in writing the other Party of its intention to terminate this Agreement. The termination shall take effect six months after the date of receipt by the other Party of the notification, unless otherwise agreed by the Parties.

## ARTICLE 24.5

### No direct effect on persons

Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed as conferring rights or imposing obligations on persons, without prejudice to the rights and obligations of persons under other public international law.

## ARTICLE 24.6

### Annexes, appendices, protocol and footnotes

The Annexes, Appendices and Protocol on Mutual Recognition to this Agreement shall form an integral part of this Agreement. For greater certainty, the footnotes shall also form an integral part of this Agreement.

## ARTICLE 24.7

### Authentic texts

This Agreement is drawn up in duplicate in the English and Japanese languages, both texts being equally authentic, except for Part 2 of Annex 2-A, Schedules of the United Kingdom in Annexes I to IV to Annex 8-B and Section A of Part 2 of Annex 10, which are drawn up in duplicate in the English language.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, duly authorised to this effect, have signed this Agreement.

DONE at Tokyo on the twenty-third day of October in the year two thousand and twenty.

For the United Kingdom  
of Great Britain  
and Northern Ireland:

LIZ TRUSS

For Japan:

MOTEGI TOSHIMITSU