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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20508

March 31, 2017

His Excellency Rubén Morales
Minister of Economy
Guatemala City, Guatemala

Dear Minister Morales:

I am pleased to acknowledge your letter of today, which reads as follows:

“I have the honor to confirm the understanding reached by the Governments of the United States of America and the Republic of Guatemala, under Paragraph 14(d) of Appendix I of the General Notes to the Schedule of Guatemala to Annex 3.3 of the Dominican Republic - Central America - United States Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA-DR), to set the aggregate quantity of product entering Guatemala from the United States under the tariff line 16023200A of Annex 3.3 of the Tariff Schedule of Guatemala (--- chicken leg quarters (salted or brined)) at 1,000 (one thousand) metric tons annually for years 13 to 17 of the CAFTA-DR.

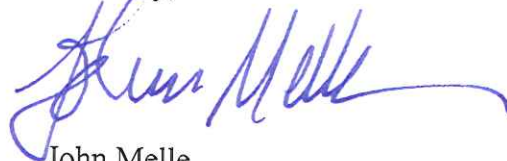
Accordingly, I further confirm the understanding that duties on goods entered in aggregate quantities in excess of 1,000 metric tons annually under tariff line 16023200A shall continue to follow the tariff phase out in accordance with the provision of staging category P in paragraph 3(d) of the General Notes of Guatemala to Annex 3.3.

In addition, I also confirm Guatemala’s commitment to eliminate tariffs in the entirety for lines 02071339B ----(chicken leg quarters (fresh or chilled)) and 02071499B ----(chicken leg quarters (frozen)) of the Tariff Schedule of Guatemala to Annex 3.3 of the CAFTA-DR pursuant to the *Decision of the Free Trade Commission Concerning the Tariff Elimination for Tariff Lines 0207 13 99B and 0207 14 99B (Tariff Schedule of Guatemala to Annex 3.3).*”

I further confirm that this letter and your confirmation in reply shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments and that this agreement shall come into force January 1, 2018.”

I have the honor to confirm that the understandings referred to in your letter are shared by my Government, and that your letter and this reply shall constitute an agreement between our Governments.

Sincerely,



John Melle
Assistant U.S. Trade Representative
for the Western Hemisphere