Agreement ID : CHINA-MACAO, China
Short Name : China-Macao CEPA

Member Countries

China
Macao,SAR

Total: 2 countries

Mainland and Macao Closer Economic Partnership Arrangement

Status : Signed in **2003** In force since 2003
Scope : Bilateral
Type : FTA & EIA
WTO Notification : GATT Art XXIV, GATS Art V 2003
Agreement text :
http://www.economia.gov.mo/web/DSE/public?_nfpb=true&_pageLabel=Pg_CEPA_Index&locale=en_US
Other links :
http://www.worldtradelaw.net/fta/agreements/chinmacaofta.pdf
WTO consideration process :
Under consideration

GOODS

Tariffs
CHAPTER 2; Article 5: Eliminate tariff to the goods listed in Table 1 of Annex 1 by 2006
Annex 1; Table 1: Tariff schedule, positive list

Rules of Origin
CHAPTER 3; Article 10; Annex 2: change in tariff heading (CTH), or Value added 30%, or special processing

Annex 2; Table 1: Schedule on Rules of Origin for Macao

Contingency Measures
Anti - Dumping : CHAPTER 2; Article 7: Not allowed
Countervailing Duties : CHAPTER 2; Article 8: Not allowed
Safeguards : CHAPTER 2; Article 9: Allowed temporarily after consultation

Standards :

Notes :
No provisions for coverage of agricultural goods.CEPA was signed in the Chinese language, and only the Chinese text is authentic.

SERVICES

WTO Notification (GATS Art. V) : Notified
Date of notification : 27/12/2003
Consideration Process : Factual Presentation issued

Liberalization Approach : Positive Lists

Modes Covered
Cross - Border Supply : **Yes**
Consumption Abroad : **Yes**
Movement of Natural Persons : **Yes**

Specific Chapters on

Specific Sectors Excluded

Public Sectors carve-out : Other
No explicit public services carve-out.

Most Favoured Nation : Not featured

National Treatment : Not featured

Market Access : Not featured

Domestic Regulation : Not featured

Subsidies covered by services disciplines : Covered

Denial of benefits for commercial presence : Annex 5 sets out detailed rules of origin and on denial of benefits.

Notes :
No major disciplines in the text of the agreement. Substantial and sectoral obligations are adopted by positive listing in the schedules of commitments.

Link to schedules :

INVESTMENT

Scheduling Approach :

Definition of investment :

Most Favoured Nation :

National Treatment :

Fair and Equitable Treatment :

Expropriation :

Board of Directors and executive personnel :

Invester - State arbitration : No

Denial of Benefits :

Additional BIT exists between the parties : No
BIT list I :
Status:
BIT list II :
Status:

Notes :
Investment covered only in services part of nthe agreement.Article 16 sets The Parties will promote trade and investment facilitation through greater transparency, standards conformity and enhanced information exchange

Link to schedules :

TRADE FACILITATION

Customs procedures : **Yes** CHAPTER 5; Article 17; Annex 6: Areas of Cooperation; Customs clearance facilitation
Customs valuation : **No**
Trade regulations publication and administration : **Yes** CHAPTER 5; Article 17; Annex 6: Areas of Cooperation; Transparency in laws and regu
Use of ICT : **No**
Mobility of business people : **No**
Freedom of transit : **No**
Transport and logistics : **No**
Trade finance : **No**

OTHER AREAS

Government Procurement : **No**
Investment : **Yes** CHAPTER 5
Competition Policy : **No**
Intellectual Property : **No**
Dispute Settlement : **Yes** CHAPTER 6; Article 19: The two sides shall set up a Joint Steering Committee to resolve disputes
Labor Mobility : **No**
Labor and Environmental Standards : **No**
Technical cooperation : **No**
Institutional mechanism : **Yes** CHAPTER 6; Article 19: The two sides shall set up a Joint Steering Committee

Notes :
Macao already applies zero tariff on products from the mainland. The agreement is like HK's.

RULES OF ORIGIN

Cumulation
Not mentioned: Bilateral

Specific Process
Annex 2; Table 1: Some process accepted as requirement (with substantial transformation)
Heading Change

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Not mentioned
Minimum Content

Drawback
Not mentioned
HTTP Link

Notes :