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## PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO APPENDIX I OF HONG KONG, CHINA UNDER THE REVISED AGREEMENT ON GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT

## COMMUNICATION FROM HONG KONG, CHINA PURSUANT TO ARTICLE XIX: 1<sup>1</sup> OF THE REVISED AGREEMENT ON GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT

The following communication, dated 25 January 2016, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Hong Kong, China.

1. Pursuant to paragraph 1 of Article XIX of the revised Agreement on Government Procurement (hereinafter "the revised Agreement"), Hong Kong, China hereby notifies the Committee on Government Procurement of the following modification of a purely formal or minor nature relating to Annex 1 to Appendix I of the revised Agreement:

- Rename the entity "Student Financial Assistance Agency" to "Student Finance Office", as shown in the attachments.
- 2. The above-mentioned modification is the result of the following organizational change:
  - On 1 March 2015, the "Student Financial Assistance Agency", which is listed in Annex 1, was renamed the "Student Finance Office".

3. The above modification does not alter the level of mutually agreed coverage provided in the revised Agreement.

4. Attachment A to this document shows (in bold, strikeout or underlining) the proposed modification by Hong Kong, China to the corresponding page (page 2/2) of Annex 1 to Appendix I. Attachment B indicates how this page would appear after the proposed modification has been accepted.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Attachments A and B are in English only.

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