Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Community and the Republic of Kazakhstan establishing a double-checking system without quantitative limits in respect of the export of certain steel products from the Republic of Kazakhstan to

the European Community

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A. Letter from the European Community

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Coal and Steel Community and the Government of the Republic of

Kazakhstan on trade in certain steel products concluded on 22 July2002. Furthermore, consultations took place with regard to problemsconcerning certain steel products which fall outside the scope of the abovementioned Agreement.

2. Following these consultations the Parties hereby agree toestablish a double-checking system, without quantitative limits, inrespect of certain steel products in order to improve transparency and to avoid possible diversions of trade. The details of the double-checking system are annexed to this letter.

3. This Exchange of Letters is without prejudice to the application of the relevant provisions of the bilateral agreements on trade andtrade-related matters, in particular those relating to anti-dumping and safeguard measures.

4. Either Party may at any time propose amendments to the Annex orthe Appendices thereto, which shall require the mutual consent of the Parties and shall take effect as agreed by them. Shouldanti-dumping or safeguard investigations be initiated or measures introduced in the European Community concerning a product under the double-checking system, Kazakhstan will decide whether to exclude the product in question from the double-checking system. Such adecision shall not affect the entry into free circulation of the product in question into the Community.

5. In conclusion, I have the honour to propose that if this letter, the Annex and the Appendices thereto are acceptable to your

Government, this letter and your confirmation shall togetherconstitute an agreement between the European Community and

Kazakhstan, which shall enter into force on the date of your reply.

Please accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration,

On behalf of the European Community

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B. Letter from the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan

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I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of

..... which reads as follows:

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I have the honour to confirm that the above is acceptable to my

Government and that your letter, this reply and the attached Annexand

Appendices together constitute an agreement, in accordance withyour proposal.

Please accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration,

For the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan

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ANNEX

1.1. For the period running from the date on which this Agreement isapplied between the Parties to 31 December 2004, unless both

Parties agree to terminate the system earlier, imports into the

Community of the products listed in Appendix I originating in

Kazakhstan shall be subject to the presentation of a surveillancedocument conforming to the model shown in Appendix II issued by theauthorities in the Community.

1.2. For the period running from the date on which this Agreement isapplied to 31 December 2004, unless both Parties agree to terminate the system earlier, imports into the Community of the products listed in Appendix I and which originate in Kazakhstan shall, inaddition, be subject to the issue of an export document by the competent Kazakhstan authorities. The importer must present theoriginal of the export document not later than 31 March of the yearfollowing that in which the goods covered by the document wereshipped.

1.3. Shipment is considered to have taken place on the date ofloading on to the exporting means of transport.

1.4. The export document shall conform to the model shown in

Appendix III. It shall be valid for exports throughout the customsterritory of the Community.

1.5. Kazakhstan shall notify the Commission of the European

Communities of the names and addresses of the appropriate Kazakhstangovernmental authorities which are authorised to issue and verifyexport documents together with specimens of the stamps and signatures they use. Kazakhstan shall also notify the Commission of any change in these particulars. 1.6. The classification of the products covered by this Agreement isbased on the tariff and statistical nomenclature of the Community

(hereinafter called CN). The origin of the products covered by this

Agreement shall be determined in accordance with the rules in forcein the Community.

1.7. The competent authorities of the Community undertake to inform

Kazakhstan of any changes in the CN in respect of products coveredby this Agreement before their date of entry into force in the

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Community.

1.8. Certain technical provisions on the implementation of thedouble-checking system are set out in Appendix IV.

2.1. Kazakhstan undertakes to supply the Community with precisestatistical information on the export documents issued by the

Kazakhstan authorities pursuant to 1.2. Such information shall betransmitted to the Community by the end of the month following themonth to which the statistics relate.

2.2. The Community undertakes to supply the Kazakhstan authorities with precise statistical information on surveillance documents issued by Member States in respect of the export documents issued by the Kazakhstan authorities pursuant to 1.1. Such information shallbe transmitted to the Kazakhstan authorities by the end of the monthfollowing the month to which the statistics relate.

3. If necessary, at the request of either of the Parties, consultations shall be held on any problems arising from theoperation of this Agreement. Such consultations shall be heldpromptly. Any consultations held under this paragraph shall beapproached by both Parties in a spirit of cooperation and with adesire to reconcile the difference between them.

4. Any notices to be given hereunder shall be given:

in respect of the Community, to the Commission of the European

Communities, in respect of Kazakhstan, to the Mission of the Republic of

Kazakhstan to the European Communities.

Appendix I

List of products subject to double-checking without quantitativelimits

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- ex 72112330 (TARIC code 7211233099)
- ex 72112380 (TARIC code 7211238099)
- ex 72112900 (TARIC code 7211290091)
- ex 72112900 (TARIC code 7211290099)

ex 72119000 (TARIC code 7211900090)

ex 72112320 (TARIC code 7211232090)

ex 72251910 (TARIC code 7225191000)

- ex 72251990 (TARIC code 7225199000)
- ex 72261910 (TARIC code 7226191000)
- ex 72261980 (TARIC code 7226198010)
- ex 72261980 (TARIC code 7226198090)
- ex 72261100 (TARIC code 7226110090)

Appendix II

EUROPEAN COMMUNITY SURVEILLANCE DOCUMENT

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Appendix IV

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Technical provisions on the implementation of the double-checkingsystem1. The export documents shall measure  $210 \times 297$  mm. The paper used shall be white writing paper, sized, not containing mechanical pulp, and weighing not less than 25 g/m2. They shall be made out in

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English. If they are completed by hand, entries must be in ink and in printed script. These documents may comprise additional copiesduly indicated as such. If the documents have several copies onlythe top copy is the original. This copy shall be clearly marked as

original and other copies as copies . Only the original shall beaccepted by the competent authorities of the Community as beingvalid for the control of export to the Community in accordance with the provisions of the doublechecking system.

2. Each document shall bear a standardised serial number, whether ornot printed, by which it can be identified. This number shall becomposed of the following elements:

two letters identifying the exporting country as follows: KZ =

Kazakhstan, two letters identifying the intended Member State of customsclearance as follows:

BE = Belgium DK = Denmark DE = Germany EL = Greece ES = Spain FR =

France IE = Ireland IT = Italy LU = Luxembourg NL = Netherlands AT =

Austria PT = Portugal FI = Finland SE = Sweden GB = United Kingdom

CZ = Czech Republic (1) EE = Estonia (2) CY = Cyprus (3) LV = Latvia (4)

LT = Lithuania (5) HU = Hungary (6) MT = Malta (7) PL = Poland (8) SI =

Slovenia (9) SK = Slovak Republic (10)

a one-digit number identifying the year, corresponding to the lastfigure in the respective year, e.g. 4 for 2004, a two-digit number from 01 to 99, identifying the particular issuingoffice concerned in the exporting country, a five-digit number running consecutively from 00001 to 99999allocated to the intended Member State of customs clearance.

3. The export documents shall be valid for the calendar year duringwhich they are issued, as shown in Box No 3 of the export document.

4. Since the importer needs to present the original export documentwhen requesting an import document, export documents should, as faras possible, be issued in respect of individual commercialtransactions, not global contracts.

5. Kazakhstan need not show price information on the exportdocument, but that information is available to the Commissionauthorities on request.

6. Export documents may be issued after the shipment of the products to which they relate. In such cases they must bear the endorsement

issued retrospectively .

7. In the event of a theft, loss or destruction of an exportdocument, the exporter may apply to the competent governmentalauthority which issued the document for a duplicate to be made outon the basis of the export documents in his possession. The duplicate of any such document so issued shall bear the endorsement

duplicate. The duplicate shall bear the date of the original export document.

8. The competent authorities of the Community shall be informediamediately of the withdrawal or modification of any exportdocuments already issued and, where relevant, of the basis for suchaction.

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