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Ο περί των Συμφωνιών Δυνάμει του Άρθρου ΧΧΙ της GATS, μεταξύ της Ευρωπαϊκής Ένωσης και των Κρατών Μελών της, αφενός, και των θιγόμενων Μελών του Παγκόσμιου Οργανισμού Εμπορίου, αφετέρου, όσον αφορά τις Απαραίτητες Τροποποιήσεις και Αντισταθμιστικές Προσαρμογές που Προκύπτουν από την Προσχώρηση Νέων Κρατών Μελών στην Ευρωπαϊκή Ένωση του 1995 και 2004 (Κυρωτικός) Νόμος του 2013 εκδίδεται με δημοσίευση στην Επίσημη Εφημερίδα της Κυπριακής Δημοκρατίας σύμφωνα με το Άρθρο 52 του Συντάγματος.

Αριθμός 27(ΙΙΙ) του 2013

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Η Βουλή των Αντιπροσώπων ψηφίζει ως ακολούθως:

Συνοπτικός τίτλος. 1. Ο παρών Νόμος θα αναφέρεται ως ο περί των Συμφωνιών Δυνάμει του Άρθρου ΧΧΙ της GATS, μεταξύ της Ευρωπαϊκής Ένωσης και των Κρατών Μελών της, αφενός, και των θιγόμενων Μελών του Παγκόσμιου Οργανισμού Εμπορίου, αφετέρου, όσον αφορά τις Απαραίτητες Τροποποιήσεις και Αντισταθμιστικές Προσαρμογές που Προκύπτουν από την Προσχώρηση Νέων Κρατών Μελών στην Ευρωπαϊκή Ένωση το 1995 και 2004 (Κυρωτικός) Νόμος του 2013.

Ερμηνεία.

2. Στον παρόντα Νόμο, εκτός εάν από το κείμενο προκύπτει διαφορετική έννοια:

«θιγόμενα Μέλη του Παγκόσμιου Οργανισμού Εμπορίου» σημαίνει την Αργεντινή, την Αυστραλία, τη Βραζιλία, τον Καναδά, την Κίνα, το χωριστό τελωνειακό έδαφος της Ταϊβάν, Πενγκού, Κινμέν και Ματσού (Κινεζική Ταϊπέι), την Κολομβία, την Κούβα, τον Ισημερινό, το Χονγκ Κονγκ (Κίνα), την Ινδία, την Ιαπωνία, την Δημοκρατία της Κορέας, τη Νέα Ζηλανδία, τις

Φιλιππίνες, την Ελβετία και τις Ηνωμένες Πολιτείες της Αμερικής-

«Συμφωνίες» σημαίνει τις συμφωνίες υπό μορφή ανταλλαγής επιστολών που συνήφθηκαν εξ ονόματος των Ευρωπαϊκών Κοινοτήτων και των κρατών μελών τους ως ακολούθως -

- (α) Κοινή επιστολή των Ευρωπαϊκών Κοινοτήτων και των κρατών μελών τους, αφενός, και της Αργεντινής, αφετέρου, σύμφωνα με την παράγραφο 5 των διαδικασιών για την εφαρμογή του Άρθρου ΧΧΙ της Γενικής Συμφωνίας για τις Συναλλαγές στον τομέα των Υπηρεσιών (GATS) (S/L/80 της 29ης Οκτωβρίου 1999) σχετικά με τις τροποποιήσεις που προτείνονται στους πίνακες της GATS των Ευρωπαϊκών Κοινοτήτων και των κρατών μελών της (στο εξής ΕΚ), προκειμένου να ληφθεί υπόψη η προσχώρηση της Τσεχικής Δημοκρατίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Εσθονίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Κύπρου, της Δημοκρατίας της Λετονίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Λιθουανίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Ουγγαρίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Μάλτας, της Δημοκρατίας της Αυστρίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Πολωνίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Σλοβενίας, της Σλοβακικής Δημοκρατίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Φινλανδίας και του Βασιλείου της Σουηδίας στις Ευρωπαϊκές Κοινότητες-
- (β) κοινή επιστολή των Ευρωπαϊκών Κοινοτήτων και των κρατών μελών τους, αφενός, και της Αυστραλίας, αφετέρου, σύμφωνα με την παράγραφο 5 των διαδικασιών για την εφαρμογή του Άρθρου ΧΧΙ της Γενικής Συμφωνίας για τις Συναλλαγές στον τομέα των Υπηρεσιών (GATS) (S/L/80 της 29ης Οκτωβρίου 1999) σχετικά με τις τροποποιήσεις που προτείνονται στους πίνακες της GATS των Ευρωπαϊκών Κοινοτήτων και των κρατών μελών της (στο εξής ΕΚ), προκειμένου να ληφθεί υπόψη η προσχώρηση της Τσεχικής Δημοκρατίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Εσθονίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Κύπρου, της Δημοκρατίας της Λετονίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Λιθουανίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Ουγγαρίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Μάλτας, της Δημοκρατίας της Αυστρίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Πολωνίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Αυστρίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Πολωνίας, της Δημοκρατίας της

Σλοβενίας, της Σλοβακικής Δημοκρατίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Φινλανδίας και του Βασιλείου της Σουηδίας στις Ευρωπαϊκές Κοινότητες·

- κοινή επιστολή των Ευρωπαϊκών Κοινοτήτων και των κρατών (y) μελών τους, αφενός, και της Βραζιλίας, αφετέρου, σύμφωνα με την παράγραφο 5 των διαδικασιών για την εφαρμογή του Άρθρου ΧΧΙ της Γενικής Συμφωνίας για τις Συναλλαγές στον τομέα των Υπηρεσιών (GATS) (S/L/80 της 29ης Οκτωβρίου 1999) σχετικά με τις τροποποιήσεις που προτείνονται στους πίνακες της GATS των Ευρωπαϊκών Κοινοτήτων και των κρατών μελών της (στο εξής ΕΚ), προκειμένου να ληφθεί υπόψη η προσχώρηση της Τσεχικής Δημοκρατίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Εσθονίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Κύπρου, της Δημοκρατίας της Λετονίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Λιθουανίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Ουγγαρίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Μάλτας, της Δημοκρατίας της Αυστρίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Πολωνίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Σλοβενίας, της Σλοβακικής Δημοκρατίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Φινλανδίας και του Βασιλείου της Σουηδίας στις Ευρωπαϊκές Κοινότητες
 - (δ) κοινή επιστολή των Ευρωπαϊκών Κοινοτήτων και των κρατών μελών τους, αφενός, και του Καναδά, αφετέρου, σύμφωνα με την παράγραφο 5 των διαδικασιών για την εφαρμογή του Άρθρου ΧΧΙ της Γενικής Συμφωνίας για τις Συναλλαγές στον τομέα των Υπηρεσιών (GATS) (S/L/80 της 29ης Οκτωβρίου 1999) σχετικά με τις τροποποιήσεις που προτείνονται στους πίνακες της GATS των Ευρωπαϊκών Κοινοτήτων και των κρατών μελών της (στο εξής ΕΚ), προκειμένου να ληφθεί υπόψη η προσχώρηση της Τσεχικής Δημοκρατίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Εσθονίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Λετονίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Λιθουανίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Ουγγαρίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Αυστρίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Αυστρίας, της Σλοβενίας, της Σλοβενίας, της Σλοβενίας, της Σλοβακικής Δημοκρατίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Φινλανδίας και του Βασιλείου της Σουηδίας στις Ευρωπαϊκές Κοινότητες

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Η σύναψη των Συμφωνιών εκ μέρους της Δημοκρατίας έγινε δυνάμει απόφασης του Συμβουλίου της Ευρωπαϊκής Ένωσης και των αντιπροσώπων των κυβερνήσεων των κρατών μελών, συνελθόντων στο πλαίσιο του Συμβουλίου ημερ. 23/7/2007.

Κύρωση των Συμφωνιών. 3.-(1) Με τον παρόντα Νόμο, κυρώνονται οι Συμφωνίες.

Πίνακας.

Μέρος Ι.

Μέρος ΙΙ.

(2) Τα αυθεντικά κείμενα των Συμφωνιών στα Αγγλικά εκτίθενται στο Μέρος Ι του Πίνακα και η μετάφραση αυτών στα Ελληνικά στο Μέρος ΙΙ του Πίνακα:

Νοείται ότι, σε περίπτωση οποιασδήποτε διαφοράς μεταξύ των κειμένων του Μέρους Ι και του Μέρους ΙΙ του Πίνακα, υπερισχύει το κείμενο του Μέρους Ι αυτού.

ΠΙΝΑΚΑΣ (Άρθρο 3) Μέρσς Ι΄΄



COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

Brussels, 23 July 2007 (OR. en)

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LEGISLATIVE ACTS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS

Subject:

Decision of the Council and of the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States meeting within the Council on the conclusion of the relevant agreements under Article XXI GATS with Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu (Chinese Taipei), Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Hong Kong (China), India, Japan, Republic of Korea, New Zealand, Philippines, Switzerland, and the United States of America, on the modifications and necessary compensatory adjustments resulting from the accession of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia, the Slovak Republic, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Union

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION AND THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE MEMBER STATES OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY, MEETING WITHIN THE COUNCIL,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 133(1), (5) and (6), Article 71 and Article 80(2), in conjunction with Article 300(2) and (3) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament 1,

Whereas:

- (1) The Treaty concerning the accession of the Kingdom of Norway, the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Union entered into force on 1 January 1995².
- (2) The Treaty concerning the accession of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia and the Slovak Republic to the European Union entered into force on 1 May 2004 ³.
- (3) Pursuant to Article XX of the General Agreement on Trade in Services (hereinafter referred to as "GATS"), members of the WTO shall set out in a schedule the specific commitments they undertake under Part III of the GATS.

Opinion of ... (not yet published in the Official Journal).

² OJ C 241, 29.8.1994, p. 9.

³ OJ L 236, 23.9.2003, p. 17.

- (4) The current schedule of the European Community and its Member States (hereinafter referred to as the "European Community") covers only the specific commitments related to the twelve Member States of 1994. The individual schedules of specific commitments of the Member States that have joined the European Community in 1995 and in 2004 (hereinafter referred to as the "new Member States") were adopted prior to their accession.
- (5) In order to ensure, inter alia, that the new Member States are covered by limitations included in the list of specific commitments of the European Community and to ensure consistency with the acquis communautaire, it was necessary to modify or withdraw certain specific commitments included in the list of specific commitments of the European Community and in the lists of specific commitments of the new Member States.
- (6) With a view to presenting a consolidated schedule, on 28 May 2004 the European Community submitted a communication pursuant to Article V of the GATS whereby it notified its intention to modify and withdraw certain specific commitments included in the list of specific commitments of the new Member States, pursuant to Article V:5 of the GATS and in accordance with the terms of Article XXI:1(b) of the GATS.
- (7) Following the submission of the notification and pursuant to Article XXI:2(a) of the GATS, eighteen WTO Members (Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu (Chinese Taipei), Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Hong Kong (China), India, Japan, Republic of Korea, New Zealand, Philippines, Switzerland, Uruguay ¹ and the United States of America, hereinafter referred to as the "affected WTO Members") submitted claims of interest.

Uruguay later withdrew its respective claim of interest.

- (8) The Commission conducted negotiations with the affected WTO Members. As a result of those negotiations, agreement was reached on compensatory adjustments related to the modifications and withdrawals notified on 28 May 2004.
- (9) Following the conclusion of the negotiations, in accordance with the Council Conclusions of 26 July 2006, the Commission was authorised to sign the respective agreements with each of the affected WTO Members concerned. Such agreements cover both the modifications and withdrawals notified by the European Community, together with the compensatory adjustments related to such modifications and withdrawals. With a view to launching the certification procedure provided for by the applicable WTO rules, on 14 September 2006 the Commission transmitted the draft consolidated schedule to the WTO Secretariat. The certification was concluded on 15 December 2006.
- (10) The agreements contain modifications which concern trade in services in the field of transport and certain sectors which are mentioned in Article 133(6) of the Treaty establishing the European Community. They constitute a satisfactory and balanced outcome of the negotiations,

HAVE DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The relevant agreements under Article XXI GATS with Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu (Chinese Taipei), Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Hong Kong (China), India, Japan, Republic of Korea, New Zealand, Philippines, Switzerland and the United States of America on the modifications and the necessary compensatory adjustments resulting from the accession of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia, the Slovak Republic, the Republic of Finland and the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Union, are hereby approved on behalf of the European Community and its Member States.

The texts of the agreements are attached to this Decision.

Article 2

The President of the Council is hereby authorised to designate the person(s) empowered to express the consent of the European Community and its Member States to be bound by the agreements and to communicate to the WTO the date of entry into force of the modifications and adjustments contained in these agreements.

Article 3

This Decision shall be published in the Official Journal of the European Union.

Done at Brussels,

The President



Joint letter from the European Communities and its Member States on the one part, and Argentina, on the other part, pursuant to paragraph 5 of the Procedures for the implementation of Article XXI of the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) (S/L/89 of 29 October 1999)

relating to

the modifications proposed in the GATS Schedules of the European Communities and its Member States (hereafter the EC) to take account of the accession of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta; the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia, the Slovak Republic, the Republic of Finland, the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Communities

On 28 May 2004 and on 4 April 2005, the EC submitted two respective Communications pursuant to Article V of the GATS (circulated as document S/SECRET/8, dated 11 June 2004, and as document S/SECRET/9, dated 12 April 2005), whereby it notified its intention to modify or withdraw the specific commitments included in the list attached to the communications, pursuant to Article V:5 of the GATS and in accordance with the terms of Article XXI:1(b) of the GATS.

Following the submission of each Communication, Argentina submitted two respective claims of interest pursuant to Article XXI:2(a) of the GATS (S/L/175 with regard to S/SECRET/8 and S/L/228 with regard to S/SECRET/9). The EC and Argentina entered into negotiations pursuant to Article XXI:2(a) of the GATS with regard to S/SECRET/8 and S/SECRET/9.

With regard to the procedure initiated by the notification contained in document S/SECRET/8, the initial period for the negotiations, which expired on 26 October 2004, was extended (by inutual agreement) five times (until 26 April 2005, until 27 February 2006, until 1 June 2006, until 1 July and until 17 July 2006). During such negotiations, the EC and Argentina have agreed on compensatory adjustments related to the withdrawals and modifications contained in document S/SECRET/8.

With regard to the procedure initiated by the notification contained in document S/SECRET/9, no agreement between the EC and Argentina was reached by the end of the period provided for negotiations and no affected Member referred the matter to arbitration within the applicable deadline pursuant to paragraph 7 of S/L/80. Pursuant to Article XXI:3(b) of the GATS and subject to completion of the procedures set out in paragraphs 20-22 of S/L/80, the EC shall be free to implement the modifications and withdrawals proposed in document S/SECRET/9.

The Report on the result of these negotiations, which is attached to this letter, includes (1) the proposed modifications in the notifications referred to above, (2) the agreed compensatory adjustments with regard to the modifications or withdrawals notified in S/SECRET/8, and (3) the draft consolidated schedule of specific commitments that results from merging existing schedules of commitments of the EC and its Member States and from inserting therein both the modifications or withdrawals of commitments notified by the EC under documents S/SECRET/8 and S/SECRET/9 and the compensatory adjustments agreed between the EC and Argentina.

This letter and Annex I and II of the report attached to it constitute the Agreement between the EC and Argentina with regard to S/SECRET/8 for purposes of Article XXI:2(a) of the GATS. The Agreement shall not be interpreted to modify the Lists of Article II Exemptions: of the EC and its Member States. The Agreement shall not be interpreted to affect the Parties rights and obligations under Article VIII of the GATS.

Pursuant to the procedures referred to in paragraphs 20 to 22 of S/L/80, the EC will transmit, to the Secretariat for circulation, the draft consolidated schedule for certification by 14. September 2006, provided that an agreement has been signed with all affected Members, or the period foreseen in paragraph 7 of S/L/80 has expired, and no arbitration has been requested. The results of the negotiations are to enter into force; after completion of the certification procedures, on a date to be specified by the EC following completion of the EC's internal approval procedures, which the EC endeavours to accelerate as much as possible. The modifications and withdrawals proposed in documents S/SECRET/8 and S/SECRET/9 shall not enter into force until all of the compensatory adjustments indicated in Annex II have entered into force.

Danilo Nucci

Chargé d'Affaires a.i.

Permanent Delegation of the European Commission to the

World Trade Organisation

Alberto Juan Dumont

Ambassador

Permanent Representative

Permanent Mission of Argentina to the World Trade Organisation

This Agreement shall not be interpreted to prejudge the outcome of separate discussions within the WTO concerning the classification of telecommunication services (basic telecommunications and value-added services).

Report on the result of the negotiations conducted in accordance of Article XXI:2(a) of the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS)

relating to

the modifications proposed in the GATS Schedules of the European Communities and its Member States (hereafter the EC) to take account of the accession of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia, the Slovak Republic, the Republic of Finland, the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Communities,

Pursuant to paragraph 5 of the Procedures for the implementation of Article XXI of the GATS (S/L/80 of 29 October 1999), the EC submits the following report:

- 1. On 28 May 2004 and on 4 April 2005, the EC submitted two respective Communications pursuant to Article V of the GATS (circulated as document S/SECRET/8, dated 11 June 2004, and as document S/SECRET/9, dated 12 April 2005), whereby it notified its intention to modify or withdraw the specific commitments included in the list attached to the communications (hereafter "the proposed modifications"), pursuant to Article V:5 of the GATS and in accordance with the terms of Article XXI:1(b) of the GATS. The proposed modifications are contained in Annex I.
- 2. Following the submission of the notification contained in document S/SECRET/8, and pursuant to Article XXI:2(a) of the GATS, eighteen WTO Members (Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Chinese Taipei, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Hong Kong China, India, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, the Philippines, Switzerland, Uruguay and the United States) submitted a respective claim of interest.
- 3. Following the submission of the notification contained in document S/SECRET/9, and pursuant to Article XXI:2(a) of the GATS, fourteen WTO Members (Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Ecuador, Hong Kong China, India, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, Uruguay and the United States) submitted a respective claim of interest.
- 4. Argentina submitted two respective claims of interest pursuant to Article XXI:2(a) of the GATS (S/L/175 with regard to S/SECRET/8 and S/L/228 with regard to S/SECRET/9). The EC and Argentina entered into negotiations pursuant to Article XXI:2(a) of the GATS with regard to S/SECRET/8 and S/SECRET/9.
- 5. With regard to the procedure initiated by the notification contained in document S/SECRET/8, the initial period for the negotiations, which expired on 26 October 2004, was extended (by mutual agreement) five times (until 26 April 2005, until 27 February 2006, until 1 June 2006, until 1 July and until 17 July 2006).
- 6. During such negotiations, the EC and Argentina have agreed on compensatory adjustments related to the modifications and withdrawals contained in document S/SECRET/8: Annex I and II of this report, together with the joint letter to which it is attached, constitute the Agreement between the EC and Argentina with regard to

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S/SECRET/8 for purposes of Article XXI:2(a) of the GATS. This Agreement shall not be interpreted to modify the lists of Article II Exemptions of the EC and its Member States. This Agreement shall not be interpreted to affect the Parties rights and obligations under Article VIII of the GATS.

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- 8. In view of the foregoing, the proposed modifications and the agreed compensatory adjustments are incorporated into the EC's draft GATS consolidated schedule, which results from merging existing schedules of commitments of the EC and its Member States and from inserting therein both the modifications or withdrawals of commitments notified by the EC under documents S/SECRET/8 and S/SECRET/9 and the compensatory adjustments agreed between the EC and the Argentina.
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CZ . Czech Kepublic

DE Germany

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FR France

HU Hungary

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IT Italy.

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LU Luxembourg

LV Latvia

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PL Poland

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SE Sweden

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Joint letter from the European Communities and its Member States on the one part, and Australia, on the other part, pursuant to paragraph 5 of the Procedures for the implementation of Article XXI of the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) (S/L/80 of 29 October 1999)

relating to

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With regard to the procedure initiated by the notification contained in document S/SECRET/8, the initial period for the negotiations, which expired on 26 October 2004, was extended (by mutual agreement) five times (until 26 April 2005, until 27 February 2006, until 1 June 2006, until 1 July and until 17 July 2006). During such negotiations, the EC and Australia have agreed on compensatory adjustments related to the withdrawals and modifications contained in document S/SECRET/8.

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- Lithuania's market access commitments on mode 4 Business visitors (BV) (page 32). These
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Sectoral commitments

- Rental/Leasing services without operators Relating to Aircraft (page 95). The market access
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ANNEX II

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Mode 3 horizontal limitation on public utilities

Footnote on coverage indicating that this limitation does not apply to telecommunication and computer and related services.

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- Lithuania's market access commitments on mode 4 Business visitors (BV) (page 32). These
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 The schedule of specific commitments of Latvia did not include the limitation that the temporary entry and stay within the Member State concerned shall be for a period of not more than three months in any 12 months period. This limitation is now extended to this Member State.

Sectoral commitments

- Rental/Leasing services without operators Relating to Aircraft (page 95). The market access limitation under mode 2 is extended to Estonia, Lithuania, Hungary, Austria, Slovenia, Finland and Sweden and the market access limitation under mode 3 is extended to Estonia, Hungary and Austria.
- Services incidental to manufacturing (pages 109 and 110). The commitments included in the schedule of Latvia, Lithuania and Austria are withdrawn.
- Education services (page 156): limitation to "only privately funded services". This limitation
 was not included in the schedule of Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Austria, Slovenia (only
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- Space Transport. The commitment included in the schedule of Austria is withdrawn.
- Air Transport Rental of aircraft with crew (page 246). Two market access limitations (one under modes 1 and 2 and another one under mode 3) are introduced for Poland.
- Air Transport Sales and Marketing (pages 247 and 248). The schedule of specific commitments of Estonia did not include the national treatment limitation on distribution through CRS of air transport services provided by CRS parent carrier.
- Air Transport Computer Reservations System (page 248). The schedule of specific
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 parent or participating carriers in respect of a CRS controlled by an air carrier of one or more
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- Services auxiliary to all modes of transport Cargo handling services (page 259). A market
 access limitation under mode 3 has been introduced for Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.

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B) Modifications notified in document S/SECRET/9:

Horizontal Commitments

 Cyprus' and Malta's commitments on mode 4 under national treatment (pages 25, 29 and 32 of S/SECRET/8). These commitments are withdrawn.

Sectoral commitments

- Computer and Related Services a)Consultancy Services related to the Installation of Computer Hardware (CPC 841) (page 82) b) Software Implementation Services (CPC 842) (page 83) c)
 Data Processing Services (CPC 843) (page 85) d) Data Base Services (CPC 844) (page 86).
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- Research and Development Services b) R & D Services on Social Sciences and Humanities (CPC 852) (pages 89 and 90). Cyprus' commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.
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- Hotels, Restaurants and Catering (CPC 641,642 and 643) (page 232). Malta's commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.
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- Maritime transport services excluding cabotage transport (a) Passenger transportation (CPC 7211); (b)Freight transportation (CPC 7212) (page 242). Malta's commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.

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ANNEX II

COMPENSATION BY THE EC

Mode 3 horizontal limitation on public utilities

- Footnote on coverage indicating that this limitation does not apply to telecommunication and computer and related services.
- Mode 3 horizontal limitations on investment
 - Removal of the national treatment limitation for AT in Mode 3 on branches of foreign joint stock companies (Aktiengesellschaften) and limited liability companies (Gesellschaften mit beschränkter Haftung).
- Mode 4 for intra-corporate transferees and business visitors
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by CY and MT in the horizontal section and in the sector-specific section in the sectors where CY and MT have undertaken Mode 3 commitments.
- Professional services Engineering services (CPC 8672)
 - Market Access and National Treatment Commitments by CY and MT in Mode 2
 - Market Access commitments by CY, CZ, MT & SK in Mode 3
 - National Treatment commitments by CY and MT in Mode 3
 - Removal of the market access limitation for PT in mode 3
- Professional services Integrated Engineering Services (CPC 8673):
 - Removal of the ENT applied on Mode 4/CSS by the UK.
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- Professional services Urban planning and landscape architectural services (CPC 8674):
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by CY, CZ, MT, PL, SI & SK in
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by HU on Landscape Architectural Services in Mode 2.
- Computer and related services -
 - Addition of a clarificatory footnote.
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by HU in Modes 1, 2 & 3 for CPC 845 and 849
 - Improved conditions for CSS/Mode 4 by SE for computer and related services in the horizontal section and new commitments by SE for CSS/Mode 4 for CPC 845 and 849.
- Advertising services (CPC 871):
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by CY, MT & PL in Mode 1
- Telecommunication services
 - New and improved commitments by the entire EC as offered in its revised DDA offer.
 - A clarification from FI that its three Mode 3 horizontal limitations on legal entities under market access, on subsidiaries, branches, agencies and representative offices under national treatment, and on investment under market access do not apply to telecommunications services.
 - A clarificatory footnote indicating that Sub-sectors 2.C.h) to 2.C.m) of the Services Sectoral Classification List contained in MTN,GNS/W/120 (value-added services) and Sub-sectors 2.C.a) to 2.C.g) of that List are included here. Sub-sector 2.C.o) of that

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List is also included here to the extent that it falls under this definition. For the purpose of this schedule, subsector 2C.n of that list (on-line information and/or data processing) is reflected in this schedule of Commitments under 1.B (Computer and related services).

- Financial services (insurance services):
 - Removal of part of the market access limitations for SK in Mode 3
- Financial services (banking)
 - FI: change in Mode 3 permanent residency requirements ("At least one of the founders, the members of the board of directors, the supervisory board and the managing director shall have their permanent residence in the European Community..." instead of "At least one half of the founders, the members of the board of directors, the supervisory board and the delegates, the managing director, the holder of the procuration and the person entitled to sign in the name of the credit institution shall have their place of residence in the European Community...").
- Hotels, Restaurants and Catering
 - New (less restrictive) language for IT's ENT in mode 3 on bars, cafes and restaurants, including a commitment on its non-discriminatory nature.
- Travel Agencies and Tour Operators Services
 - Removal of the ENT applied on Mode 3 by the CZ
- Hairdressing services
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by CZ, FI, HU and SK in Modes 2 & 3

The following abbreviations are used to indicate the Member States:

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- DE Germany
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- ES Spain
- FI Finland
- FR France
- HU Hungary
- IE Ireland
- IT Italy
- LT Lithuania
- LU Luxembourg
- LV Latvia
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- NL The Netherlands
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- PT Portugal
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ANNEX II

COMPENSATION BY THE EC

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DK Denmark

EE Estonia

EL, Greece

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ES FI Finland

FR France

ΗŬ Hungary

<u>Ireland</u> Œ

Italy IT

Lithuania LT

Luxembourg LŲ-

Latvia IV.

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Poland PL

Portugal PΤ

Sweden SE

SI Slovenia

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CY Cyprus

Czech Republic CZ.

DE Germany

Denmark DK

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ES Spain

Finland Ħ

France FR

HU Нипрагу Œ Ireland

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ANNEX I

A) Modifications notified in document S/SECRET/8:

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 (pages 9 and 10). This entry was not included in the schedule of specific commitments of the
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 included in the schedule of specific commitments of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus,
 Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia. This limitation now applies to
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- National treatment limitations on subsidies under mode 3 (page 13). The schedule of specific
 commitments of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Austria,
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 mode 3 inscribed in the schedule of the EC and its Member States. These limitations are now
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- Lithuania's market access commitments on mode 4 Business visitors (BV) (page 32). These
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- Latvia's market access commitment on mode 4 contractual services suppliers (CSS) (page 33). The schedule of specific commitments of Latvia did not include the limitation that the temporary entry and stay within the Member State concerned shall be for a period of not more than three months in any 12 months period. This limitation is now extended to this Member State.

Sectoral commitments

- Rental/Leasing services without operators Relating to Aircraft (page 95). The market access
 limitation under mode 2 is extended to Estonia, Lithuania, Hungary, Austria, Slovenia, Finland
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- Services incidental to manufacturing (pages 109 and 110). The commitments included in the schedule of Latvia, Lithuania and Austria are withdrawn.
- Education services (page 156): limitation to "only privately funded services". This limitation
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- Air Transport Rental of aircraft with crew (page 246). Two market access limitations (one
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- Air Transport Computer Reservations System (page 248). The schedule of specific
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Joint letter from the European Communities and its Member States on the one part, and the United States of America, on the other part, pursuant to paragraph 5 of the Procedures for the implementation of Article XXI of the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) (S/L/80 of 29 October 1999)

relating to

the modifications proposed in the GATS Schedules of the European Communities and its Member States (hereafter the EC) to take account of the accession of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malfa, the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia, the Slovak Republic, the Republic of Finland, the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Communities

On 28 May 2004 and on 4 April 2005, the EC submitted two respective Communications pursuant to Article V of the GATS (circulated as document S/SECRET/8, dated 11 June 2004, and as document S/SECRET/9, dated 12 April 2005), whereby it notified its intention to modify or withdraw the specific communications, included in the list attached to the communications, pursuant to Article V:5 of the GATS and in accordance with the terms of Article XXI:1(b) of the GATS.

Following the submission of each Communication, the United States of America (hereafter the United States) submitted two respective claims of interest pursuant to Article XXI:2(a) of the GATS (S/L/166 with regard to S/SECRET/8 and S/L/217 with regard to S/SECRET/9). The EC and the United States entered into negotiations pursuant to Article XXI:2(a) of the GATS with regard to S/SECRET/8 and S/SECRET/9.

With regard to the procedure initiated by the notification contained in document S/SECRET/8, the initial period for the negotiations, which expired on 26 October 2004, was extended (by mutual agreement) five times (until 26 April 2005, until 27 February 2006, until 1 July and until 17 July 2006). During such negotiations, the EC and the United States have agreed on compensatory adjustments related to the withdrawals and modifications contained in document S/SECRET/8.

With regard to the procedure initiated by the notification contained in document S/SECRET/9, no agreement between the EC and the United States was reached by the end of the period provided for negotiations and no affected Member referred the matter to arbitration within the applicable deadline pursuant to paragraph 7 of S/L/80. Pursuant to Article XXI:3(b) of the GATS and subject to completion of the procedures set out in paragraphs 20-22 of S/L/80, the EC shall be free to implement the modifications and withdrawals proposed in document S/SECRET/9.

The Report on the result of these negotiations, which is attached to this letter, includes (1) the proposed modifications in the notifications referred to above, (2) the agreed compensatory adjustments with regard to the modifications or withdrawals notified in S/SECRET/8, and (3) the draft consolidated schedule of specific commitments that results from merging existing schedules of commitments of the EC and its Member States and from inserting therein both the modifications or withdrawals of commitments notified by the EC under documents S/SECRET/8 and S/SECRET/9 and the compensatory adjustments agreed between the EC and the United States.

This letter and Amex I and II of the report attached to it constitute the Agreement between the EC and the United States with regard to S/SECRET/8 for purposes of Article XXL2(a) of the GATS. The Agreement shall not be interpreted to modify the Lists of Article II Exemptions of the EC and its Member States. The Agreement shall not be interpreted to affect the Parties' rights and obligations under Article VIII of the GATS.

Pursuant to the procedures referred to in paragraphs 20 to 22 of S/L/80, the EC will transmit, to the Secretariat for circulation, the draft consolidated schedule for certification by 14 September 2006, provided that an agreement has been signed with all affected Members, or the period foreseen in paragraph 7 of S/L/80 has expired, and no arbitration has been requested. The results of the negotiations are to enter into force, after completion of the certification procedures, on a date to be specified by the EC following completion of the EC's internal approval procedures, which the EC endeavours to accelerate as much as possible. The modifications and withdrawals proposed in documents S/SECRET/8 and S/SECRET/9 shall not enter into force until all of the compensatory adjustments indicated in Annex II have entered into force.

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August 4, 2006

¹ This Agreement shall not be interpreted to projudge the ourcome of separate discussions within the WTO concerning the classification of telecommunication services (basic telecommunications and value-added services).

Report on the result of the negotiations conducted in accordance of Article XXI:2(a) of the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS)

relating to

the modifications proposed in the GATS Schedules of the European Communities and its Member States (hereafter the EC) to take account of the accession of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia, the Slovak Republic, the Republic of Finland, the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Communities,

Pursuant to paragraph 5 of the Procedures for the implementation of Article XXI of the GATS (S/L/80 of 29 October 1999), the EC submits the following report:

- 1. On 28 May 2004 and on 4 April 2005, the EC submitted two respective Communications pursuant to Article V of the GATS (circulated as document S/SECRET/8, dated 11 June 2004, and as document S/SECRET/9, dated 12 April 2005), whereby it notified its intention to modify or withdraw the specific commitments included in the list attached to the communications (hereafter "the proposed modifications"), pursuant to Article V:5 of the GATS and in accordance with the terms of Article XXI:1(b) of the GATS. The proposed modifications are contained in Annex I.
- 2. Following the submission of the notification contained in document S/SECRET/8, and pursuant to Article XXI-2(a) of the GATS, eighteen WTO Members (Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Chinese Taipel, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Hong Kong China, India, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, the Philippines, Switzerland, Uruguay and the United States of America (hereafter the United States) submitted a respective claim of interest.
- 3. Following the submission of the notification contained in document S/SECRET/9, and pursuant to Article XXI-2(a) of the GATS, fourteen WIO Members (Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Ecuador, Hong Kong China, India, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, Uruguay and the United States) submitted a respective claim of interest.
- 4. The United States submitted two respective claims of interest pursuant to Article XXI-2(a) of the GATS (S/L/166 with regard to S/SECRET/8 and S/L/217 with regard to S/SECRET/9. The EC and the United States entered into negotiations pursuant to Article XXI-2(a) of the GATS with regard to S/SECRET/8 and S/SECRET/9.
- 5. With regard to the procedure initiated by the notification contained in document S/SECRET/8, the initial period for the negotiations, which expired on 26 October 2004, was extended (by mutual agreement) five times (until 26 April 2005, until 27 February 2006, until 1 June 2006, until 1 July and until 17 July 2006).
- 6. During such negotiations, the EC and the United States have agreed on compensatory adjustments related to the modifications and withdrawals contained in document S/SECRET/8. Annex I and II of this report, together with the joint letter to which it is attached, constitute the Agreement between the EC and the United States with regard to

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S/SECRET/8 for purposes of Article XXI:2(a) of the GATS. This Agreement shall not be interpreted to modify the lists of Article II Exemptions of the EC and its Member States. This Agreement shall not be interpreted to affect the Parties' rights and obligations under Article VIII of the GATS.

- 7. With regard to the procedure initiated by the notification contained in document S/SECRET/9, no agreement between the EC and the United States was reached by the end of the period provided for negotiations and no affected Member referred the matter to arbitration within the applicable deadline pursuant to paragraph 7 of S/L/80. Pursuant to Article XXI:3(b) of the GATS and subject to completion of the procedures set out in paragraphs 20-22 of S/L/80, the EC shall be free to implement the modifications and withdrawals proposed in document S/SECRET/9.
- 8. In view of the foregoing, the proposed modifications and the agreed compensatory adjustments are incorporated into the EC's draft GATS consolidated schedule, which results from merging existing schedules of commitments of the EC and its Member States and from inserting therein both the modifications or withdrawals of commitments notified by the EC under documents S/SECRET/8 and S/SECRET/9 and the compensatory adjustments agreed between the EC and the United States.
- 9. Pursuant to the procedures referred to in paragraphs 20 to 22 of S/L/80, the EC will transmit, to the Secretariat for circulation, the draft consolidated schedule for certification by 14 September 2006, provided that an agreement has been signed with all affected Members, or the period foreseen in paragraph 7 of S/L/80 has expired, and no arbitration has been requested. The results of the negotiations are to enter into force, after completion of the certification procedures, on a date to be specified by the EC following completion of the EC's internal approval procedures, which the EC endeavours to accelerate as much as possible. The modifications and withdrawals proposed in documents S/SECRET/8 and S/SECRET/9 shall not enter into force until all of the compensatory adjustments indicated in Annex II have entered into force.

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ANNEX I

A) Modifications notified in document S/SECRET/8:

Horizontal Commitments

- Market access entry (page 9): "In all EC Member States services considered as public utilities at a national or local level may be subject to public monopolies or to exclusive rights granted to private operators". This entry was not included in the schedule of specific commitments of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cypros, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Austria, Poland, Slovenia, Slovakia, Finland and Sweden. This limitation now applies to all Member States.
- National treatment limitations on branches, agencies and representative offices under mode 3
 (pages 9 and 10). This cutry was not included in the schedule of specific commitments of the
 Czech Republic, Estonia, Cygrus, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Slovenia and Slovakia. This limitation
 now applies to all Member States.
- National treatment limitations on subsidiaries under mode 3 (page 10). This entry was not
 included in the schedule of specific commitments of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus,
 Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malia, Poland, Slovania and Slovakia. This limitation now applies to
 all Member States.
- National treatment limitations on subsidies under mode 3 (page 13). The schedule of specific commitments of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Larvia, Liduania, Malta, Austria, Slovenia, Slovakia, Finland and Sweden included only part of the limitations on subsidies on mode 3 inscribed in the schedule of the EC and its Member States. These limitations are now extended to these Member States.
- National treatment limitation on subsidies under mode 4 (page 13). The schedule of specific
 commitments of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Hungary, Malta and Slovakia did
 not include the limitation on subsidies under mode 4 inscribed in the schedule of the EC and its
 Member States. This limitation is now extended to these Member States.
- Cyprus' market access commitments on mode 4. These commitments are withdrawn.
- Market access entry on mode 4 Infra-company transfers (ICT) (page 26). The schedule of specific commitments of the Czech Republic, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia did not include the limitation that the receiving entity must be effectively providing like services in the territory of the Community Member State concerned. This limitation is now extended to these Member States.
- Market access entry on mode 4 Business visitors (BV) service sellers (page 30). The
 schedule of specific commitments of Poland did not include the limitation that those
 representatives will not be engaged in making direct sales to the general public, This limitation
 is now extended to this Member State.
- Market access entry on mode 4 Business visitors (BV) establishment of commercial presence
 (page 30). The schedule of specific commitments of Lithmania did not include the limitation that
 those representatives will not be engaged in making direct sales to the general public or
 supplying services. This limitation is now extended to this Member State.

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- Lithmania's market access commitments on mode 4 Business visitors (BV) (page 32). These
 commitments are partially withdrawn.
- Latvia's market access commitment on mode 4 contractual services suppliers (CSS) (page 33). The schedule of specific commitments of Latvia did not include the limitation that the temporary entry and stay within the Member State concerned shall be for a period of not more than three months in any 12 months period. This limitation is now extended to this Member State.

Sectoral commitments

- Rental/Leasing services without operators Relating to Aircraft (page 95). The market access
 limitation under mode 2 is extended to Estonia, Lithuania, Hungary, Austria, Slovenia, Finland
 and Sweden and the market access limitation under mode 3 is extended to Estonia, Hungary and
 Austria.
- Services incidental to manufacturing (pages 109 and 110). The commitments included in the schedule of Latvia, Lithuania and Austria are withdrawn.
- Bducation services (page 156): limitation to "only privately funded services". This limitation
 was not included in the schedule of Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Austria, Slovenia (only
 not included with regard to adult education services) and Slovakia. This limitation is nowextended to these Member States. In the case of Slovenia, such an extension only refers to adult
 education services.
- Banking and other financial services (excluding insurance) (pages 193, 213 and 217). The market access limitations indicating that "the establishment of a specialised management company is required to perform the activities of management of unit trusts and investment companies" and that "only firms having their registered office in the Community can act as depositories of the assets of investment funds", both under mode 1 and 3, were not included in the schedule of Czech Republic as regards mode 3, Estonia (not included in mode 1 nor in mode 3), Latvia as regards mode 3, Lithuania as regards mode 1, Hungary as regards mode 3 and Slovakia as regards mode 3. These limitations are now extended to these Member States.
- Space Transport. The commitment included in the schedule of Austria is withdrawn.
- Air Transport Rental of aircraft with crew (page 246). Two market access limitations (one
 under modes 1 and 2 and another one under mode 3) are introduced for Poland.
- Air Transport Sales and Marketing (pages 247 and 248). The schedule of specific commitments of Estonia did not include the national treatment limitation on distribution through CRS of air transport services provided by CRS parent carrier.
- Air Transport Computer Reservations System (page 248). The schedule of specific
 commitments of Hungary did not include the national treatment limitation on the obligations of
 parent or participating carriers in respect of a CRS controlled by an air carrier of one or more
 third countries.
- Services auxiliary to all modes of transport Cargo haudling services (page 259). A market
 access limitation under mode 3 has been introduced for Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.

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B) Modifications notified in document S/SECRET/9:

Horizontal Commitments

 Cyprus' and Malta's commitments on mode 4 under national treatment (pages 25, 29 and 32 of S/SECRET/8). These commitments are withdrawn.

Sectoral commitments

- Computer and Related Services. a)Consultancy Services related to the Installation of Computer
 Hardware (CPC 841) (page 82) b) Software Implementation Services (CPC 842) (page 83) c)
 Data Processing Services (CPC 843) (page 85) d) Data Base Services (CPC 844) (page 86).
 Cyprus' commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.
- Research and Development Services b) R & D Services on Social Sciences and Humanities (CPC 852) (pages 89 and 90). Cyprus' commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.
- Insurance and Insurance-Related Services (i) Direct insurance (including co-insurance): (a) life and (b) non-life (pages 211 and 212). Cyprus' commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.
- Banking and Other Financial Services (excluding insurance) (x) (e) transferable securities (page 223). Cyprus' commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.
- Hotels, Restaurants and Catering (CPC 641,642 and 643) (page 232). Malin's commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.
- Travel Agencies and Tour Operators Services (CPC 7471) (pages 233 and 234). Malta's commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.
- Maritime transport services excluding cabotage transport (a) Passenger transportation (CPC 7211); (b)Freight transportation (CPC 7212) (page 242). Malta's commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.

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ANNEX II

COMPENSATION BY THE EC

Mode 3 horizontal limitation on public wilities

 Footnote on coverage indicating that this limitation does not apply to telecommunication and computer and related services.

Mode 3 horizontal limitations on investment

 Removal of the national treatment limitation for AT in Mode 3 on branches of forcign joint stock companies (Aktiengesellschaften) and limited liability companies (Gesellschaften mit beschränkter Haftung).

Mode 4 for intra-corporate transferces and business visitors

- Market Access and National Treatment commitments by CY and MT in the horizontal section and in the sector-specific section in the sectors where CY and MT have undertaken Mode 3 commitments.
- Professional services Engineering services (CPC 8672)
 - Market Access and National Treatment Commitments by CY and MT in Mode 2
 - Market Access commitments by CY, CZ, MT & SK in Mode 3
 - National Treatment commitments by CY and MT in Mode 3.
 - Removal of the market access limitation for PT in mode 3
- Professional services Integrated Engineering Services (CPC 8673);
- Removal of the ENT applied on Mode 4/CSS by the UK.
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by SK in Mode 3
- Professional services Urban planning and landscape architectural services (CPC 8674):
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by CY, CZ, MT, PL, SI & SK in Mode 3.
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by HU on Landscape Architectural Services in Mode 2.
- Computer and related services -

Addition of a clarificatory footnote.

- Market Access and National Treatment commitments by HU in Modes 1, 2 & 3 for CPC 845 and 849
- Improved conditions for CSS/Mode 4 by SE for computer and related services in the horizontal section and new commitments by SE for CSS/Mode 4 for CPC 845 and
- Advertising services (CPC 871):
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by CY, MT & PL in Mode 1
- Telecommunication services
 - New and improved commitments by the entire EC as offered in its revised DDA offer.
 - A clarification from FI that its three Mode 3 horizontal limitations on legal emittes under market access, on subsidiaries, branches, agencies and representative offices under national treatment, and on investment under market access do not apply to telecommunications services.
 - A clarificatory footnote indicating that Sub-sectors 2.C.h) to 2.C.m) of the Services Sectoral Classification List contained in MTN,GNS/W/120 (value-added services) and Sub-sectors 2.C.a) to 2.C.g) of that List are included here. Sub-sector 2.C.o) of that

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List is also included here to the extent that it falls under this definition. For the purpose of this schedule, subsector 2C.n of that list (on-line information and/or data processing) is reflected in this schedule of Commitments under 1.B (Computer and related services).

- Financial services (insurance services):
 - Removal of part of the market access limitations for SK in Mode 3
- Financial services (banking)
 - FI: change in Mode 3 permanent residency requirements ("At least one of the founders, the members of the board of directors, the supervisory board and the managing director shall have their permanent residence in the European Community..." instead of "At least one half of the founders, the members of the board of directors, the supervisory board and the delegates, the managing director, the holder of the procuration and the person entitled to sign in the name of the credit institution shall have their place of residence in the European Community...").
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- DK. Denmark
- EE Esonia
- EL Greece
- ES Spain
- FI Finland FR France
- HU Hungary
- IE beland
- IT Italy
- LT Lidwania
- LU Luxumbourg
- LV Latvia
- MT Malea
- NL The Netherlands
- PL Poland
- PT Portugal
- SB Sweden
- SI Slovenia
- SK Slovak Republic
- UK United Kingdom

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Θέμα:

Απόφαση του Συμβουλίου και των αντιπροσώπων των κυβερνήσεων των κρατών μελών, συνελθόντων στο πλαίσιο του Συμβουλίου, για τη σύναψη των σχετικών συμφωνιών δυνάμει του άρθρου ΧΧΙ της GATS με την Αργεντινή, την Αυστραλία, τη Βραζιλία, τον Καναδά, την Κίνα, το χωριστό Τελωνειακό έδαφος της Ταϊβάν, το Πενγκού, Κινμέν και Ματσού (Κινεζική Ταϊπέι), την Κολομβία, την Κούβα, τον Ισημερινό, το Χονγκ Κονγκ (Κίνα), την Ινδία, την Ιαπωνία, την Δημοκρατία της Κορέας, τη Νέα Ζηλανδία, τις Φιλιππίνες, την Ελβετία και τις Ηνωμένες Πολιτείες της Αμερικής όσον αφορά τις απαραίτητες τροποποιήσεις και αντισταθμιστικές προσαρμογές που προκύπτουν από την προσχώρηση, στην Ευρωπαϊκή Ένωση, της Τσεχικής Δημοκρατίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Εσθονίας, της Κυπριακής Δημοκρατίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Λεττονίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Λιθουανίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Ουγγαρίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Μάλτας, της Δημοκρατίας της Αυστρίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Πολωνίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Σλοβενίας, της Σλοβακικής Δημοκρατίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Φινλανδίας και του Βασιλείου της Σουηδίας

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για τη σύναψη των σχετικών συμφωνιών

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και του Βασιλείου της Σουηδίας

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Έχοντας υπόψη:

τη Συνθήκη για την ίδρυση της Ευρωπαϊκής Κοινότητας, και ιδίως το άρθρο 133, παράγραφοι 1, 5 και 6, το άρθρο 77 και το άρθρο 80, παράγραφος 2, σε συνδυασμό με το άρθρο 300, παράγραφοι 2 και 3,

την πρόταση της Επιτροπής.

τη γνώμη του Ευρωπαϊκού Κοινοβουλίου¹.

Εκτιμώντας τα ακόλουθα:

- (1) Η Συνθήκη για την προσχώρηση του Βασιλείου της Νορβηγίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Αυστρίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Φινλανδίας και του Βασιλείου της Σουηδίας στην Ευρωπαϊκή Ένωση άρχισε να ισχύει την 1η Ιανουαρίου 1995².
- (2) Η Συνθήκη για την προσχώρηση της Τσεχικής Δημοκρατίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Εσθονίας, της Κυπριακής Δημοκρατίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Λεττονίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Λιθουανίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Ουγγαρίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Μάλτας, της Δημοκρατίας της Πολωνίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Σλοβενίας και της Σλοβακικής Δημοκρατίας στην Ευρωπαϊκή Ένωση άρχισε να ισχύει την 1η Μαΐου 2004³.
- (3) Δυνάμει του άρθρου ΧΧ της Γενικής Συμφωνίας για τις συναλλαγές στον τομέα των υπηρεσιών (στο εξής «GATS»), τα μέλη του ΠΟΕ καθορίζουν σε πίνακα τις ειδικές υποχρεώσεις που αναλαμβάνουν στο πλαίσιο του μέρους ΙΙΙ της GATS.

Γνώμη η οποία διατυπώθηκε στις ... (δεν έχει ακόμα δημοσιευθεί στην Επίσημη Εφημερίδα).

EE C 241, 29.8.1994. EE L 236, 23.9.2003.

- (4) Ο ισχύων πίνακας της Ευρωπαϊκής Κοινότητας και των κρατών μελών της (στο εξής «Ευρωπαϊκή Κοινότητα») καλύπτει μόνο τις ειδικές υποχρεώσεις που αφορούν τα δώδεκα κράτη μέλη το 1994. Οι επιμέρους πίνακες ειδικών υποχρεώσεων των κρατών μελών που προσχώρησαν στις Ευρωπαϊκές Κοινότητες το 1995 και το 2004 (στο εξής «τα νέα κράτη μέλη») υιοθετήθηκαν πριν από την προσχώρησή τους.
- (5) Για να εξασφαλισθεί ότι τα νέα κράτη μέλη καλύπτονται από τους περιορισμούς που περιλαμβάνονται στον κατάλογο των ειδικών υποχρεώσεων της Ευρωπαϊκής Κοινότητας και για να διασφαλισθεί η συνέπεια με το κοινοτικό κεκτημένο, είναι αναγκαίο να τροποποιηθούν ή να ανακληθούν ορισμένες ειδικές υποχρεώσεις που περιλαμβάνονται στον κατάλογο ειδικών υποχρεώσεων της Ευρωπαϊκής Κοινότητας και στους καταλόγους ειδικών υποχρεώσεων των νέων κρατών μελών.
- (6) Με στόχο να υποβληθεί ενοποιημένος πίνακας στις 28 Μαΐου 2004, η Ευρωπαϊκή Κοινότητα υπέβαλε ανακοίνωση βάσει του άρθρου V της GATS, σύμφωνα με την οποία κοινοποιούσε την πρόθεσή της να τροποποιηθούν ή να ανακληθούν ορισμένες ειδικές υποχρεώσεις που περιλαμβάνονται στον κατάλογο ειδικών υποχρεώσεων των νέων κρατών μελών, σύμφωνα με το άρθρο V:5 της GATS και σύμφωνα με τους όρους του άρθρου XXI:1(β) της GATS.
- (7) Μετά την υποβολή της κοινοποίησης και σύμφωνα με το άρθρο ΧΧΙ:2(α) της GATS, 18 μέλη του ΠΟΕ [Αργεντινή, Αυστραλία, Βραζιλία, Καναδάς, Κίνα, χωριστό τελωνειακό έδαφος της Ταϊβάν, Πενγκού, Κινμέν και Ματσού (Κινεζική Ταϊπέι), Κολομβία, Κούβα, Ισημερινός, Χονγκ Κονγκ (Κίνα), Ινδία, Ιαπωνία, Δημοκρατία της Κορέας, Νέα Ζηλανδία, Φιλιππίνες, Ελβετία, Ουρουγουάη¹ και Ηνωμένες Πολιτείες της Αμερικής, στο εξής «τα θιγόμενα μέλη του ΠΟΕ»] υπέβαλαν απαιτήσεις καταβολής τόκων.

Η Ουρουγουάη εν συνεχεία ανακάλεσε την αντίστοιχη απαίτησή της για καταβολή τόκων.

- (8) Η Επιτροπή πραγματοποίησε διαπραγματεύσεις με τα θιγόμενα μέλη του ΠΟΕ. Οι εν λόγω διαπραγματεύσεις είχαν ως αποτέλεσμα την επίτευξη αντισταθμιστικών προσαρμογών σχετικά με τις τροποποιήσεις και τις ανακλήσεις που κοινοποιήθηκαν στις 28 Μαΐου 2004.
- (9) Μετά την ολοκλήρωση των διαπραγματεύσεων, σύμφωνα με τα συμπεράσματα του Συμβουλίου της 26ης Ιουλίου 2006¹, η Επιτροπή εξουσιοδοτήθηκε να υπογράψει τις αντίστοιχες συμφωνίες με έκαστο από τα θιγόμενα μέλη του ΠΟΕ. Οι εν λόγω συμφωνίες καλύπτουν τόσο τις τροποποιήσεις όσο και τις ανακλήσεις που κοινοποίησε η Ευρωπαϊκή Κοινότητα μαζί με τις αντισταθμιστικές προσαρμογές σχετικά με τις εν λόγω τροποποιήσεις και ανακλήσεις. Με σκοπό την έναρξη της διαδικασίας πιστοποίησης που προβλέπεται από τους ισχύοντες κανόνες του ΠΟΕ, η Επιτροπή διαβίβασε, στις 14 Σεπτεμβρίου 2006, το σχέδιο ενοποιημένου πίνακα προς τη Γραμματεία του ΠΟΕ. Η πιστοποίηση ολοκληρώθηκε στις 15 Δεκεμβρίου 2006.
- (10) Οι συμφωνίες περιέχουν τροποποιήσεις που αφορούν το εμπόριο υπηρεσιών στον τομέα των μεταφορών και σε ορισμένους τομείς που αναφέρονται στο άρθρο 133, παράγραφος 6 της Συνθήκης για την ίδρυση της Ευρωπαϊκής Κοινότητας. Συνιστούν ικανοποιητική και ισορροπημένη έκβαση των διαπραγματεύσεων,

¹ 12019/06 Limited WTO 135 Services 34.

ΑΠΟΦΑΣΙΖΕΙ:

<u>Άρθρο 1</u>

Οι συμφωνίες με την Αργεντινή, την Αυστραλία, τη Βραζιλία, τον Καναδά, την Κίνα, το χωριστό τελωνειακό έδαφος της Ταϊβάν, Πενγκού, Κινμέν και Ματσού (Κινεζική Ταϊπέι), την Κολομβία, την Κούβα, τον Ισημερινό, το Χονγκ (Κίνα), την Ινδία, την Ιαπωνία, την Δημοκρατία της Κορέας, τη Νέα Ζηλανδία, τις Φιλιππίνες, την Ελβετία και τις Ηνωμένες Πολιτείες της Αμερικής όσον αφορά τις δυνάμει του άρθρου ΧΧΙ (GATS) απαραίτητες τροποποιήσεις και αντισταθμιστικές προσαρμογές που προκύπτουν από την προσχώρηση, στην Ευρωπαϊκή Ένωση, της Τσεχικής Δημοκρατίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Εσθονίας, της Κυπριακής Δημοκρατίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Λεττονίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Αιθουανίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Ουγγαρίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Μάλτας, της Δημοκρατίας της Αυστρίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Πολωνίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Σλοβενίας, της Σλοβακικής Δημοκρατίας, της Δημοκρατίας της Φινλανδίας και του Βασιλείου της Σουηδίας, εγκρίνονται εξ ονόματος της Κοινότητας και των κρατών μελών της.

Τα κείμενα των συμφωνιών επισυνάπτονται στην παρούσα απόφαση.

Άρθρο 2

Ο Πρόεδρος του Συμβουλίου εξουσιοδοτείται να ορίσει το ή τα πρόσωπα που είναι αρμόδια να εκφράσουν τη συναίνεση της Ευρωπαϊκής Κοινότητας και των κρατών μελών της να δεσμευθούν δυνάμει των συμφωνιών και να ανακοινώσει στον ΠΟΕ την ημερομηνία έναρξης ισχύος των τροποποιήσεων και προσαρμογών που περιέχονται στις εν λόγω συμφωνίες.

Άρθρο 3

Η παρούσα απόφαση δημοσιεύεται στην Επίσημη Εφημερίδα της Ευρωπαϊκής Ένωσης.

Έγινε στις Βρυξέλλες, στις

Για το Συμβούλιο και τα κράτη μέλη

Ο Πρόεδρος

Joint letter from the European Communities and its Member States on the one part, and Argentina, on the other part, pursuant to paragraph 5 of the Procedures for the implementation of Article XXI of the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) (S/L/80 of 29 October 1999)

relating to

the modifications proposed in the GATS Schedules of the European Communities and its Member States (hereafter the EC) to take account of the accession of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia, the Slovak Republic, the Republic of Finland, the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Communities.

On 28 May 2004 and on 4 April 2005, the EC submitted two respective Communications pursuant to Article V of the GATS (circulated as document S/SECRET/8, dated 11 June 2004, and as document S/SECRET/9, dated 12 April 2005), whereby it notified its intention to modify or withdraw the specific commitments included in the list attached to the communications, pursuant to Article V:5 of the GATS and in accordance with the terms of Article XXI:1(b) of the GATS.

Following the submission of each Communication, Argentina submitted two respective claims of interest pursuant to Article XXI:2(a) of the GATS (S/L/175 with regard to S/SECRET/8 and S/L/228 with regard to S/SECRET/9). The EC and Argentina entered into negotiations pursuant to Article XXI:2(a) of the GATS with regard to S/SECRET/8 and S/SECRET/9.

With regard to the procedure initiated by the notification contained in document S/SECRET/8, the initial period for the negotiations, which expired on 26 October 2004, was extended (by mutual agreement) five times (until 26 April 2005, until 27 February 2006, until 1 June 2006, until 1 July and until 17 July 2006). During such negotiations, the EC and Argentina have agreed on compensatory adjustments related to the withdrawals and modifications contained in document S/SECRET/8.

With regard to the procedure initiated by the notification contained in document S/SECRET/9, no agreement between the EC and Argentina was reached by the end of the period provided for negotiations and no affected Member referred the matter to arbitration within the applicable deadline pursuant to paragraph 7 of S/L/80. Pursuant to Article XXI:3(b) of the GATS and subject to completion of the procedures set out in paragraphs 20-22 of S/L/80, the EC shall be free to implement the modifications and withdrawals proposed in document S/SECRET/9.

The Report on the result of these negotiations, which is attached to this letter, includes (1) the proposed modifications in the notifications referred to above, (2) the agreed compensatory adjustments with regard to the modifications or withdrawals notified in S/SECRET/8, and (3) the draft consolidated schedule of specific commitments that results from merging existing schedules of commitments of the EC and its Member States and from inserting therein both the modifications or withdrawals of commitments notified by the EC under documents S/SECRET/8 and S/SECRET/9 and the compensatory adjustments agreed between the EC and Argentina.

This letter and Annex I and II of the report attached to it constitute the Agreement between the EC and Argentina with regard to S/SECRET/8 for purposes of Article XXI:2(a) of the GATS. The Agreement shall not be interpreted to modify the Lists of Article II Exemptions of the EC and its Member States. The Agreement shall not be interpreted to affect the Parties rights and obligations under Article VIII of the GATS.

Pursuant to the procedures referred to in paragraphs 20 to 22 of S/L/80, the EC will transmit, to the Secretariat for circulation, the draft consolidated schedule for certification by 14 September 2006, provided that an agreement has been signed with all affected Members, or the period foreseen in paragraph 7 of S/L/80 has expired, and no arbitration has been requested. The results of the negotiations are to enter into force, after completion of the certification procedures, on a date to be specified by the EC following completion of the EC's internal approval procedures, which the EC endeavours to accelerate as much as possible. The modifications and withdrawals proposed in documents S/SECRET/8 and S/SECRET/9 shall not enter into force until all of the compensatory adjustments indicated in Annex II have entered into force.

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Permanent Representative
Permanent Mission of Argentina

to the World Trade Organisation

¹ This Agreement shall not be interpreted to prejudge the outcome of separate discussions within the WTO concerning the classification of telecommunication services (basic telecommunications and value-added services).

Report on the result of the negotiations conducted in accordance of Article XXI:2(a) of the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS)

relating to

the modifications proposed in the GATS Schedules of the European Communities and its Member States (hereafter the EC) to take account of the accession of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia, the Slovak Republic, the Republic of Finland, the Kingdom of Sweden to the European Communities,

Pursuant to paragraph 5 of the Procedures for the implementation of Article XXI of the GATS (S/L/80 of 29 October 1999), the EC submits the following report:

- 1. On 28. May 2004 and on 4 April 2005, the EC submitted two respective. Communications pursuant to Article V of the GATS (circulated as document S/SECRET/8, dated 11 June 2004, and as document S/SECRET/9, dated 12 April 2005), whereby it notified its intention to modify or withdraw the specific commitments included in the list attached to the communications (hereafter "the proposed modifications"), pursuant to Article V:5 of the GATS and in accordance with the terms of Article XXI:1(b) of the GATS. The proposed modifications are contained in Annex I.
- 2. Following the submission of the notification contained in document S/SECRET/8, and pursuant to Article XXI:2(a) of the GATS, eighteen WTO Members (Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Chinese Taipei, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Hong Kong China, India, Iapan, Korea, New Zealand, the Philippines, Switzerland, Uruguay and the United States) submitted a respective claim of interest.
- 3. Following the submission of the notification contained in document S/SECRET/9, and pursuant to Article XXI:2(a) of the GATS, fourteen WTO Members (Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Ecuador, Hong Kong China, India, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, Uruguay and the United States) submitted a respective claim of interest.
- 4. Argentina submitted two respective claims of interest pursuant to Article XXI:2(a) of the GATS (S/L/175 with regard to S/SECRET/8 and S/L/228 with regard to S/SECRET/9). The EC and Argentina entered into negotiations pursuant to Article XXI:2(a) of the GATS with regard to S/SECRET/8 and S/SECRET/9.
- 5. With regard to the procedure initiated by the notification contained in document S/SECRET/8, the initial period for the negotiations, which expired on 26 October 2004, was extended (by mutual agreement) five times (until 26 April 2005, until 27 February 2006, until 1 June 2006, until 1 July and until 17 July 2006).
- 6. During such negotiations, the EC and Argentina have agreed on compensatory adjustments related to the modifications and withdrawals contained in document S/SECRET/8. Annex I and II of this report, together with the joint letter to which it is attached, constitute the Agreement between the EC and Argentina with regard to

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S/SECRET/8 for purposes of Article XXI:2(a) of the GATS. This Agreement shall not be interpreted to modify the lists of Article II Exemptions of the EC and its Member States. This Agreement shall not be interpreted to affect the Parties' rights and obligations under Article VIII of the GATS.

- 7. With regard to the procedure initiated by the notification contained in document S/SECRET/9, no agreement between the EC and Argentina was reached by the end of the period provided for negotiations and no affected Member referred the matter to arbitration within the applicable deadline pursuant to paragraph 7 of S/L/80. Pursuant to Article XXI:3(b) of the GATS and subject to completion of the procedures set out in paragraphs 20-22 of S/L/80, the EC shall be free to implement the modifications and withdrawals proposed in document S/SECRET/9.
- 8. In view of the foregoing, the proposed modifications and the agreed compensatory adjustments are incorporated into the EC's draft GATS consolidated schedule, which results from merging existing schedules of commitments of the EC and its Member States and from inserting therein both the modifications or withdrawals of commitments notified by the EC under documents S/SECRET/8 and S/SECRET/9 and the compensatory adjustments agreed between the EC and the Argentina.
- 9. Pursuant to the procedures referred to in paragraphs 20 to 22 of S/L/80, the EC will transmit, to the Secretariat for circulation, the draft consolidated schedule for certification by 14 September 2006, provided that an agreement has been signed with all affected Members, or the period foreseen in paragraph 7 of S/L/80 has expired, and no arbitration has been requested. The results of the negotiations are to enter into force, after completion of the certification procedures, on a date to be specified by the EC following completion of the EC's internal approval procedures, which the EC endeavours to accelerate as much as possible. The modifications and withdrawals proposed in documents S/SECRET/8 and S/SECRET/9 shall not enter into force until all of the compensatory adjustments indicated in Annex II have entered into force.

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¹ This Agreement shall not be interpreted to prejudge the outcome of separate discussions within the WTO concerning the classification of telecommunication services (basic telecommunications and value-added services).

ANNEX I

A) Modifications notified in document S/SECRET/8:

Horizontal Commitments

- Market access entry (page 9): "In all EC Member States services considered as public utilities at a national or local level may be subject to public menopolies or to exclusive rights granted to private operators". This entry was not included in the schedule of specific commitments of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Austria, Poland, Slovenia, Slovakia, Finland and Sweden. This limitation now applies to all Member States.
- National treatment limitations on branches, agencies and representative offices under mode 3:
 (pages 9 and 10). This entry was not included in the schedule of specific commitments of the
 Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Slovenia and Slovakia. This limitation
 now applies to all Member States.
- National treatment limitations on subsidiaries under mode 3 (page 10). This entry was not included in the schedule of specific commitments of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia. This limitation now applies to all Member States.
- National treatment limitations on subsidies under mode 3 (page 13). The schedule of specific commitments of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Austria, Slovenia, Slovakia, Finland and Sweden included only part of the limitations on subsidies on mode 3 inscribed in the schedule of the EC and its Member States. These limitations are now extended to these Member States.
- National treatment limitation on subsidies under mode 4 (page 13). The schedule of specific
 commitments of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Hungary, Malta and Slovakia did
 not include the limitation on subsidies under mode 4 inscribed in the schedule of the EC and its
 Member States. This limitation is now extended to these Member States.
- Cyprus' market access commitments on mode 4. These commitments are withdrawn.
- Market access entry on mode 4 Intra-company transfers (ICT) (page 26). The schedule of specific commitments of the Czech Republic, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia did not include the limitation that the receiving entity must be effectively providing like services in the territory of the Community Member State concerned. This limitation is now extended to these Member States.
- Market access entry on mode 4 Business visitors (BV) service sellers (page 30). The
 schedule of specific commitments of Poland did not include the limitation that those
 representatives will not be engaged in making direct sales to the general public. This limitation
 is now extended to this Member State.
- Market access entry on mode 4 Business visitors (BV) establishment of commercial presence (page 30). The schedule of specific commitments of Lithuania did not include the limitation that those representatives will not be engaged in making direct sales to the general public or supplying services. This limitation is now extended to this Member State.

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- Lithuania's market access commitments on mode 4 Business visitors (BV) (page 32). These
 commitments are partially withdrawn.
- Latvia's market access commitment on mode 4 contractual services suppliers (CSS) (page 33).

 The schedule of specific commitments of Latvia did not include the limitation that the temporary entry and stay within the Member State concerned shall be for a period of not more than three months in any 12 months period. This limitation is now extended to this Member State.

Sectoral commitments

- Rental/Leasing services without operators Relating to Aircraft (page 95). The market access
 limitation under mode 2 is extended to Estonia, Lithuania, Hungary, Austria, Slovenia, Finland
 and Sweden and the market access limitation under mode 3 is extended to Estonia, Hungary and
 Austria
- Services incidental to manufacturing (pages 109 and 110). The commitments included in the schedule of Latvia, Lithuania and Austria are withdrawn.
- Education services (page 156): limitation to "only privately funded services". This limitation
 was not included in the schedule of Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Austria, Slovenia (only
 not included with regard to adult education services) and Slovakia. This limitation is now
 extended to these Member States. In the case of Slovenia, such an extension only refers to adult
 education services.
- Banking and other financial services (excluding insurance) (pages 193, 213 and 217). The market access limitations indicating that "the establishment of a specialised management company is required to perform the activities of management of unit trusts and investment companies" and that "only firms having their registered office in the Community can act as depositories of the assets of investment funds", both under mode 1 and 3, were not included in depositories of Czech Republic as regards mode 3, Estonia (not included in mode 1 nor in mode 3), Latvia as regards mode 3, Lithuania as regards mode 1, Hungary as regards mode 3 and Slovakia as regards mode 3. These limitations are now extended to these Member States.
- Space Transport. The commitment included in the schedule of Austria is withdrawn.
- Air Transport Rental of aircraft with crew (page 246). Two market access limitations (one
 under modes 1 and 2 and another one under mode 3) are introduced for Poland.
- Air Transport Sales and Marketing (pages 247 and 248). The schedule of specific commitments of Estonia did not include the national treatment limitation on distribution through CRS of air transport services provided by CRS parent carrier.
- Air Transport Computer Reservations System (page 248). The schedule of specific commitments of Hungary did not include the national treatment limitation on the obligations of parent or participating carriers in respect of a CRS controlled by an air carrier of one or more third countries.
- Services auxiliary to all modes of transport Cargo handling services (page 259). A market
 access limitation under mode 3 has been introduced for Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.

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B) Modifications notified in document S/SECRET/9:

Horizontal Commitments

 Cyprus' and Malta's commitments on mode 4 under national treatment (pages 25, 29 and 32 of S/SECRET/8). These commitments are withdrawn.

Sectoral commitments

- Computer and Related Services a)Consultancy Services related to the Installation of Computer Hardware (CPC 841) (page 82) b) Software Implementation Services (CPC 842) (page 83) c)
 Data Processing Services (CPC 843) (page 85) d) Data Base Services (CPC 844) (page 86).
 Cyprus' commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.
- Research and Development Services b) R & D Services on Social Sciences and Humanities
 (CPC 852) (pages 89 and 90). Cyprus' commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under
 national treatment are withdrawn.
- Insurance and Insurance-Related Services (i) Direct insurance (including to-insurance): (a) life and (b) non-life (pages 211 and 212). Cyprus' commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.
- Banking and Other Financial Services (excluding insurance) (x) (e) transferable securities (page 223). Cyprus' commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.
- Hotels, Restaurants and Catering (CPC 641,642 and 643) (page 232). Malta's commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.
- Travel Agencies and Tour Operators Services (CPC 7471) (pages 233 and 234): Malta's commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.
- Maritime transport services excluding cabotage transport (a) Passenger transportation (CPC 7211); (b)Freight transportation (CPC 7212) (page 242). Malta's commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.

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ANNEX II

COMPENSATION BY THE EC

Mode 3 horizontal limitation on public utilities

- Footnote on coverage indicating that this limitation does not apply telecommunication and computer and related services.

Mode 3 horizontal limitations on investment

Removal of the national treatment limitation for AT in Mode 3 on branches of foreign joint stock companies (Aktiengesellschaften) and limited liability companies (Gesellschaften mit beschränkter Haftung).

Mode 4 for intra-corporate transferees and business visitors

- Market Access and National Treatment commitments by CY and MT in the horizontal section and in the sector-specific section in the sectors where CY and MT have undertaken Mode 3 commitments.
- Professional services Engineering services (CPC 8672)
 - Market Access and National Treatment Commitments by CY and MT in Mode 2
 - Market Access commitments by CY, CZ, MT & SK în Mode 3
 - National Treatment commitments by CY and MT in Mode 3
 - Removal of the market access limitation for PT in mode 3
- Professional services Integrated Engineering Services (CPC 8673):
 - Removal of the ENT applied on Mode 4/CSS by the UK
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by SK in Mode 3
- Professional services Urban planning and landscape architectural services (CPC 8674):
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by CY, CZ, MT, PL, SI & SK in
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by HU on Landscape Architectural Services in Mode 2.
- Computer and related services -
 - Addition of a clarificatory footnote.
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by HU in Modes 1, 2 & 3 for CPC 845 and 849
 - Improved conditions for CSS/Mode 4 by SE for computer and related services in the horizontal section and new commitments by SE for CSS/Mode 4 for CPC 845 and
- Advertising services (CPC 871): .
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by CY, MT & PL in Mode I
- Telecommunication services
 - New and improved commitments by the entire EC as offered in its revised DDA offer.
 - A clarification from FI that its three Mode 3 horizontal limitations on legal entities under market access, on subsidiaries, branches, agencies and representative offices under national treatment, and on investment under market access do not apply to telecommunications services.
 - A clarificatory footnote indicating that Sub-sectors 2.C.h) to 2.C.m) of the Services Sectoral Classification List contained in MTN, GNS/W/120 (value-added services) and Sub-sectors 2.C.a) to 2.C.g) of that List are included here. Sub-sector 2.C.o) of that

List is also included here to the extent that it falls under this definition. For the purpose of this schedule, subsector 2C.n of that list (on-line information and/or data processing) is reflected in this schedule of Commitments under 1.B (Computer and related services).

Financial services (insurance services):

Removal of part of the market access limitations for SK in Mode 3

Financial services (banking)

FI: change in Mode 3 permanent residency requirements ("At least one of the founders, the members of the board of directors, the supervisory board and managing director shall have their permanent residence in the European Community..." instead of "At least one half of the founders, the members of board of directors, the supervisory board and the delegates, the managing director, the holder of the procuration and the person entitled to sign in the name of the credit institution shall have their place of residence in the European Community...").

Hotels, Restaurants and Catering

New (less restrictive) language for IT's ENT in mode 3 on bars, cafes and restaurants, including a commitment on its non-discriminatory nature.

Travel Agencies and Tour Operators Services Removal of the ENT applied on Mode 3 by the CZ

Hairdressing services

Market Access and National Treatment commitments by CZ, FI, HU and SK . Modes 2 & 3

The following abbreviations are used to indicate the Member States:

Austria ΑT

Belgium BE

Cyprus CY

Czech Republic CZ.

Germany DE

Denmark DK

Estonia EE

Greece EL

Spain ES

Finland Fl

France FR

Hungary HU

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IT Italy.

LT Lithuania

Luxembourg ՆՍ

Latvia LV

Malta MT

The Netherlands NL

Poland PL

Portugal PT

Sweden SE

SI. Slovenia

SK Slovak Republic
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- Rental/Leasing services without operators Relating to Aircraft (page 95). The market access
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- Services incidental to manufacturing (pages 109 and 110). The commitments included in the
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ANNEX II

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Mode 3 horizontal limitation on public utilities

- Footnote on coverage indicating that this limitation does not apply to telecommunication and computer and related services.
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- Improved conditions for CSS/Mode 4 by SE for computer and related services in the horizontal section and new commitments by SE for CSS/Mode 4 for CPC 845 and 849.
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ANNEX II

COMPENSATION BY THE EC

Mode 3 horizontal limitation on public utilities

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 - Market Access commitments by CY, CZ, MT & SK in Mode 3
 - National Treatment commitments by CY and MT in Mode 3
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 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by CY, CZ, MT, PL, SI & SK in
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by HU on Landscape Architectural Services in Mode 2.
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 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by CY, MT & PL in Mode 1
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 - Removal of part of the market access limitations for SK in Mode 3
- Financial services (banking)
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 - New (less restrictive) language for IT's ENT in mode 3 on bars, cafes and restaurants, including a commitment on its non-discriminatory nature.
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- Hairdressing services
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The following abbreviations are used to indicate the Member States:

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- CY Cyprus
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- DK. Denmark
- EE Estonia
- EL Greece
- ES Spain
- FI Finland
- FR France
- HU Hungary
 IE Ireland
- TE ITEIANN
- IT Italy
- LT Lithuania
- LU Luxembourg
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EE Estonia

EL Greece

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FI Finland

FR France

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IT Italy

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Joint letter from the European Communities and its Member States on the one part, and Ecuador, on the other part, pursuant to paragraph 5 of the Procedures for the implementation of Article XXI of the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) (S/L/80 of 29 October 1999)

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ANNEX I

A) Modifications notified in document S/SECRET/8:

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 a national or local level may be subject to public monopolies or to exclusive rights granted to
 private operators". This entry was not included in the schedule of specific commitments of the
 Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Austria, Poland, Slovenia,
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 all Member States.
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 commitments of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Austria,
 Slovenia, Slovakia, Finland and Sweden included only part of the limitations on subsidies on
 mode 3 inscribed in the schedule of the EC and its Member States. These limitations are now
 extended to these Member States.
- National treatment limitation on subsidies under mode 4 (page 13). The schedule of specific
 commitments of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Hungary, Malta and Slovakia did
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- Market access entry on mode 4 Intra-company transfers (ICT) (page 26). The schedule of
 specific commitments of the Czech Republic, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia
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 these Member States.
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 schedule of specific commitments of Poland did not include the limitation that those
 representatives will not be engaged in making direct sales to the general public. This limitation
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- Market access entry on mode 4 Business visitors (BV) establishment of commercial presence (page 30). The schedule of specific commitments of Lithuania did not include the limitation that those representatives will not be engaged in making direct sales to the general public or supplying services. This limitation is now extended to this Member State.

- Lithuania's market access commitments on mode 4 Business visitors (BV) (page 32). These
 commitments are partially withdrawn.
- Latvia's market access commitment on mode 4 contractual services suppliers (CSS) (page 33).
 The schedule of specific commitments of Latvia did not include the limitation that the temporary entry and stay within the Member State concerned shall be for a period of not more than three months in any 12 months period. This limitation is now extended to this Member State.

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- Rental/Leasing services without operators Relating to Aircraft (page 95). The market access
 limitation under mode 2 is extended to Estonia, Lithuania, Hungary, Austria, Slovenia, Finland
 and Sweden and the market access limitation under mode 3 is extended to Estonia, Hungary and
 Austria.
- Services incidental to manufacturing (pages 109 and 110). The commitments included in the schedule of Latvia, Lithuania and Austria are withdrawn.
- Education services (page 156): limitation to "only privately funded services". This limitation was not included in the schedule of Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Austria, Slovenia (only not included with regard to adult education services) and Slovakia. This limitation is now extended to these Member States. In the case of Slovenia, such an extension only refers to adult education services.
- Banking and other financial services (excluding insurance) (pages 193, 213 and 217). The market access limitations indicating that "the establishment of a specialised management company is required to perform the activities of management of unit trusts and investment companies" and that "only firms having their registered office in the Community can act as depositories of the assets of investment funds", both under mode 1 and 3, were not included in the schedule of Czech Republic as regards mode 3, Estonia (not included in mode 1 nor in mode 3), Latvia as regards mode 3, Lithuania as regards mode 1, Hungary as regards mode 3 and Slovakia as regards mode 3. These limitations are now extended to these Member States.
- Space Transport. The commitment included in the schedule of Austria is withdrawn.
- Air Transport Rental of aircraft with crew (page 246). Two market access limitations (one
 under modes 1 and 2 and another one under mode 3) are introduced for Poland.
- Air Transport Sales and Marketing (pages 247 and 248). The schedule of specific commitments of Estonia did not include the national treatment limitation on distribution through CRS of air transport services provided by CRS parent carrier.
- Air Transport Computer Reservations System (page 248). The schedule of specific
 commitments of Hungary did not include the national treatment limitation on the obligations of
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- Services auxiliary to all modes of transport Cargo handling services (page 259). A market
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 Cyprus' and Malta's commitments on mode 4 under national treatment (pages 25, 29 and 32 of S/SECRET/8). These commitments are withdrawn.

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ANNEX II

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- Greece EL
- Spam ES
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- Hungary HU
- Ircland Œ
- Italy т
- Lithuania LT
- Luxembourg LU
- Latvia LV
- Malta MT
- The Netherlands NL
- Poland PL
- Portugal PT
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ANNEX I

A) Modifications notified in document S/SECRET/8:

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 (pages 9 and 10). This entry was not included in the schedule of specific commitments of the
 Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Slovenia and Slovakia. This limitation
 now applies to all Member States.
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 Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia. This limitation now applies to
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 commitments of the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Hungary, Malta and Slovakia did
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 Member States. This limitation is now extended to these Member States.
- Cyprus' market access commitments on mode 4. These commitments are withdrawn.
- Market access entry on mode 4 Intra-company transfers (ICT) (page 26). The schedule of
 specific commitments of the Czech Republic, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia
 did not include the limitation that the receiving entity must be effectively providing like services
 in the territory of the Community Member State concerned. This limitation is now extended to
 these Member States.
- Market access entry on mode 4 Business visitors (BV) service sellers (page 30). The
 schedule of specific commitments of Poland did not include the limitation that those
 representatives will not be engaged in making direct sales to the general public. This limitation
 is now extended to this Member State.
- Market access entry on mode 4 Business visitors (BV) establishment of commercial presence (page 30). The schedule of specific commitments of Lithuania did not include the limitation that those representatives will not be engaged in making direct sales to the general public or supplying services. This limitation is now extended to this Member State.

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- Lithuania's market access commitments on mode 4 Business visitors (BV) (page 32). These
 commitments are partially withdrawn.
- Latvia's market access commitment on mode 4 contractual services suppliers (CSS) (page 33).
 The schedule of specific commitments of Latvia did not include the limitation that the temporary entry and stay within the Member State concerned shall be for a period of not more than three months in any 12 months period. This limitation is now extended to this Member State.

Sectoral commitments

- Rental/Leasing services without operators Relating to Aircraft (page 95). The market access
 limitation under mode 2 is extended to Estonia, Lithuania, Hungary, Austria, Slovenia, Finland
 and Sweden and the market access limitation under mode 3 is extended to Estonia, Hungary and
 Austria.
- Services incidental to manufacturing (pages 109 and 110). The commitments included in the schedule of Latvia, Lithuania and Austria are withdrawn.
- Education services (page 156): limitation to "only privately funded services". This limitation
 was not included in the schedule of Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Austria, Slovenia (only
 not included with regard to adult education services) and Slovakia. This limitation is now
 extended to these Member States. In the case of Slovenia, such an extension only refers to adult
 education services.
- Banking and other financial services (excluding insurance) (pages 193, 213 and 217). The market access limitations indicating that "the establishment of a specialised management company is required to perform the activities of management of unit trusts and investment companies" and that "only firms having their registered office in the Community can act as depositories of the assets of investment funds", both under mode 1 and 3, were not included in the schedule of Czech Republic as regards mode 3, Estonia (not included in mode 1 nor in mode 3), Latvia as regards mode 3, Lithuania as regards mode 1, Hungary as regards mode 3 and Slovakia as regards mode 3. These limitations are now extended to these Member States.
- Space Transport. The commitment included in the schedule of Austria is withdrawn.
- Air Transport Rental of aircraft with crew (page 246). Two market access limitations (one under modes 1 and 2 and another one under mode 3) are introduced for Poland.
- Air Transport Sales and Marketing (pages 247 and 248). The schedule of specific commitments of Estonia did not include the national treatment limitation on distribution through CRS of air transport services provided by CRS parent carrier.
- Air Transport Computer Reservations System (page 248). The schedule of specific
 commitments of Hungary did not include the national treatment limitation on the obligations of
 parent or participating carriers in respect of a CRS controlled by an air carrier of one or more
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- Services auxiliary to all modes of transport Cargo handling services (page 259). A market access limitation under mode 3 has been introduced for Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.

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Cyprus' and Malta's commitments on mode 4 under national treatment (pages 25, 29 and 32 of S/SECRET/8). These commitments are withdrawn.

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- Computer and Related Services a)Consultancy Services related to the Installation of Computer
 Hardware (CPC 841) (page 82) b) Software Implementation Services (CPC 842) (page 83) c)
 Data Processing Services (CPC 843) (page 85) d) Data Base Services (CPC 844) (page 86).
 Cyprus' commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.
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ANNEX II

COMPENSATION BY THE EC

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 - Footnote on coverage indicating that this limitation does not apply to telecommunication and computer and related services.
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- Professional services Engineering services (CPC 8672)
 - Market Access and National Treatment Commitments by CY and MT in Mode 2
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- ... Professional services Urban planning and landscape architectural services (CPC 8674):
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- Computer and related services -
 - Addition of a clarificatory footnote.
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Joint letter from the European Communities and its Member States on the one part, and Switzerland, on the other part, pursuant to paragraph 5 of the Procedures for the implementation of Article XXI of the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS) (S/L/80 of 29 October 1999)

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- Lithuania's market access commitments on mode 4 Business visitors (BV) (page 32). These
 commitments are partially withdrawn.
- Latvia's market access commitment on mode 4 contractual services suppliers (CSS) (page 33).
 The schedule of specific commitments of Latvia did not include the limitation that the temporary entry and stay within the Member State concerned shall be for a period of not more than three months in any 12 months period. This limitation is now extended to this Member State.

Sectoral commitments

- Rental/Leasing services without operators Relating to Aircraft (page 95). The market access limitation under mode 2 is extended to Estonia, Lithuania, Hungary, Austria, Slovenia, Finland and Sweden and the market access limitation under mode 3 is extended to Estonia, Hungary and Austria.
- Services incidental to manufacturing (pages 109 and 110). The commitments included in the schedule of Latvia, Lithuania and Austria are withdrawn.
- Education services (page 156): limitation to "only privately funded services". This limitation
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 not included with regard to adult education services) and Slovakia. This limitation is now
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Horizontal Commitments

Cyprus' and Malta's commitments on mode 4 under national treatment (pages 25, 29 and 32 of S/SECRET/8). These commitments are withdrawn.

Sectoral commitments

- Computer and Related Services a)Consultancy Services related to the Installation of Computer Hardware (CPC 841) (page 82) b) Software Implementation Services (CPC 842) (page 83) c)
 Data Processing Services (CPC 843) (page 85) d) Data Base Services (CPC 844) (page 86).
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- Hotels, Restaurants and Catering (CPC 641,642 and 643) (page 232). Malta's commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.
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- Maritime transport services excluding cabotage transport (a) Passenger transportation (CPC 7211); (b)Freight transportation (CPC 7212) (page 242). Malta's commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.

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ANNEX II

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Mode 3 horizontal limitation on public utilities

- Footnote on coverage indicating that this limitation does not apply telecommunication and computer and related services.

Mode 3 horizontal limitations on investment

- Removal of the national treatment limitation for AT in Mode 3 on branches of foreign joint stock companies (Aktiengesellschaften) and limited liability companies (Gesellschaften mit beschränkter Haffung).
- Mode 4 for intra-corporate transferees and business visitors
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by CY and MT in the horizontal section and in the sector-specific section in the sectors where CY and MT have undertaken Mode 3 commitments.
- Professional services Engineering services (CPC 8672)
 - Market Access and National Treatment Commitments by CY and MT in Mode 2
 - Market Access commitments by CY, CZ, MT & SK in Mode 3
 - National Treatment commitments by CY and MT in Mode 3
 - Removal of the market access limitation for PT in mode 3
- Professional services Integrated Engineering Services (CPC 8673):
 - Removal of the ENT applied on Mode 4/CSS by the UK
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by SK in Mode 3
- Professional services Urban planning and landscape architectural services (CPC 8674):
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by CY, CZ, MT, PL, SI & SK in
 - Mode 3. Market Access and National Treatment commitments by HU on Landscape Architectural Services in Mode 2.
- Computer and related services -
 - Addition of a clarificatory footnote.
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by HU in Modes 1, 2 & 3 for
 - Improved conditions for CSS/Mode 4 by SE for computer and related services in the horizontal section and new commitments by SE for CSS/Mode 4 for CPC 845 and
- Advertising services (CPC 871):
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by CY, MT & PL in Mode 1
- Telecommunication services
 - New and improved commitments by the entire EC as offered in its revised DDA offer.
 - A clarification from FI that its three Mode 3 horizontal limitations on legal entities under market access, on subsidiaries, branches, agencies and representative offices under national treatment, and on investment under market access do not apply to telecommunications services.
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 - Removal of part of the market access limitations for SK in Mode 3
- Financial services (banking)
 - FI: change in Mode 3 permanent residency requirements ("At least one of the founders, the members of the board of directors, the supervisory board and the managing director shall have their permanent residence in the European Community..." instead of "At least one half of the founders, the members of the board of directors, the supervisory board and the delegates, the managing director, the holder of the procuration and the person entitled to sign in the name of the credit institution shall have their place of residence in the European Community...").
- Hotels, Restaurants and Catering
 - New (less restrictive) language for IT's ENT in mode 3 on bars, cafes and restaurants, including a commitment on its non-discriminatory nature.
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 - Removal of the ENT applied on Mode 3 by the CZ
- Hairdressing services
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by CZ, FI, HU and SK in Modes 2 & 3

The following abbreviations are used to indicate the Member States:

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- CY Cypitus
- CZ Czech Republic
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- Market access entry on mode 4 Business visitors (BV) establishment of commercial presence
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 those representatives will not be engaged in making direct sales to the general public or
 supplying services. This limitation is now extended to this Member State.

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- Lithnania's market access commitments on mode 4 Business visitors (BV) (page 32). These
 commitments are partially withdrawn.
- Latvin's market access commitment on mode 4 contractual services suppliers (CSS) (page 33).

 The schedule of specific commitments of Latvia did not include the limination that the temporary entry and stay within the Member State concerned shall be for a period of not more than three months in any 12 months period. This limitation is now extended to this Member State.

Sectoral commitments

- Rental/Leasing services without operators Relating to Aircraft (page 95). The market access
 limitation under mode 2 is extended to Estonia, Lithuania, Hungary, Austria, Slovenia, Finland
 and Sweden and the market access limitation under mode 3 is extended to Estonia, Hungary and
 Aprilia
- Services incidental to manufacturing (pages 109 and 110). The commitments included in the schedule of Latvia, Lithuania and Austria are withdrawn.
- Education services (page 156): limitation to "only privately funded services". This limitation
 was not included in the schedule of Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Austria, Slovenia (only
 not included with regard to adult education services) and Slovekia. This limitation is nowextended to these Member States. In the case of Slovenia, such an extension only refers to adult
 education services.
- Banking and other financial services (excluding insurance) (pages 193, 213 and 217). The market access limitations indicating that "the establishment of a specialised management company is required to perform the activities of management of unit trusts and investment companies" and that "only firms having their registered office in the Community can act as depositories of the assets of investment funds", both under mode 1 and 3, were not included in the schedule of Czech Republic as regards mode 3, Estonia (not included in mode 1 nor in mode 3), Latvia as regards mode 3, Lithuania as regards mode 1, Hungary as regards mode 3 and Slovakia as regards mode 3. These limitations are now extended to these Member States.
- Space Transport. The commitment included in the schedule of Austria is withdrawn.
- Air Transport Rental of aircraft with crew (page 246). Two market access limitations (one
 under modes 1 and 2 and another one under mode 3) are introduced for Poland.
- Air Transport Sales and Marketing (pages 247 and 248). The schedule of specific commitments of Estonia did not include the national treatment limitation on distribution through CRS of air transport services provided by CRS parent carrier.
- Air Transport Computer Reservations System (page 248). The schedule of specific commitments of Hungary did not include the national treatment limitation on the obligations of parent or participating carriers in respect of a CRS controlled by an air carrier of one or more third countries.
- Services auxiliary to all modes of transport Cargo handling services (page 259). A market
 access limitation under mode 3 has been introduced for Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.

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B) Modifications notified in document S/SECRET/9:

Horizontal Commitments

 Cyprus' and Malta's commitments on mode 4 under national treatment (pages 25, 29 and 32 of S/SECRET/8). These commitments are withdrawn.

Sectoral commitments

- Computer and Related Services.- a)Consultancy Services related to the Installation of Computer
 Hardware (CPC 841) (page 82) b) Software Implementation Services (CPC 842) (page 83) c)
 Data Processing Services (CPC 843) (page 85) d) Data Base Services (CPC 844) (page 86).
 Cyprus' commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.
- Research and Development Services b) R & D Services on Social Sciences and Humanities (CPC 852) (pages 89 and 90). Cyprus' commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.
- Insurance and Insurance-Related Services (i) Direct insurance (including co-insurance): (a) life
 and (b) non-life (pages 211 and 212). Cyprus' commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS)
 under national treatment are withdrawn.
- Banking and Other Financial Services (excluding insurance) (x) (e) transferable securities (page 223). Cyprus' commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.
- Hotels, Restaurants and Catering (CPC 641,642 and 643) (page 232). Maita's commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.
- Travel Agencies and Tour Operators Services (CPC 7471) (pages 233 and 234). Malta's commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.
- Manitime transport services excluding cabotage transport (a) Passenger transportation (CPC 7211); (b)Freight transportation (CPC 7212) (page 242). Malta's commitments on mode 4 (ICT, BV and CSS) under national treatment are withdrawn.

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ANNEX II

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Mode 3 horizontal limitation on public wilities

Footnote on coverage indicating that this limitation does not apply to telecommunication and computer and related services.

Mode 3 horizontal limitations on investment

Removal of the national treatment limitation for AT in Mode 3 on branches of foreign joint stock companies (Aktiengesellschaften) and limited liability companies (Gesellschaften mit beschränkter Haftung).

Mode 4 for intra-corporate transferees and business visitors

Market Access and National Treatment commitments by CY and MT in the horizontal section and in the sector-specific section in the sectors where CY and MT have undertaken Mode 3 commitments.

Professional services - Engineering services (CPC 8672)

- Market Access and National Treatment Commitments by CY and MT in Mode 2
- Market Access commitments by CY, CZ, MT & SK in Mode 3
- National Treatment commitments by CY and MT in Mode 3
- Removal of the market access limitation for PT in mode 3

Professional services - Integrated Engineering Services (CPC 8673):

Removal of the ENT applied on Mode 4/CSS by the UK

- Market Access and National Treatment commitments by SK in Mode 3
- Professional services Urban planning and landscape architectural services (CPC 8674):
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by CY, CZ, MT, PL, SI & SK in Mode 3.
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by HU on Landscape Architectural Services in Mode 2.

Computer and related services -

Addition of a clarificatory footnote.

Market Access and National Treatment commitments by HU in Modes 1, 2 & 3 for

- Improved conditions for CSS/Mode 4 by SE for computer and related services in the horizontal section and new commitments by SE for CSS/Mode 4 for CPC 845 and
- Advertising services (CPC 871):
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by CY, MT & PL in Mode 1

Telecommunication services

- New and improved commitments by the entire RC as offered in its revised DDA offer.
- A clarification from FI that its three Mode 3 horizontal limitations on legal emities under market access, on subsidiaries, branches, agencies and representative offices under national treatment, and on investment under market access do not apply to telecommunications services.

A clarificatory footnote indicating that Sub-sectors 2.C.h) to 2.C.m) of the Services Sectoral Classification List contained in MTN, GNS/W/120 (value-added services) and Sub-sectors 2.C.a) to 2.C.g) of that List are included here. Sub-sector 2.C.o) of that

List is also included here to the extent that it falls under this definition. For the purpose of this schedule, subsector 2C.n of that list (on-line information and/or data processing) is reflected in this schedule of Commitments under 1.B (Computer and related services).

Financial services (insurance services):

Removal of part of the market access limitations for SK in Mode 3

Financial services (banking)

- FI: change in Mode 3 permanent residency requirements ("At least one of the founders, the members of the board of directors, the supervisory board and the managing director shall have their permanent residence in the European Community..." instead of "At least one half of the founders, the members of the board of directors, the supervisory board and the delegates, the managing director, the holder of the procuration and the person entitled to sign in the name of the credit institution shall have their place of residence in the European Community...").
- Hotels, Restaurants and Catering
 - New (less restrictive) language for IT's ENT in mode 3 on bars, cafes and restaurants, including a commitment on its non-distriminating nature.
- Travel Agencies and Tour Operators Services
 - Removal of the ENT applied on Mode 3 by the CZ
- Hairdressing services
 - Market Access and National Treatment commitments by CZ, FI, HU and SK in Modes 2 & 3

The following abbreviations are used to indicate the Member States:

- AT Austria
- BE Belgium
- CY Cyprus
- CZ Czech Republic
- DE Gennany
- DK Denmark
- EE Estonia EL Greece
- EL Greece ES Spain
- FI Finland
- FR France
- HU Hungary
- IE Ireland
- IT Itely
- LT Litiuania
- LU Luxcrubourg
- LV Latvia
- MT Maita
- NL The Netherlands
- PL Poland
- PT Portugal
- SE Sweden
- SI Slovenia
- SK Slovak Republic
- UK United Kingdom

