

**COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP
AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
REPUBLIC OF KOREA
AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF
GEORGIA**

PREAMBLE

The Government of the Republic of Korea (“Korea”) and the Government of Georgia (“Georgia”) (hereinafter referred to collectively as the “Parties” and individually as a “Party”):

RECOGNIZING their longstanding and strong partnership and the need to strengthen the framework for broader their economic cooperation and trade relations;

CONVINCED that this Agreement will create an expanded and secure market for goods and services and a stable and predictable environment for trade relations, thus enhancing the competitiveness of their firms in global markets;

DESIRING to promote economic growth, create new employment opportunities, raise living standards and improve public welfare;

SEEKING to establish clear and mutually advantageous rules through this Agreement governing their trade and to reduce or eliminate the barriers to trade between them in conformity with international law;

PROMOTING a predictable, transparent, and consistent business environment that will assist enterprises in planning effectively and using resources efficiently that supports further expansion of trade and investment;

COMMITTED to contributing to the harmonious development and expansion of world trade by removing obstacles to trade through this Agreement;

RESOLVED to promote transparency as regards all relevant interested parties, including the private sector;

RECOGNIZING the right of the Parties to take measures necessary to achieve legitimate public policy objectives on the basis of the level of protection that they deem appropriate, provided that such measures do not constitute a means of unjustifiable discrimination or a disguised restriction on international trade, as reflected in this Agreement; and

BUILDING on their respective rights and obligations under the *Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization* and other multilateral, regional, and bilateral agreements to which both Parties are party;

HAVE AGREED as follows: