

Annex II

Schedule of Tariff Commitments of the Republic of the Congo

Section 1 General Notes

1. The provisions of this Schedule are generally expressed in terms of the Customs Tariff of Import and Export of the Republic of the Congo. The interpretation of the provisions of this Schedule, including the description and coverage of the headings and subheadings of this Schedule, shall be governed by the Customs Tariff of Import and Export of the Republic of the Congo. To the extent that the provisions of this Schedule are identical to the corresponding provisions of the Customs Tariff of Import and Export of the Republic of the Congo, the provisions of this Schedule shall have the same meaning as the corresponding provisions of the Customs Tariff of Import and Export of the Republic of the Congo.

2. The base rates of customs duty set out in this Schedule reflect the Most-Favored-Nation tariff rates of the Congolese customs duty in effect on January 1, 2023.

3. The following categories shall apply to the reduction of the customs duties in accordance with Article 2 (Tariff Reduction) of the Arrangement by the Republic of the Congo:

(a) Category “A0”: customs duties on originating goods provided for in Category “A0” in this Schedule shall be eliminated entirely and such goods shall be free of customs duty on the date this Arrangement enters into force;

(b) Category “A5”: customs duties on originating goods provided for in Category “A5” in this Schedule shall be removed in five equal annual stages beginning on the date this Arrangement enters into force, and such goods shall be free of customs duty, effective January 1 of year five;

(c) Category “A10”: customs duties on originating goods provided for in Category “A10” in this Schedule shall be removed in ten equal

annual stages beginning on the date this Arrangement enters into force, and such goods shall be free of customs duty, effective January 1 of year ten.

4. The base rate of customs duty and category for tariff reduction are indicated in Section 2 of this Schedule (Schedule of Tariff Commitments).

5. For the purposes of this Section and this Schedule, year one means the year this Arrangement enters into force; beginning in year two, each annual stage of tariff reduction shall take effect on January 1 of the relevant year.