ANNEX X

JOINT DECLARATION ON CAPACITY BUILDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RULES OF ORIGIN OF THIS AGREEMENT

- 1. In accordance with Article 113 of this Agreement, the EU may provide to the SADC EPA States capacity building to help them prepare for the implementation of the rules of origin of this Agreement. The proposed activities may include seminars, project groups, experts' visits and training.
- 2. As for GSP cumulation, after capacity building is provided as above, assessment and recommendations for implementation can be made. Furthermore, when in EU's or SADC's view implementation difficulties arise, evaluations of the operational capacity of the SADC EPA States to administer and control the functioning of the relevant provisions will take place jointly between European Commission, EU Member State and SADC EPA State experts. The outcome of such evaluations will be raised at the Committee with a view to adopting any appropriate measures to improve the situation where necessary and to fine–tuning the capacity–building efforts provided by the EU.