

**PROTOCOL
BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ESTONIA
AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM
ON AMENDMENTS TO THE AGREEMENT
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AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM
ON THE PROMOTION AND PROTECTION OF INVESTMENTS**

The Government of the Republic of Estonia and the Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam,
DESIRING to conclude a Protocol to amend the Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Estonia and the Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam on the Promotion and Protection of Investments done at New York on 24 September 2009 (hereinafter *the Agreement*),

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

A new paragraph 4 shall be added to Article 7 of the Agreement and it shall read as follows:

“4. The provisions of this Article shall not be construed so as to prevent a Contracting Party from fulfilling in good faith its obligations as a member of an economic or monetary union, free trade agreement or any similar regional economic integration arrangements.”

Article 2

This Protocol shall form an integral part of the Agreement.

The Parties shall notify each other in writing, through diplomatic channels, when their legal requirements necessary for the entry into force of this Protocol have been fulfilled. The Protocol shall enter into force on the thirtieth day following the date of receipt of the last notification, or on the date of entry into force of the Agreement, whichever is later. The Protocol shall remain in force as long as the Agreement remains in force.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned being duly authorized by their Governments have signed this Protocol.

Done at Tallinn on 3 January 2011, in duplicate in the Estonian, Vietnamese and English languages. All texts are equally authentic. In case of divergence in interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

**For the Government of the Republic of
Estonia
H.E. Urmas Paet
Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of
Estonia**

**For the Government of the Socialist Republic
of Viet Nam
H.E. Doan Ngoc Boi
Ambassador Extraordinary and
Plenipotentiary
of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam
to Finland and Estonia**