

**AGREED MINUTES OF THE 4<sup>th</sup> JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING  
OF THE FREE TRADE AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
THE REPUBLIC OF CHILE AND THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY**

**Ankara, 12-13 May 2016**

The fourth meeting of the Joint Committee of the Free Trade Agreement (FTA) between the Republic of Chile and the Republic of Turkey (hereinafter "the Agreement") was held in Ankara on 12-13 May 2016. The Chilean Delegation was headed by Mr. Pablo URRIA H., Director for Bilateral Economic Affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The Turkish Delegation was headed by Mr. Murat YAPICI, Director General for EU Affairs at the Ministry of Economy.

The lists of the delegations are attached herewith (Annex I). The Parties adopted the agenda as enclosed herewith (Annex II). At the meeting, following subjects were discussed by the Parties.

Under the agenda item on the **modernization of the FTA;**

Regarding bilateral market enhancement, Chilean side requested to improve current market access conditions under the FTA in order to increase bilateral trade in line with the Joint Declaration signed by the Presidents on 1 February 2016. Chilean side will send its request list. Turkish Side will consider the possibility of bilaterally improving the market access conditions taking into account the sensitivities of Turkish side in the agricultural sector.

On services and investments, the Parties had exploratory talks in order to expand the scope of the FTA. During the meeting, they summarized their general approach about these Chapters and underlined their sensitivities for these subjects under their FTAs. On services and investments, Turkish side will send its draft main text and draft annexes by the end of June 2016.

The Parties also discussed the Chilean request to include a competition chapter under the Agreement, which will be similar to the Turkey's existing FTAs. Turkish side will send its comments to Chile after consulting with the Turkish Competition Authority. Furthermore, Chilean side stated its interest to include regulatory cooperation for certain sectors under Technical Barriers to Trade (TBT) chapter of the FTA. Chilean side indicated that it will send an explanatory document and its proposal for the sectors that it is interested, and Turkish side will send its comments accordingly.

Under the agenda item on the **other issues;**

On customs matters, Turkish side informed Chilean side about the state of the play of the "Decision No. 1/2013", which was adopted on the II Joint Committee meeting, stating that internal ratification procedures were completed in Turkey and it is expected to enter into force on 1 July 2016. Also, Turkish side expressed that the "Agreement on Co-operation and Mutual Assistance in Customs Matters", which was signed on 19 November 2012, is in force since June 2015. On the other hand, Chilean side mentioned about the Decisions on Transposition of HS Codes and Direct Transportation Rules that they have taken with the EU. Turkish side said that they will consult with the EU and work on these Decisions accordingly. Additionally, Chilean side stated that they would like to simplify the format of EUR.1 certificates and use electronic documentation system. Turkish side will work on these subjects after receiving an information note paper on the issue from Chile.





Under the agenda item on the **TBT and Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (SPS)**;

Concerning certificate requirements on GMO free ingredients for wine imports to Turkey, Chilean side stated that although it is forbidden to use GMO in their country, they do not have an authority to issue a declaration indicating that the product does not include GMO. Turkish side mentioned that the requirement is not specific to Chile and it is applicable to all countries. The Parties will continue with their communication after the meeting. Chilean side will send a paper on the issue and Turkish side will later send an official response.

Regarding the contact points for TBT issues, Turkish side stated that Elif GÜRSOY, Head of Department at the Turkish Ministry of Economy, is responsible for this chapter along with other subjects under the FTA. In the case of Chile, the TBT contact point is Alejandro BUVINIC, Head of Regulatory Department at the Chilean Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

On SPS matters, Chilean side informed that it has opened its market for seeds of tomato, melon, watermelon, cucumber, eggplant and pepper, and similarly Turkish side has opened its market concerning bovine animals for breeding on 25 November 2015. The Parties discussed the next steps to be followed on procedures for the authorization of chicken meat, pork meat, sausages processing plants for export, establishments that process honey and fishery. Turkish side will provide information on the procedures to be followed, and the internal directive for the imports of animal products. On the request of the Chilean side, Turkish side provided information about the health certificates required for shipments of fishery products. Concerning the contact persons related to SPS matters, Turkish side stated that all the communications should be sent both to the Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Livestock ([fta@tarim.gov.tr](mailto:fta@tarim.gov.tr)) and the Ministry of Economy ([gursoye@ekonomi.gov.tr](mailto:gursoye@ekonomi.gov.tr)) to facilitate the procedure. In the case of Chile, the SPS contact point is Alejandro BUVINIC, Head of Regulatory Department at the Chilean Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

The Parties exchanged views on how to establish the list of 10 individuals, as stipulated in Article 43 of the FTA, who are willing to serve as the third arbitrator in the process of the composition of the Arbitration Panel. It was agreed to hold a videoconference to have further discussions after the receipt of the draft texts of the Rules of Procedure and the Code of Conduct that will be provided by the Chilean Side. Both sides will provide its own list of arbitrators in mid-June.

Both Sides agreed to have next Joint Committee meeting in Santiago in October 2016 on a date to be decided through diplomatic channels.

Done in Ankara on 12-13 May 2016 in two originals in the English language both texts being equally authentic.

**For the Government of  
the Republic of Chile**



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**Director for Bilateral Economic Affairs**  
**General Directorate of International**  
**Economic Affairs**  
**Ministry of Foreign Affairs**  
**of the Republic of Chile**

**For the Government of  
the Republic of Turkey**



**Murat YAPICI**  
**Director General**  
**for European Union Affairs**  
**Ministry of Economy**

ANNEX I

FOURTH JOINT COMMITTEE  
FREE TRADE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CHILE AND TURKEY  
12-13 May 2016

LIST OF TURKISH DELEGATION

MINISTRY OF ECONOMY

General Directorate for the European Union

Murat YAPICI	Director General
Serpil OĞUZ	Deputy Director General
Elif GURSOY	Head of Department
Ayşe Pelin YALÇIN	Foreign Trade Expert
Berivan SEZER	Assistant Foreign Trade Expert
İpek YALÇINDAĞ	Assistant Foreign Trade Expert

General Directorate of Exports

Ayşe Ferdağ TEKİN	Foreign Trade Expert
İnci Selin BAL	Export Promotion Expert

General Directorate of Imports

Belkıs GÜRSEL GÜLEÇ	Head of Section
Serhan KARA	Foreign Trade Expert

General Directorate of Agreements

Ayşe Figen SAFALI	Head of Department
Naciye Aslıhan TUNCER	Foreign Trade Expert

General Directorate of Product Safety and Inspection

Sanem YILDIZ	Foreign Trade Expert
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General Directorate of Incentive Implementation and Foreign Investment

Hasan Aslan AKPINAR	Head of Department
Betül Buke KARAÇIN	Assistant Foreign Trade Expert
Kamil ÖZCAN	Assistant Foreign Trade Expert

MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK

Department of EU and External Relations

Senem ODAMAN KÖSE	EU Expert
Şenol ACAR	EU Expert
Nurten AKSU	Engineer
Eray ELÇİM	Engineer

MINISTRY OF CUSTOMS AND TRADE

General Directorate of EU and Foreign Affairs

Aydın ŞENTÜRK	EU Expert
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## LIST OF CHILEAN DELEGATION

Mr. Pablo Urria	Director for Bilateral Economic Affairs
Mr. Cristian Toloza	Head of Europe Department
Ms. Andrea Cerda	Head of Market Access Department
Mr. Alejandro Buvinic	Head of Regulatory Department
Mr. Pablo Jimenez	Advisor of Europe Department
Ms. Tania Pierotic	Advisor of Services, Investment and Air Transport Department
Ms. Özge Tüysüzoğlu	Chilean Commercial Representative in Turkey
Mr. Rodrigo Reyes	Chilean Embassy in Turkey



## ANNEX II

### AGENDA

#### FOURTH JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING TURKEY-CHILE FTA

Dates: 12-13 May 2016

Venue: Ministry of Economy New Building, 15<sup>th</sup> floor  
(Sögütözü Mahallesi, 2180. Sokak, No:63 Çankaya/Ankara)

#### 12 May 2016

##### 9.30-12.30

- Opening remarks
- Adoption of the agenda
- Exchange of information on latest developments on national economies and bilateral trade
- Discussions on the scope of the modernization of the FTA:
  1. Trade in Goods
  2. Services
  3. Investment
  4. Other (Customs)

##### 14.30-18.00

- Sub-Committee Meeting on TBT
- Sub-Committee Meeting on SPS

#### 13 May 2016

##### 9.30-12.30

- Pending Issues
- Reporting of Sub-Committees
- Any Other Business
- Discussions on the Agreed Minutes
- Closing Remarks
- Signing of the Agreed Minutes

