4 February 2016

Heraldo Muñoz  
Minister of Foreign Affairs  
Chile

Dear Minister Muñoz,

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I have the honour to confirm the following understandings relating to the Agreements reached by New Zealand and Chile during the course of the negotiations on TPP:

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2. Article 10.5 of TPSEP recognises the geographical indications in Annex 10.A of TPSEP.

I have the further honour to propose that this letter and your letter of confirmation in reply shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments on the application between New Zealand and Chile of rights and obligations contained in TPP, and on the interpretation of the Agreements, which shall enter into force on the date on which TPP enters into force for both New Zealand and Chile.

Yours sincerely,

Hon Todd McClay  
Minister of Trade  
New Zealand
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I have the further honour to confirm that your letter reflects the understandings reached between the Governments of Chile and New Zealand during the course of the negotiations on TPP and that your letter and this letter in reply shall constitute an agreement between Chile and New Zealand.

Yours sincerely

HERALDO MUÑOZ
Minister of Foreign Affairs