# PROTOCOL

# TO THE

# TRADE AND ECONOMIC AGREEMENT

### BETWEEN

# THE CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY (CARICOM)

## AND THE

## **GOVERNMENT OF THE**

**REPUBLIC OF CUBA** 

#### PROTOCOL TO THE TRADE AND ECONOMIC AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CARIBBEAN COMMUNITY (CARICOM) AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CUBA

The Caribbean Community (CARICOM) and the Government of the Republic of Cuba (hereinafter referred to collectively as "the Parties"),

**<u>Recalling</u>** the Trade and Economic Cooperation Agreement between the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) and the Government of the Republic of Cuba signed 5 July 2002;

**Bearing in mind** the different levels of economic development between CARICOM Member States and the Republic of Cuba;

<u>Conscious</u> of the differences in capabilities of the CARICOM Member States for implementing in their respective jurisdictions the Trade and Economic Cooperation Agreement between the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) and the Government of the Republic of Cuba;

**Recognising** that the Trade and Economic Cooperation Agreement between the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) and the Government of the Republic of Cuba shall enter into force on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of January 2003 or as soon thereafter as the Parties have notified each other through diplomatic documents that internal processes have been completed;

<u>Desirous</u> of commencing the implementation of the Trade and Economic Cooperation Agreement between the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) and the Government of the Republic of Cuba prior to its formal entry into force;

**DECLARE** as follows:

#### <u>ARTICLE 1</u> Provisional Application

Any Member State of CARICOM and the Republic of Cuba may, by signing this Protocol, agree to apply the provisions of the Trade and Economic Cooperation Agreement between the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) and the Government of the Republic of Cuba provisionally between them pending its formal entry into force in accordance with Article 30 thereof.

#### <u>ARTICLE 2</u> Entry into Force

This Protocol shall enter into force on signature by any Member State of CARICOM and the Republic of Cuba or on such later date as the signatories may determine.

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF* the undersigned plenipotentiaries being duly authorised have affixed their signatures to this Protocol in English and Spanish, both of which languages are equally authentic.

DONE at Havana, Cuba on the % day of December 2002. Signed by for the Government of the Republic of Cuba on the goday of Secondar 2002 at Howana bube

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Signed by

for the Government of Antigua and Barbuda on the 8th day of December 2002 at Warrane bube

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for the Government of the Commonwealth of Dominica on the 8 day of December 2002at Howare, bube

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for the Government of St. Kitts and Nevis on the 8 day of December 2002 at Hawane bube

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for the Government of St. Vincent and the Grenadines on the 8" day of December 2002 at Hovane bube

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Signed by Multic of Suriname on the

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for the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago on the 8th day of December 2002 at Havane, Lauke