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Ha Noi, 18 October 2026

H.E. Þorgerður Katrín Gunnarsdóttir
Minister for Foreign Affairs
Iceland
REYKJAVÍK

Your Excellency,

In connection with the signing of the Free Trade Agreement between the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam and the EFTA States (the Free Trade Agreement) on this date, I have the honour to confirm that the Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam (Viet Nam) and the Government of Iceland (Iceland) have agreed as follows:

Article 10.16 on the Panel of Experts under Chapter 10 (Trade and Sustainable Development) of the Free Trade Agreement shall not be invoked until four years after the date of entry into force of the Free Trade Agreement for all signatories.

I have the further honour to propose that this letter and your letter of confirmation in reply shall constitute an agreement between our Governments, which shall enter into force on the date on which the Free Trade Agreement enters into force for both Viet Nam and Iceland.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Lê Mạnh Hùng
Minister of Industry and Trade
Socialist Republic of Viet Nam

Ha Noi, 18 October 2026

H.E. Dr. Lê Mạnh Hùng
Minister of Industry and Trade
Socialist Republic of Viet Nam
HA NOI

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 18 October 2026, which reads as follows:

“In connection with the signing of the Free Trade Agreement between the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam and the EFTA States (the Free Trade Agreement) on this date, I have the honour to confirm that the Government of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam (Viet Nam) and the Government of Iceland (Iceland) have agreed as follows:

Article 10.16 on the Panel of Experts under Chapter 10 (Trade and Sustainable Development) of the Free Trade Agreement shall not be invoked until four years after the date of entry into force of the Free Trade Agreement for all signatories.

I have the further honour to propose that this letter and your letter of confirmation in reply shall constitute an agreement between our Governments, which shall enter into force on the date on which the Free Trade Agreement enters into force for both Viet Nam and Iceland.”

I have the honour to confirm that the above reflects the agreement reached between our Governments. Accordingly, your letter and this letter in reply shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments, which shall enter into force on the date on which the Free Trade Agreement enters into force for both Iceland and Viet Nam.

Yours sincerely,

Borgerður Katrín Gunnarsdóttir
Minister for Foreign Affairs
Iceland
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