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SUB-COMMITTEE ON SERVICES

VERIFICATION OF SCHEDULES

Mali, Saint Kitts and Nevis and the United Arab Emirates

It was announced by the Chairman of the Preparatory Committee at the Committee's meeting of 25 October that the Governments of Mali, Saint Kitts and Nevis and the United Arab Emirates had submitted schedules of commitments on Services and lists of Article II exemptions pursuant to paragraph 8(b)(i) of the Ministerial Decision on the establishment of the Preparatory Committee. The relevant documents are as follows:

Mali: Schedule of Specific Commitments and List of Article II (MFN) Exemptions. PC/W/7, 28 October 1994.

Saint Kitts and Nevis: Schedule of Specific Commitments. PC/W/5, 25 October 1994.

United Arab Emirates: Schedule of Specific Commitments and List of Article II (MFN) Exemptions. PC/W/6, 25 October 1994.

As agreed by the Preparatory Committee (PC/M/2, Paragraph 20) the Sub-Committee on Services will carry out the verification of Schedules and Exemptions Lists, following the conclusion of bilateral negotiations. Countries wishing to negotiate or consult with any of the three countries mentioned above on the substantive content of their schedules and exemption list should make bilateral contact with them as soon as possible. The verification process is concerned only with the technical accuracy and legal clarity of the texts.

In the cases of Saint Kitts and the United Arab Emirates it is necessary for the schedules to be verified and approved before the end of the year in order for these countries to become founder members of the WTO. As a least developed country, Mali has until 15 April 1995 to conclude this process.

Countries wishing to raise questions pertaining to the verification of these schedules and exemption lists should send them to the Secretariat, which will forward them to the respective governments and coordinate the distribution of questions and responses. If necessary a meeting will be organized at which responses to written questions could be discussed and further questions raised orally. Written questions should be submitted by 25 November.

This question will appear on the Agenda of the meeting of the Sub-Committee on Services on 29 November, when a decision will be taken as to the need for and timing of a meeting at which the schedules would be discussed.