



Autonomous trade preferences

The providing of EU Council Regulation No. 55/2008 of 21 January 2008 on the introduction of autonomous trade preferences for the Republic of Moldova, by the European Union of the Autonomous Trade Preferences (ATP), after the approval by the EU Council, has conditioned the need to create a mechanism for the distribution of tariff quotas to the products originating in the Republic of Moldova for which have been established tariff quotas. In this respect, the Government Decision no. 262 of 07.03.2008 on the administration of tariffs quotas on export of goods in the European Union, which proposes the establishment of an export quota distribution system based on the production volume of the exporting enterprises and / or their capacity to capitalize on the offered quotas.

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Free Trade Zone with UE

The RM-EU Free Trade Agreement implies the gradual liberalization of trade in goods and services, free movement of the workforce, reduction of customs duties, technical and non-tariff barriers, abolition of quantitative restrictions and harmonization of Moldovan legislation at Acquis UE.

Thus, DCFTA (Deep and Comprehensive Free Trade Area between the Republic of Moldova and the European Union) is part of the European Association Agreement and brings additional economic benefits for the Republic of Moldova.

Unlike the current RM-EU trade regime (ATP), which is a unilateral regime granted by the EU for a limited period - DCFTA will be a multilateral agreement concluded for an unlimited period, offering higher export benefits than ATP and a long-term predictability for business and investment.

Between 31 May and 2 June 2010, took place the European Commission's Evaluation Mission on DCFTA.

In the framework of this evaluation mission, the European Commission (EC) experts aimed to obtain a clear picture of the institutional and legislative capacity to negotiate and implement the DCFTA on a number of primordial sectors such as: sanitary and phytosanitary measures; trade in goods and services; technical, tariff and non-tariff barriers; intellectual property rights; public procurement, trade facilitation; customs administration; financial services and competition.

The result of EC Evaluation Mission has presented the official recommendations on 26 October 2010.

Based on these recommendations, the Ministry of Economy as the coordinating body of the preparation process for the launch of the future DCFTA negotiations, strengthened joint efforts with all responsible institutions (MFAEI, MAFI MF, SV, APP, AGEPI, BR, ANPC, NBM; NBS, CNPF, the State Chancellery, etc.) and the EC High Level Experts from the nominated institutions elaborated the Action Plan for the implementation of the Recommendations of the European Commission for the Deep and Comprehensive Free Trade Area between the Republic of Moldova and the European Union (DCFTA).

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