

## **ANNEX 15C**

### **APPLICATION OF ARTICLE 3 (APPROPRIATE MEASURES AGAINST ANTI-COMPETITIVE ACTIVITIES) AND ARTICLE 4 (CO-OPERATION) TO LAO PDR**

1. If, as of the date of entry into force of the Second Protocol, Lao PDR has not complied with the obligations under Article 3.1 and 3.2 (Appropriate Measures against Anti-Competitive Activities), Lao PDR shall comply with those obligations no later than three years after the date of entry into force of the Second Protocol.
2. Article 3.3 to 3.11 (Appropriate Measures against Anti-Competitive Activities) and Article 4 (Co-operation) shall apply to Lao PDR as soon as it complies with the obligations under Article 3.1 and 3.2 (Appropriate Measures against Anti-Competitive Activities) and, in any case, no later than three years after the date of entry into force of the Second Protocol.
3. During the three-year transitional period, Lao PDR shall take such steps as may be necessary to ensure that it is in compliance with Article 3 (Appropriate Measures against Anti-Competitive Activities) and Article 4 (Co-operation) by the end of the three-year period and shall endeavour to comply with the obligations under those Articles before the end of such period.
4. On request of a Party, Lao PDR shall inform the Parties of its progress since the date of entry into force of the Second Protocol in meeting the obligations under Article 3 (Appropriate Measures against Anti-Competitive Activities) and Article 4 (Co-operation) by the end of the three-year period.