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**Council for Trade in Services** 

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## **NOTIFICATION OF REGIONAL TRADE AGREEMENT**

1.	Member(s) notifying: Montenegro and Türkiye
2.	Date of notification: 11 July 2023
3.	Notification pursuant to
	[] Article XXIV:7(a) of GATT 1994
	[X] Article V:7(a) of GATS
	[] Paragraph 4(a) of the Enabling Clause
4.	Parties to the Agreement: Montenegro of the one part;
	and Türkiye of the other part.
5.	Date of signature: 17 July 2019
6.	Date(s) of entry into Force: 01 July 2022
7.	Brief description of the Agreement:
	The Free Trade Agreement between Türkiye and Montenegro was signed in 26 November 2008. Under the FTA, both Parties eliminated customs duties on imports of all industrial products.
	Protocol I and Protocol III for the expansion of scope of the Agreement to trade in services and additional agricultural concessions were signed in 17 July 2019.
	With the Protocol I the Parties provided concessions on agricultural products such as meat, fruits, vegetables, chocolates, pasta, cheese, wheat, and mushrooms within the ${\sf FTA}$ . <sup>1</sup>
	With the Protocol III, provisions related to areas such as temporary movement of natural persons, telecommunication services, e-commerce, financial services, co-production of films and TV series have been included to the FTA.
	Domestic procedures for ratification of the Protocols were completed and they came into effect from 1 July 2022.
8.	Text and related schedules, annexes and protocols are:
	[ ] submitted to the WTO Secretariat (electronic format)
	[X] available from the following official Internet link(s):
	Türkiye: <a href="https://ticaret.gov.tr/dis-iliskiler/serbest-ticaret-anlasmalari/yururlukte-bulunan-stalar/karadag">https://ticaret.gov.tr/dis-iliskiler/serbest-ticaret-anlasmalari/yururlukte-bulunan-stalar/karadag</a>
	Montenegro: https://www.gov.me/dokumenta/3013ac8c-6315-4e9b-a36b-ad4c6d3afeb6

 $<sup>^1</sup>$  This is of relevance for the following document series: WT/REG282. Changes affecting the implementation of the goods related aspects of this Agreement are reflected through the circulation of a notification of changes (WT/REG282/N/1/Add.1).