

PART 3  
SCHEDULE OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

Section A  
Notes for Schedule of the People's Republic of China

1. Base Rates of Customs Duty. The base rates of customs duty set out in this Schedule reflect the Chinese MFN rates of duty in effect on 1 January 2017.
2. Staging. The following staging categories apply to the elimination of customs duties by China in accordance with Article 2.4(1) of Chapter 2 (Trade in Goods):
  - (a) category "A0" – the base rate of duty shall be eliminated and bound at zero for products of Mauritian origin from entry into force of the Agreement;
  - (b) category "A5" – the base rate of duty shall be reduced to and bound at zero for products of Mauritian origin over five (5) equal annual stages beginning from entry into force of the Agreement;
  - (c) category "A7" – the base rate of duty shall be reduced to and bound at zero for products of Mauritian origin over seven (7) equal annual stages beginning from entry into force of the Agreement;
  - (d) category "CSTQ" – the country-specific tariff quota in Article 2.13 (Country Specific Tariff Quota) of Chapter 2 (Trade in Goods) shall apply for products of Mauritian origin, with the in-quota duty rate being equal to that of the global TRQ and the base rate of duty remaining as out-quota duty rate; and
  - (e) category "E" – the base rate of duty shall apply for products of Mauritian origin.
3. The base rate of customs duty and staging category for an item are indicated for the item in Section B (Schedule of the People's Republic of China) of Part 3 of this Annex.