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PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO APPENDIX I OF THE KINGDOM OF THE NETHERLANDS WITH RESPECT TO ARUBA UNDER THE REVISED AGREEMENT ON GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT

COMMUNICATION FROM THE KINGDOM OF THE NETHERLANDS WITH RESPECT TO ARUBA PURSUANT TO ARTICLE XIX:1¹ OF THE REVISED AGREEMENT ON GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT

The following communication, dated 4 July 2014, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of the Kingdom of the Netherlands with respect to Aruba.

1. Pursuant to paragraph 1(b) of Article XIX of the revised Agreement on Government Procurement (hereinafter "the revised Agreement"), the Kingdom of the Netherlands with respect to Aruba hereby notifies the Committee on Government Procurement of the following modifications of a purely formal nature to its Appendix I of the revised Agreement. They are proposed in order to facilitate the correct incorporation of the Annexes to Appendix I of the Kingdom of the Netherlands with respect to Aruba into the system of loose-leaf schedules. These modifications are consistent with the formatting rules outlined in GPA/W/326 and an Annex 7 to Appendix I is added for consistency and clarification purposes only.

2. The proposed modifications do not alter the level of mutually agreed coverage provided in the revised Agreement.

3. Attachment A to this document shows (in strikeout or underlining) the proposed modifications by the Kingdom of the Netherlands with respect to Aruba as compared to the corresponding pages of Appendix I as set out in document GPA/113 of 2 April 2012. Attachment B indicates how these pages would appear after the proposed modifications have been accepted.²

¹ Article XIX:1 reads as follows: *Notification of Proposed Modification* A Party shall notify the Committee of any proposed rectification, transfer of an entity from one annex to another, withdrawal of an entity or other modification of its annexes to Appendix I (any of which is hereinafter referred to as "modification"). The Party proposing the modification (hereinafter referred to as "modifying Party") shall include in the notification: (a) for any proposed withdrawal of an entity from its annexes to Appendix I in exercise of its rights on the grounds that government control or influence over the entity's covered procurement has been effectively eliminated, evidence of such elimination; or (b) for any other proposed modification, information as to the likely consequences of the change for the mutually agreed coverage provided for in this Agreement.

² Attachments A and B are in English only.

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