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NOTIFICATION OF REGIONAL TRADE AGREEMENT

1. Member(s) notifying: Papua New Guinea and the European Union
2. Date of notification: 18 October 2011
3. Notification pursuant to <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Article XXIV:7(a) of GATT 1994 <input type="checkbox"/> Article V:7(a) of GATS <input type="checkbox"/> Paragraph 4(a) of the Enabling Clause
4. Parties to the Agreement: Papua New Guinea, Fiji of the one part, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Germany, Estonia, Greece, Spain, France, Ireland, Italy, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxemburg, Hungary, Malta, Netherlands, Austria, Poland, Portugal, Slovenia, Slovak Republic, Finland, Sweden, United Kingdom, Bulgaria, Romania and the European Union, of the other part.
5. Date of signature: Papua New Guinea and the European Union signed on 30 July 2009, Fiji on 11 December 2009
6. Date(s) of entry into Force: The Agreement entered into provisional application for Papua New Guinea and the European Union on 20 December 2009. The application of this Agreement by Fiji is still pending.
7. Brief description of the Agreement: The Agreement establishes a free trade area for trade in goods, within the meaning of Article XXIV(8)(b) of the GATT 1994. This free trade area will be implemented over a transition period at the end of which duties and other restrictive regulations of commerce will have been eliminated on substantially all the trade between the Parties. The Agreement also contains provisions on Customs and Trade Facilitation, Technical Barriers to Trade, Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures, a Dispute Settlement Mechanism as well as institutional provisions.

8. Text and related schedules, annexes and protocols are:

submitted to the WTO Secretariat (electronic format)

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