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the Council**

## ANNEX

### **‘Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, and their Member States of the one part, and the Republic of Moldova, of the other part**

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| Date of Application                   | 04/10/2025  |
| Other mechanisms                      |   |
| Provisions contained in the Agreement | <p>Annex XV – E</p> <p>Article 2 – Production standards</p> <p>‘1. Moldova shall align its legislation to the Union legislation listed in Appendix B to this Annex by 31 December 2027.’</p> <p>‘5. If, notwithstanding paragraph 4, the Commission cannot conclude that Moldova has met its obligation under paragraph 1, the Union may suspend all or part of the preferences granted pursuant to Article 1 for relevant products. The Union shall, without delay, deliver to Moldova a notification setting out its intention to suspend preferences. The suspension may not apply earlier than 30 days after the date of the delivery of the notification to Moldova.</p> <p>6. At Moldova’s request and following the delivery of new information, the Commission shall review Moldova’s compliance with paragraph 1 with respect to the relevant Union legislation. The review shall take no longer than four weeks and may involve consultations between the Parties. If the Commission concludes that Moldova has complied with paragraph 1, the Union shall reintroduce the suspended part of the preferences under Article 1 within two months.’</p> <p>Article 3 – Safeguard measures</p> <p>‘1. If serious economic, societal or environmental difficulties of a sectoral or regional nature, liable to persist have arisen or threaten to arise in either Party, including in the case of the Union in one or several Member States, as result of imports of a product covered by the additional liberalisation under Article 1, the Party concerned may take appropriate safeguard measures with respect to the preferences granted under Article 1.</p> <p>2. The Party concerned shall, without delay, notify the other Party of its intention to take safeguard measures and shall provide all relevant information. The Parties shall immediately enter into consultations with a view to finding a mutually acceptable solution.</p> <p>3. The Party concerned may not take safeguard measures until one month has elapsed after the date of notification under paragraph 2, unless the consultation procedure under paragraph 2 has been concluded before the expiration of the stated time limit. When exceptional circumstances requiring immediate action exclude prior examination, the Party concerned may immediately apply the safeguard measures strictly necessary to remedy the situation.’</p> |

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