For the purposes of this Arrangement:

(a) the term “OEPA” means the Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement between the Republic of India and Japan;

(b) the term “Implementing Agreement” means the Implementing Agreement of CEPA;

(c) the term “request” means a request for assistance made in writing including by e-mail, telefax or any other means of communication; and

(d) the term “customs officials” means any officials mentioned in the Annex II and the Annex III to this Arrangement.

1. Pursuant to paragraph 3 of Article 8 of the Implementing Agreement, a request for information will be addressed directly to the customs officials of the other Customs authority designated in paragraph 4 of this Arrangement.

2. Any information will be exchanged directly between the customs officials designated in paragraph 4 of this Arrangement as soon as possible.

3. Communications will be worded simply and clearly, and should be readily understandable.

4. In a request for information, the requesting authority will, besides the items referred to in Paragraph 1 (b) of Article 8 of the Implementing Agreement, indicate such other necessary items as may be relevant for the execution of the request. Examples of the other items are listed in Annex I.

5. All official letters, reports and documents sent to the customs officials of the other Party should be signed by duly authorized officials. Otherwise, an official seal or stamp should be affixed on them. The name, capacity, and contact information of the
official should be accompanied. This is without prejudice to communications by email between the officials specified in Annexes II and III.

6. For communication of information by internet, a secure method (i.a., use of password) will be applied as confirmed between the Customs authorities through their officials specified in Annex III.

**Paragraph 3**

The provisions relating to “Consult Document” under Article 10, “Surveillance” under Article 11, “Presence at the Inquiry” under Article 12 of the Implementing Agreement will be implemented in reference to paragraph 1 of Article 8 of the Implementing Agreement and the preceding paragraph of this Arrangement.

**Paragraph 4**

Pursuant to paragraph 3 of Article 8 and without prejudice to paragraph 4 of Article 7 of the Implementing Agreement:

(a) the officials designated to act as central correspondents for the general aspect of applying CEPA, such as the review of this Arrangement, are the customs officials specified in Annex II; and

(b) the officials designated to act as correspondents for the practical aspect of applying CEPA including the exchange of operational information, are the customs officials specified in Annex III.

**Paragraph 5**

The Customs authorities will, to the extent possible, exchange information about the results which were achieved under the Chapter 4 of CEPA and the Chapter 2 of the Implementing Agreement.
Paragraph 6

1. This Arrangement may be modified by the decision of the Sub-Committee on Customs Procedures and the adoption of its decision by the Joint Committee.

2. Notwithstanding sub-paragraph 1 of this paragraph, both Customs authorities may hold, as necessary, consultations at any time on any matters regarding this Arrangement, and modify the Annex I.

3. Notwithstanding sub-paragraph 1 of this paragraph, either Customs authority may update the Annexes II and III by giving written notification to the other Customs authority.

Paragraph 7

The operation of this Arrangement will commence upon the date on which CEPA enters into force.

Signed in duplicate on 1 August 2011, in the English language.

For the Customs Administration of Republic of India  
[Signature]  
Chairman  
the Central Board of Excise andCustoms, the Republic of India

For the Customs Administration of Japan  
[Signature]  
Director-General  
Customs and Tariff Bureau  
Ministry of Finance, Japan

(co-chairs of the Sub-Committee on Customs Procedures)
Annex 1

In a request for information, the requesting authority will indicate the following items listed below:

(a) Date on which the request is forwarded;

(b) Subject of the request (indicating nature of request in concise terms, for example, illicit trafficking of drugs, details given in the import/export declaration, infringement of Intellectual Property Rights);

(c) Whether the request pertains to export or import declarations filed before the Requested Administration, otherwise, whether the request pertains to suspects or potential suspects;

(d) Brief description of the case;

(e) Details and type of assistance requested e.g. information, consult documents, surveillance, present at inquiry;

(f) Reasons for request and the intended use of the information;

(g) Preliminary investigations conducted by the requesting administration (It should be covered in detail to the extent possible, in order for the requested authority to specify requested information easily.); and

(h) Contact point (Officer making the request (including name, designation, office address, telephone, facsimile and e-mail)) and an official seal or an official stamp or signature.
Annex II

Central correspondents for general aspect of applying the Chapter 4 of CEPA

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Annex III

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