PROTOCOL DECISION
ON HARMONIZATION OF TAX AND CUSTOMS LEGISLATION

16 May 2001 Tiraspol

Being guided by the provisions of the Joint Statement by the Heads of Republic of Moldova and Transdniestria on 9 April 2001, of Memorandum On the Bases for Normalization of Relations Between the Republic of Moldova and Transdneistria on 8 May 1997, of the Joint Statement of Participants in the Kiev Meeting on Issues of Normalization of Relations between the Republic of Moldova and Transdniestria on16 July 1999 and with a view to create the necessary conditions for real improvement of economic situation, for prosperity growth of the population the Parties have agreed as follows:

1. To accept as a basis tax and customs legislation for regulation by Parties of import-export transactions taking into account the requirements of World Trade Organization and World Customs Organization, as well as the requirements of CIS and European Community legislation.

   To create the expert working group on studying legislations and introducing proposals till 15 June 2001 with regard to amandments to tax and customs legislation of the Parties.

2. To bring to conformity till 31 December 2001 the legislations of the Parties with the procedure of free passing for natural persons, as well as for goods and services throughout the territory of the Republic of Moldova and Transniestria, after that to remove internal customs and tax posts located from both sides on entering and leaving.

3. To consider the matter on introduction of joint customs control from 1 September 2001 on the State border between the Republic of Moldova and Ukraine.

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