

**Working Party on the
Accession of China**

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COMMUNICATION FROM CHINA

The following documents¹, dated 11 December 2000, have been received from the Chinese delegation with the request that they be circulated to the members of the Working Party:

- draft List of Specific Commitments in Services;
 - draft List of GATS Article II Exemptions.
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**Groupe de travail de
l'accession de la Chine**

COMMUNICATION DE LA CHINE

La délégation chinoise a fait parvenir au Secrétariat les documents ci-après¹, datés du 11 décembre 2000, en lui demandant de les distribuer aux membres du Groupe de travail:

- projet de liste d'engagements spécifiques concernant les services;
 - projet de liste d'exemptions des obligations énoncées à l'article II de l'AGCS.
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**Grupo de Trabajo sobre la
Adhesión de China**

COMUNICACIÓN DE CHINA

Se han recibido de la delegación de China los siguientes documentos¹, de fecha 11 de diciembre de 2000, con el ruego de que se distribuyan a los miembros del Grupo de Trabajo:

- Proyecto de Lista de compromisos específicos sobre servicios;
- Proyecto de Lista de exenciones al artículo II del AGCS.

¹ In English only./En anglais seulement./En inglés solamente.

CHINA – DRAFT LIST OF SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS

(11 December 2000)

NOTE

1. This draft List of Specific Commitments of China is prepared taking into account of the principles and rules provided in the GATS and reflecting the best offer China has made to members of the Working Party in bilateral negotiations.
2. This document may contain technical errors, misprints and/or omissions. China therefore reserves the right to make amendments and/or corrections to this draft List of Specific Commitments to rectify any errors, misprints and /or omissions.

CHINA – SCHEDULE OF SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS
11 December 2000

Modes of supply: **(1) Cross-border supply** **(2) Consumption abroad** **(3) Commercial presence** **(4) Presence of natural persons**

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| I. HORIZONTAL COMMITMENTS | | | |
| <p>ALL SECTORS INCLUDED IN THIS SCHEDULE</p> | <p>(3) In China, foreign invested enterprises include foreign capital enterprises (also referred to as wholly foreign-owned enterprises) and joint venture enterprises and there are two types of joint venture enterprises: equity joint ventures and contractual joint ventures.¹</p> <p>The proportion of foreign investment in an equity joint venture shall be no less than 25 per cent of the registered capital of the joint venture.</p> <p>The establishment of branches by foreign enterprises is unbound, unless otherwise indicated in specific sub-sectors, as the laws and regulations on branches of foreign enterprises are under formulation.</p> <p>Representative offices of foreign enterprises are permitted to be established in China, but they shall not engage in any profit-making activities except for the representative offices under CPC 861, 862, 863, 865 in the sectoral specific commitments.</p> | <p>(3) Unbound for all the existing subsidies to domestic services suppliers in the sectors of audio visual, aviation and medical services.</p> | |

¹ The terms of the contract, concluded in accordance with China's laws, regulations and other measures, establishing a "contractual joint venture" govern matters such as the manner of operation and management of the joint venture as well as the investment or other contribution of the joint venture parties. Equity participation by all parties to the contractual joint venture is not required, but is determined pursuant to the joint venture contract.

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| | <p>The conditions of ownership, operation and scope of activities, as set out in the respective contractual or shareholder agreement or in a license establishing or authorizing the operation or supply of services by an existing foreign service supplier , will not be made more restrictive than they exist as of the date of China's accession to the WTO.</p> <p>The land in the People's Republic of China is State-owned. Use of land by enterprises and individuals is subject to the following maximum term limitations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) 70 years for residential purposes; (b) 50 years for industrial purposes; (c) 50 years for the purpose of education, science, culture, public health and physical education; (d) 40 years for commercial, tourist and recreational purposes; (e) 50 years for comprehensive utilization or other purposes. | | |

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| | <p>(4) Unbound except for measures concerning the entry and temporary stay of natural persons who fall into one of the following categories:</p> <p>(a) Managers, executives and specialists defined as senior employees of a corporation of a WTO Member that has established a representative office, branch or subsidiary in the territory of the People's Republic of China, temporarily moving as intra-corporate transferees, shall be permitted entry for an initial stay of 3 years;</p> <p>(b) Managers, executives and specialists defined as senior employees of a corporation of other WTO Members, being engaged in the foreign invested enterprises in the territory of the People's Republic of China for conducting business, shall be granted a long-term stay permit as stipulated in the terms of contracts concerned or an initial stay of 3 years, whichever is shorter;</p> <p>(c) Service salespersons -- persons not based in the territory of the People's Republic of China and receiving no remuneration from a source located within China, and who are engaged in activities related to representing a service supplier for the purpose of negotiation for the sale of services of that supplier where (a) such sales are not directly made to the general public and (b) the salesperson is not engaged in supplying the service: entry for salespersons is limited to a 90-day period.</p> | <p>(4) Unbound except for the measures concerning the entry and temporary stay of natural persons who fall into the categories referred to in the market access column.</p> | |

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| II. SECTOR – SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS | | | |
| <p>1. BUSINESS SERVICES</p> <p>A. Professional Services</p> <p>(a) Legal services (CPC 861, excluding Chinese law practice)</p> | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) Foreign law firms can provide legal services only in the form of representative offices in Beijing, Shanghai, Guangzhou, Shenzhen, Haikou, Dalian, Qingdao, Ningbo, Yantai, Tianjin, Suzhou, Xiamen, Zhuhai, Hangzhou, Fuzhou, Wuhan, Chengdu, Shenyang and Kunming only.</p> <p>Representative offices can engage in profit-making activities. Representative offices in China shall be no less than the number established upon the date of accession. A foreign law firm can only establish one representative office in China. The above-mentioned geographic and quantitative limitations will be eliminated within 1 year after China's accession to the WTO.</p> | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) All representatives shall be resident in China no less than six months each year. The representative office shall not employ Chinese national registered lawyers.</p> | |

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| | <p>Business scope of foreign representative offices:</p> <p>(a) to provide its clients with consultancy on the legislation of the country/region where the lawyers of the law firm are permitted to engage in lawyer's professional work, and on international conventions and practices;</p> <p>(b) to handle, when entrusted by its clients or Chinese law firms, legal affairs of the country/region where the lawyers of the law firm are permitted to engage in lawyer's professional work;</p> <p>(c) to entrust, on behalf of foreign clients, Chinese law firms to deal with the Chinese legal affairs;</p> <p>(d) to enter into contracts to maintain long-term entrustment relations with Chinese law firms for legal affairs.</p> <p>(e) to provide information on the impact of the Chinese legal environment.</p> <p>Entrustment allows the foreign representative office to directly instruct lawyers in the entrusted Chinese law firm, as agreed between both parties.</p> <p>The representatives of a foreign law firm shall be practitioner lawyers who are members of the bar or law society in a WTO member and have practised for no less than two years outside of China. The Chief representative shall be a partner or equivalent (e.g., member of a law firm of a limited liability corporation) of a law firm of a WTO member and have practised for no less than three years.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |

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| <p>(b) Accounting, auditing and bookkeeping services (CPC 862)²</p> | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) Partnerships or incorporated accounting firms are limited to Certified Public Accountants (CPAs) licensed by the Chinese authorities.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicted in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicted in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>Foreign accounting firms are permitted to affiliate with Chinese firms and enter into contractual agreements with their affiliated firms in other WTO members.</p> <p>Upon accession to the WTO, issuance of licenses to those foreigners who have passed the Chinese national CPA examination shall be accorded national treatment. Applicants will be informed of results in writing no later than 30 days after submission of their applications.</p> <p>Existing contractual joint venture accounting firms are not limited only to CPAs licensed by Chinese authorities.</p> |

² Accounting firms providing services in CPC 862 can engage in taxation and management consulting services. They will not be subject to requirements on form of establishment in CPC 865 and 8630.

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| <p>Management Consulting services (CPC 865)</p> <p>Taxation services (CPC 8630)</p> | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) Only in the form of joint ventures, with foreign majority ownership permitted.</p> <p>Within 6 years of China's accession, foreign firms will be permitted to establish wholly-foreign-owned subsidiaries.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |
| <p>d. Architectural Services (CPC 8671)</p> <p>e. Engineering Services (CPC 8672)</p> <p>f. Integrated Engineering Services (CPC 8673)</p> <p>g. Urban Planning Services(except general urban planning) (CPC 8674)</p> | <p>1) None for scheme design. Co-operation with Chinese professional organisations is required except scheme design.</p> <p>2) None</p> <p>3) Only in the form of joint ventures , with foreign majority ownership permitted.</p> <p>Within 5 years after China's accession to the WTO, wholly foreign-owned enterprises will be permitted.</p> <p>4) Unbound, except as indicated in Horizontal commitments.</p> | <p>1) None</p> <p>2) None</p> <p>3) Foreign service suppliers shall be registered architects/engineers, or enterprises engaged in architectural/engineering/urban planning services, in their home country.</p> <p>4) Unbound, except as indicated in Horizontal commitments</p> | |

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| (h). Medical and Dental Services (CPC 9312) | <p>1) None</p> <p>2) None</p> <p>3) Foreign service suppliers are permitted to establish joint venture hospitals or clinics with Chinese partners with quantitative limitations in line with China's needs, with foreign majority ownership permitted.</p> <p>4) Unbound, except as indicated in Horizontal commitments and as follows</p> <p>Foreign doctors with professional certificates issued by their home country shall be permitted to provide short-term medical services in China after they obtain licenses from the Ministry of Public Health. The term of service is six months and may extend to one year.</p> | <p>1) None</p> <p>2) None</p> <p>3) The majority of doctors and medical personnel of the JV hospital and clinics shall be of Chinese nationality.</p> <p>4) Unbound, except as indicated in Horizontal commitments</p> | |
| <p>B. Computer and Related Services</p> <p>(a) Consultancy services related to the installation of computer hardware (CPC 841)</p> | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Certified engineers, or personnel with Bachelor's degree (or above) and 3 years of experience in these fields.</p> | |

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| (b)Software implementation services (CPC 842) - Systems and software consulting services (CPC 8421) - Systems analysis services (CPC 8422) | (1) None (2) None (3) Only in the form of joint ventures, with foreign majority ownership permitted. (4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments. | (1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Certified engineers, or personnel with Bachelor's degree (or above) and 3 years of experience in these fields. | |
| - Systems design services (CPC 8423) - Programming services (CPC 8424) - Systems maintenance services (CPC 8425) | (1) None. (2) None (3) Only in the form of joint ventures, with foreign majority ownership permitted. (4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments. | (1) Unbound (2) None (3) None (4) Certified engineers, or personnel with Bachelor's degree (or above) and 3 years of experience in these fields. | |

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| (c) Data processing services (CPC 843) - Input preparation services (CPC 8431) | (1) None (2) None (3) Only in the form of joint ventures, with foreign majority ownership permitted. (4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments. | (1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Certified engineers, or personnel with Bachelor's degree (or above) and 3 years of experience in these fields. | |
| - Data processing and tabulation services (CPC 8432) - Time-sharing services (CPC 8433) | (1) None. (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments. | (1) None. (2) None (3) None (4) Certified engineers, or personnel with Bachelor's degree (or above) and 3 years of experience in these fields. | |
| (f) Services incidental to agriculture, forestry, hunting and fishing (CPC 881, 882) | (1) None (2) None (3) Only in the form of joint ventures, with foreign majority ownership permitted. (4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments. | (1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments. | |

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| (m) Related scientific technical consulting services (CPC 8675) | (1) None (2) None (3) Only in the form of joint ventures, with foreign majority ownership permitted. (4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments. | (1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments. | |
| - Offshore oil-field services geological, geophysical and other scientific prospecting services (CPC 86751) Sub-surface surveying services (CPC 86752) | (1) None (2) None (3) Only in the form of petroleum exploitation in cooperation with Chinese partners. (4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments. | (1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments. | |
| - Onshore oil-field services | (1) None (2) None (3) Only in the form of petroleum exploitation in cooperation with China National Petroleum Corp. (CNPC) in the designated areas approved by the Chinese government. | (1) None (2) None (3) The foreign service supplier shall furnish CNPC accurately and promptly with the reports on the petroleum operations, and shall submit to CNPC the data and samples as well as various technological, economic, accounting and administrative reports related to petroleum operations. | |

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| | <p>In order to carry out the petroleum contract, the foreign service supplier shall establish a branch, subsidiary or representative office within the territory of the People's Republic of China and go through registration formalities in accordance with the laws. The domiciles of the said offices shall be determined through consultation with CNPC.</p> <p>The foreign service supplier shall open its bank account with a bank approved by the Chinese authorities to engage in foreign exchange business within the Chinese territory.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>CNPC shall have the ownership of all of the data records, samples, vouchers and other original information acquired during the implementation of the petroleum operations.</p> <p>The investment of foreign service suppliers shall be made in US dollars or other hard currencies.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |
| (p) Photographic services (CPC 875) | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) Only in the form of joint ventures, with foreign majority ownership permitted.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |
| (s) Convention services (CPC 87909) | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) Only in the form of joint ventures, with foreign majority ownership permitted.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |

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| (t) Translation and interpretation services (CPC 87905) | (1) None (2) None (3) Only in the form of joint ventures, with foreign majority ownership permitted. (4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments. | (1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Qualifications are as follows: three years of experience in translation or interpretation and a good command of the working language(s). | |
| D. Real Estate Services (a) Real estate services involving own or leased property (CPC 821 excluding hotels which are addressed in TOURISM AND RELATED SERVICES) | (1) None (2) None (3) None except for the following: Wholly foreign-owned enterprises are not permitted for luxury real estate projects ³ , such as apartments and office buildings. (4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments. | (1) None (2) None (3) None (4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments. | |

³ High standard real estate projects refer to the real estate projects with construction costs per unit two times more than the average construction costs per unit in the same city.

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| (b) Real estate services on a fee or contract basis (CPC 822) | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) Only in the form of joint ventures, with foreign majority ownership permitted.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |
| <p>BUSINESS SERVICES</p> <p>Maintenance and Repair services (CPC 63, 6112 and 6122)</p> <p>Maintenance and Repair services of office machinery and equipment including computers (CPC 845 and 886)</p> <p>Rental and Leasing Services (CPC 831, 832, excluding CPC 83202)</p> | <p>1) None</p> <p>2) None</p> <p>3) Upon accession, only in the form of joint ventures. Within 1 year after China's accession, foreign majority ownership will be permitted. Within 3 years after China's accession, wholly-foreign-owned subsidiaries will be permitted.</p> <p>For Rental and Leasing services, service suppliers will have global assets of US \$ 5 million.</p> <p>4) Unbound, except as indicated in horizontal commitments.</p> | <p>1) None</p> <p>2) None</p> <p>3) None</p> <p>4) Unbound, except as indicated in horizontal commitments.</p> | |

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| <p>OTHER BUSINESS SERVICES</p> <p>q. Packaging Services (CPC 876)</p> | <p>1) None</p> <p>2) None</p> <p>3) Upon accession, foreign service suppliers will be permitted to establish joint venture in China. Within 1 year after China's accession, foreign majority ownership will be permitted. Within 3 years after China's accession, foreign service suppliers will be permitted to establish wholly-owned subsidiaries.</p> <p>4) Unbound, except as indicated in Horizontal commitments</p> | <p>1) None</p> <p>2) None</p> <p>3) None</p> <p>4) Unbound, except as indicated in Horizontal commitments.</p> | |

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| <p>2. COMMUNICATION SERVICES^{4 5 6}</p> <p>Value-added Services Including the following:</p> <p>h. Electronic mail</p> <p>i. Voice mail</p> <p>j. On-line information and database retrieval</p> <p>k. Electronic data interchange</p> <p>l. Enhanced/Value-added facsimile services (including store and forward, store and retrieve)</p> <p>m. Code and protocol conversion</p> <p>n. On-line information and/or data processing (including transaction processing)</p> | <p>2) None</p> <p>1),3) Foreign service suppliers will be permitted to establish joint venture value-added telecommunication enterprises, without quantitative restrictions, and provide services in the cities of Shanghai, Guangzhou and Beijing. Foreign investment in joint venture shall be no more than 30%.</p> <p>Within 1 year after China's accession, the areas will be expanded to include Chengdu, Chongqing, Dalian, Fuzhou, Hangzhou, Nanjing, Ningbo, Qingdao, Shenyang, Shenzhen, Xiamen, Xian, Taiyuan and Wuhan and foreign investment shall be no more than 49%.</p> <p>Within 2 years after China's accession, there will be no geographic restriction and foreign investment shall be no more than 50%.</p> <p>4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>China undertakes the obligations contained in the reference paper attached hereto.</p> |

⁴ China's commitments are scheduled in accordance with the following: Notes for Scheduling Basic Telecom Services Commitments (S/GBT/W/2/REV/1) and Market Access Limitations on Spectrum Availability (S/GBT/W/3) attached hereto.

⁵ All international telecommunications services shall go through gateways established with the approval of China's telecommunications authorities, which will act as an independent regulatory authority in accordance with the principles of paragraph 5 of the Reference Paper.

⁶ Further liberalization of this sector, including with respect to the level of equity participation permitted, will be discussed in the services negotiations during the new round of trade talks launched in Seattle.

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| <p>Basic Telecommunication Services</p> <p>- Paging services</p> | <p>2) None</p> <p>1),3) Foreign service suppliers will be permitted to establish joint venture enterprises, without quantitative restrictions, and provide services in and between the cities of Shanghai, Guangzhou and Beijing. Foreign investment in joint venture shall be no more than 30%.</p> <p>Within 1 year after China's accession, the areas will be expanded to include services in and between Chengdu, Chongqing, Dalian, Fuzhou, Hangzhou, Nanjing, Ningbo, Qingdao, Shenyang, Shenzhen, Xiamen, Xian, Taiyuan and Wuhan and foreign investment shall be no more than 49%.</p> <p>Within 2 years after China's accession, there will be no geographic restriction and foreign investment shall be no more than 50%.</p> <p>4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>China undertakes the obligations contained in the reference paper attached hereto.</p> |

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| <p>Mobile voice and data Services:</p> <p>Analogue/Digital/Cellular Services</p> <p>Personal Communication Services</p> | <p>2) None</p> <p>1),3) Upon China's accession, foreign service suppliers will be permitted to establish joint venture enterprises, without quantitative restrictions, and provide services in and between the cities of Shanghai, Guangzhou and Beijing. Foreign investment in the joint venture shall be no more than 25%.</p> <p>Within 1 year after accession, the areas will be expanded to include services in and between Chengdu, Chongqing, Dalian, Fuzhou, Hangzhou, Nanjing, Ningbo, Qingdao, Shenyang, Shenzhen, Xiamen, Xian, Taiyuan and Wuhan and foreign investment shall be no more than 35%.</p> <p>Within 3 years after accession, foreign investment shall be no more than 49%.</p> <p>Within 5 years after accession, there will be no geographic restriction.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(1)None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |

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| <p>Domestic services</p> <p>(a) Voice services</p> <p>(b) Packet-switched data transmission services</p> <p>(c) Circuit-switched data transmission services</p> <p>(f) Facsimile services</p> <p>(g) domestic private leased circuit services</p> <p>- International services</p> <p>(a) voice services</p> <p>(b) Packet-switched data transmission services</p> <p>(c) Circuit-switched data transmission services</p> <p>(f) Facsimile services</p> <p>(g) International closed user group voice and data services (use of private leased circuit service is permitted)</p> | <p>2) None</p> <p>1), 3) Within 3 years after China's accession, foreign service suppliers will be permitted to establish joint venture enterprises, without quantitative restrictions, and provide services in and between the cities of Shanghai, Guangzhou and Beijing. Foreign investment in the joint venture shall be no more than 25%.</p> <p>Within 5 years after accession, the areas will be expanded to include services in and between Chengdu, Chongqing, Dalian, Fuzhou, Hangzhou, Nanjing, Ningbo, Qingdao, Shenyang, Shenzhen, Xiamen, Xian, Taiyuan and Wuhan. And foreign investment shall be no more than 35%.</p> <p>Within 6 years after accession, there will be no geographic restriction and foreign investment shall be no more than 49%.</p> <p>4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>1) None</p> <p>2) None</p> <p>3) None</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |

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| <p>B. COURIER SERVICES</p> <p>Land-based International Courier Services: All services related to an international shipment being handled by an express carrier, except for those currently specifically reserved to Chinese postal authorities by law.</p> | <p>1) None</p> <p>2) None</p> <p>3) Upon accession, foreign service suppliers will be permitted to establish joint ventures with foreign investment not exceeding 49%. Within 1 year after China's accession, foreign majority ownership will be permitted. Within 4 years after China's accession, foreign service suppliers will be permitted to establish wholly-owned subsidiaries.</p> <p>4) Unbound, except as indicated in horizontal commitments</p> | <p>1) None</p> <p>2) None</p> <p>3) None</p> <p>4) Unbound, except as indicated in horizontal commitments</p> | |

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| <p>3. CONSTRUCTION AND RELATED ENGINEERING SERVICES (CPC 511, 512, 513⁷ 514, 515, 516, 517, 518⁸)</p> | <p>(1) Unbound⁹</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) Only in the form of joint ventures, with foreign majority ownership permitted.</p> <p>Within 3 years after China's accession to the WTO, wholly foreign-owned enterprises will be permitted. Wholly foreign-owned enterprises can only undertake the following 4 types of construction projects.</p> <p>1. Construction projects wholly financed by foreign investment and/or grants.</p> <p>2. Construction projects financed by loans of international financial institutions and awarded through international tendering according to the terms of loans.</p> <p>3. Chinese-foreign jointly constructed projects with foreign investment equal to or more than 50%; and Chinese-foreign jointly constructed projects with foreign investment less than 50% but technically difficult to be implemented by Chinese construction enterprises alone.</p> | <p>1) Unbound⁹</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None except for the following:</p> <p>(a) The existing registered capital requirements for joint venture construction enterprises are slightly different from those of the domestic enterprises.</p> <p>(b) Joint venture construction enterprises have the obligation to undertake foreign-invested construction projects.</p> <p>Within 3 years after China's accession to the WTO, none.</p> | |

⁷ Including dredging services relating to infrastructure construction.

⁸ Coverage of CPC 518 is limited only to the rental and leasing services of construction and/or demolition machines with operator which are owned and used by foreign construction enterprises in their supply of services.

⁹ Unbound due to lack of technical feasibility.

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| | <p>4. Chinese invested construction projects which are difficult to be implemented by Chinese construction enterprises alone can be jointly undertaken by Chinese and foreign construction enterprises with the approval of provincial government.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments</p> | |

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| <p>4. DISTRIBUTION SERVICES (as defined in Annex 1)</p> <p>A. Commission agents' Services (excluding salt, tobacco)</p> | <p>(1) Unbound</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) A. Foreign service suppliers who meet the following initial conditions may set up joint venture trading companies in the cities of Shanghai and Shenzhen:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - business volume in the year prior to the application be more than US\$ 5 billion; - average annual trade volume with China during the last three years prior to the application be more than US\$ 30 million; - establishment of representative office in China be more than 3 years; or investment in China be more than US\$ 30 million; - Registered capital of the joint venture shall be no less than 100 million RMB yuan. <p>Foreign equity share in joint venture trading companies shall be no more than 49%. The joint venture trading companies shall not engage in commission agents' business of domestically produced products.</p> <p>Within 2 years after China's accession, the joint venture trading companies may engage in commission agents' business of domestically produced products. Within 2 years after China's accession to the WTO, foreign majority ownership will be permitted. Within 3 years after China's accession, there will be no quantitative or geographic, or foreign equity restrictions.</p> <p>Unbound for inter-branching.</p> | <p>(1) Unbound</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> | <p>Upon accession, foreign-invested enterprises are permitted to distribute their products manufactured in China, including the products listed in the market access or Sector or sub-sector column, and provide subordinate services as defined in Annex 1.</p> <p>Upon accession, foreign service suppliers may provide the full range of related subordinate services, including after sales services, as defined in Annex 1, for the products they distribute.</p> |

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| | <p>B. Within 1 year after China's accession to the WTO, foreign service suppliers may establish joint ventures, distinct from joint venture trading companies mentioned in paragraph A, to engage in the commission agents' business of all imported and domestically produced products, except those products that immediately follow. For these products, foreign service suppliers will be permitted to engage in the distribution of books, newspapers, magazines, pharmaceutical products, pesticides and mulching films within 3 years after China's accession, and to engage in the distribution of chemical fertilizers, processed oil and crude oil as commission agents within 5 years after China's accession.</p> <p>Within 2 years after China's accession to the WTO, foreign majority ownership will be permitted and no geographic or quantitative restrictions will apply. Within 3 years after China's accession to the WTO, there will be no restrictions on equity/form of establishment. None, starting no later than 5 years after China's accession.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |

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| <p>B. Wholesale trade services¹⁰ (excluding salt, tobacco)</p> | <p>(1) Unbound</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) A. Foreign service suppliers who meet the following initial conditions may set up joint venture trading companies in the cities of Shanghai and Shenzhen:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - business volume in the year prior to the application be more than US\$ 5 billion; - average annual trade volume with China during the last three years prior to the application be more than US\$ 30 million; - establishment of representative office in China be more than 3 years; or investment in China be more than US\$ 30 million; - Registered capital of the joint venture shall be no less than 100 million RMB yuan. <p>Foreign equity share in joint venture trading companies shall be no more than 49%. The joint venture trading companies shall not engage in wholesale business of domestically produced products. Within 2 years after China's accession, the joint venture trading companies may engage in wholesale business of domestically produced products. Within 2 years after China's accession to the WTO, foreign majority ownership will be permitted. Within 3 years after China's accession, there will be no quantitative or geographic, or foreign equity restrictions.</p> | <p>(1) Unbound</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> | <p>Upon accession, foreign-invested enterprises may distribute their products manufactured in China, including the products listed in the market access or Sector or sub-sector column, and provide subordinate services as defined in Annex 1.</p> <p>Upon accession, foreign service suppliers may provide the full range of related subordinate services, including after sales services, as defined in Annex 1, for the products they distribute.</p> |

¹⁰ The restrictions on mode 1 shall not undermine the rights of WTO Members to the right to trade as stipulated in Chapter 5 of China's Protocol of accession to the WTO.

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| | <p>Within 3 years after China's accession to the WTO, the initial conditions listed above will be replaced by the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - business volume in the year prior to the application be more than US \$ 2 billion; - gross asset value in the year prior to the application be more than US \$ 200 million; - registered capital of the distribution enterprises shall be no less than 40 million RMB Yuan. <p>Unbound for inter-branching.</p> <p>B. Within 1 year after China's accession to the WTO, foreign service suppliers may set up joint ventures, distinct from joint venture trading companies mentioned in A, to engage in the wholesale business of all imported and domestically produced products, except those products that immediately follow. For these products, foreign service suppliers will be permitted to engage in the wholesale distribution of books, newspapers, magazines, pharmaceutical products, pesticides and mulching films within 3 years after China's accession, and to engage in the distribution of chemical fertilizers, processed oil and crude oil within 5 years after China's accession.</p> <p>Within 2 years after China's accession to the WTO, foreign majority ownership will be permitted and no geographic or quantitative restrictions will apply. Within 3 years after China's accession to the WTO, there will be no restriction on equity/form of establishment. None, starting no later than 5 years after China's accession.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |

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| <p>C. Retailing Services</p> <p>(CPC 61 and 63, excepting tobacco)</p> | <p>(1) Unbound except for mail order.</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) Foreign service suppliers may supply services only in forms of joint ventures in five Special Economic Zones (Shenzhen, Zhuhai, Shantou, Xiamen and Hainan) and six cities (Beijing, Shanghai, Tianjin, Guangzhou, Dalian and Qingdao). In Beijing and Shanghai, a total of no more than four joint venture retailing enterprises are permitted respectively. In each of the other cities, no more than two joint venture retailing enterprises will be permitted. Two joint venture retailing enterprises among the four to be established in Beijing may set up their branches in the same city (i.e. Beijing).</p> <p>Upon China's accession to the WTO, Zhengzhou and Wuhan will be immediately open to joint venture retailing enterprises. Within 2 years after China's accession to the WTO, foreign majority control will be permitted in JV retailing enterprises and all provincial capitals, Chongqing and Ningbo will be open to joint venture retailing enterprises.</p> <p>Foreign service suppliers will be permitted to engage in the retailing of all products, except for the retailing of books, newspapers and magazines within 1 year after accession, the retailing of pharmaceutical products, pesticides, mulching films and processed oil within 3 years after accession and retailing of chemical fertilizers within 5 years after accession.</p> | <p>(1) Unbound except mail order.</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> | <p>Upon accession, foreign-invested enterprises may distribute their products manufactured in China, including those excepted products as listed in the market access or Sector or sub-sector column, and provide subordinate services as defined in Annex 1.</p> <p>Upon accession, foreign service suppliers will be permitted to provide full range of related subordinate services, including after sales services, as defined in Annex 1, for the products they distribute.</p> |

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| | <p>Within 3 years after China's accession to the WTO, there will be no geographic, quantitative restrictions, equity or form of establishment restriction.</p> <p>However, for chain stores with more than 30 stores distributing motor vehicles, wool and products listed above and listed in the Annex 2a of the Protocol of China's WTO Accession, foreign majority ownership will not be permitted. The foreign chain store operators will have the freedom of choice of partner, legally established in China according to Chinese laws and regulations. Within 5 years after accession, there will be no equity restriction for chain stores with more than 30 stores distributing motor vehicles.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |

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| D. Franchising | (1) None (2) None (3) Within 3 years after China's accession to the WTO, none. | (1) None (2) None (3) Within 3 years after China's accession to the WTO, none. | |
| E. Wholesale or retail trade services away from a fixed location | (1) None (2) None (3) Within 3 years after China's accession to the WTO, none ¹¹ . | (1) None (2) None (3) Within 3 years after China's accession to the WTO, none. | |
| For all sub-sectors above | (4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments. | (4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments. | |

¹¹ See paragraph of the Working Party Report.

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| <p>5. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES (Excluding special education services e.g. military, police, political and party school education)</p> <p>A. <u>Primary education services</u> (CPC 921, excluding national compulsory education in CPC 92190)</p> <p>B. <u>Secondary education services</u> (CPC 922, excluding national compulsory education in CPC 92210)</p> <p>C. <u>Higher education services</u> (CPC 923)</p> <p>D. <u>Adult education services</u> (CPC 924)</p> <p>E. <u>Other education services</u> (CPC 929)</p> | <p>(1) Unbound</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) Joint schools will be established, with foreign majority ownership permitted.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments and the following:</p> <p>foreign individual education service suppliers may enter into China to provide education services when invited or employed by Chinese schools and other education institutions.</p> | <p>(1) Unbound</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) Unbound</p> <p>(4) Qualifications are as follows: possession of Bachelor's degree or above and an appropriate professional title or certificate, with two years' professional experiences.</p> | |

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| <p>6. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (excluding environmental quality monitoring and pollution source inspection)</p> <p>A. Sewage Services (CPC 9401)</p> <p>B. Solid Waste Disposal Services(CPC 9402)</p> <p>C. Cleaning Services of Exhaust Gases (CPC 9404)</p> <p>D. Noise Abatement Services (CPC 9405)</p> <p>E. Nature and Landscape Protection Services (CPC 9406)</p> <p>F. Other Environmental Protection Services (CPC 9409)</p> <p>G. Sanitation Services (CPC 9403)</p> | <p>(1) Unbound except for environmental consultation services.</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) Foreign services suppliers engaged in the environmental services are permitted to provide services only in the form of joint ventures, with foreign majority ownership permitted.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |

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| <p>7. FINANCIAL SERVICES</p> <p>A. All Insurance and Insurance-Related Services¹²</p> <p>(a) Life, health and pension/annuities insurance</p> <p>b) Non-life insurance</p> <p>c) Reinsurance</p> <p>d) Services auxiliary to insurance</p> | <p>(1) Unbound except for international marine, aviation, and transport insurance and reinsurance, and for brokerage for insurance of large scale commercial risks and brokerage for reinsurance.</p> <p>(2) Unbound for brokerage. Other, none.</p> <p>(3) A. Form of establishment</p> <p>Foreign non-life insurers will be permitted to establish as a branch or as a joint venture with 51% foreign ownership. Within 2 years after China's accession, foreign non-life insurers will be permitted to establish as a wholly-owned subsidiary; i.e., with no form of establishment restrictions.</p> <p>Upon accession, foreign life insurers will be permitted 50% foreign ownership in a joint venture with the partner of their choice.</p> <p>The joint venture partners can freely agree the terms of their engagement, provided they remain within the limits of the commitments contained in this schedule.</p> | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) Foreign insurance institutions shall not engage in the statutory insurance business.</p> | |

¹² Any further authorization provided to foreign insurers after accession under more favorable conditions than those contained in this schedule (including the extension of grandfathered investments through branching, sub-branching or any other legal form), will be made available to other foreign service suppliers which so requested.

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| | <p>For brokerage for insurance of large scale commercial risks and brokerage for reinsurance: upon accession, joint venture with foreign equity no more than 50% will be permitted; within 3 years after China's accession, foreign equity share shall be no more than 51%; within 5 years after China's accession, wholly foreign owned subsidiary will be permitted.</p> <p>For other brokerage services: Unbound</p> <p>Internal branching for an insurance firm will be permitted consistent with the phase out of geographic restrictions.</p> <p>B. Geographic Coverage Upon accession, foreign life and non-life insurers, and insurance brokers will be permitted to provide services in Shanghai, Guangzhou, Dalian, Shenzhen and Foshan. Within 2 years after China's accession, foreign life and non-life insurers, and insurance brokers will be permitted to provide services in the following cities: Beijing, Chengdu, Chongqing, Fuzhou, Suzhou, Xiamen, Ningbo, Shenyang, Wuhan and Tianjin. Within 3 years after China's accession, there will be no geographic restrictions.</p> | | |

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| | <p>C. Business Scope Upon accession, foreign non-life insurers will be permitted to provide "master policy"¹³ insurance/insurance of large scale commercial risks, which has no geographic restrictions.</p> <p>Foreign non-life insurers are permitted to provide insurance of enterprises abroad, property insurance, related liability insurance and credit insurance of foreign-invested enterprises upon accession. Within 2 years after China's accession, foreign non-life insurers will be permitted to provide the full range of non-life insurance services to both foreign and domestic clients.</p> <p>Foreign insurers are permitted to provide individual (not group) insurance to foreigners and Chinese citizens; within 3 years after accession, foreign insurers will be permitted to provide health insurance, group insurance and pension/annuities insurance to foreigners and Chinese.</p> <p>Upon accession, foreign insurers will be permitted to provide reinsurance services for life and non-life insurance as a branch, JV, or wholly-owned subsidiary, without geographic or quantitative restrictions on the number of licenses issued.</p> | | |

¹³ The definition of "master policy" is attached in Annex of Insurance. China may make changes to the definition and the new one will be implemented on a national treatment basis.

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| | <p>D. Licenses: Upon accession, licenses will be issued with no economic needs test or quantitative limits on licenses. Qualifications for establishing a foreign insurance institution are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the investor shall be a foreign insurance company with more than 30 years of establishment experience in a WTO member; - it shall have a representative office for two consecutive years in China; - it shall have total assets of more than US \$5 billion at the end of the year prior to application. <p>4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |

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| <p>B. Banking and Other Financial Services (excluding insurance and securities)</p> <p>Banking services as listed below:</p> <p>(a) Acceptance of deposits and other repayable funds from the public;</p> <p>(b) Lending of all types, including consumer credit, mortgage credit, factoring and financing of commercial transaction;</p> <p>(c) Financial leasing;</p> <p>(d) All payment and money transmission services, including credit, charge and debit cards, travellers cheques and bankers drafts;</p> <p>(e) Guarantees and commitments</p> <p>(f) Trading for own account or for account of customers: foreign exchange.</p> | <p>(1) Unbound except for the following: --Provision and transfer of financial information, and financial data processing and related software by suppliers of other financial services; --Advisory, intermediation and other auxiliary financial services on all activities listed in subparagraphs (a) through (k), including credit reference and analysis, investment and portfolio research and advice, advice on acquisitions and on corporate restructuring and strategy.</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) A. Geographic coverage. For foreign currency business, there will be no geographic restriction upon accession. For local currency business, the geographic restriction will be phased out as follows: Upon accession, Shanghai, Shenzhen, Tianjin and Dalian; Within one year after accession, Guangzhou, Zhuhai, Qingdao, Nanjing and Wuhan; within 2 years after accession, Jinan, Fuzhou, Chengdu and Chongqing; within 3 years after accession, Kunming, Beijing and Xiamen; Within 4 years after accession, Shantou, Ningbo, Shenyang and Xian. Within 5 years after accession, all geographic restrictions will be removed.</p> | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) except for geographic restrictions and client limitations on local currency business (listed in the market access column), foreign financial institution may do business, without restrictions or need for case-by-case approval, with foreign invested enterprises, non-Chinese natural persons, Chinese natural persons and Chinese enterprises.</p> <p>Otherwise, none.</p> | <p>For financial leasing services, foreign financial leasing corporation will be permitted to provide financial leasing service at the same time as domestic corporations.</p> |

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| | <p>B. Clients. For foreign currency business, foreign financial institutions will be permitted to provide services in China without restriction as to clients upon accession.</p> <p>For local currency business, within 2 years after accession, foreign financial institutions will be permitted to provide services to Chinese enterprises. Within 5 years after accession, foreign financial institutions will be permitted to provide services to all Chinese clients. Foreign financial institutions licensed for local currency business in one region of China may service clients in any other region that has been opened for such business.</p> <p>C: Licensing. Criteria for authorization to deal in China's financial services sector are solely prudential (i.e., contain no economic needs test or quantitative limits on licenses). Within 5 years after accession, any existing non-prudential measures restricting ownership, operation, and juridical form of foreign financial institutions, including on internal branching and licenses, shall be eliminated.</p> <p>Foreign financial institutions who meet the following condition are permitted to establish a subsidiary of a foreign bank or a foreign finance company in China:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- total assets of more than US \$10 billion at the end of the year prior to filing the application. | | |

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| | <p>Foreign financial institutions who meet the following condition are permitted to establish a branch of a foreign bank in China:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- total assets of more than US \$20 billion at the end of the year prior to filing the application. <p>Foreign financial institutions who meet the following condition are permitted to establish a Chinese-foreign joint bank or a Chinese-foreign joint finance company in China:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- total assets of more than US \$10 billion at the end of the year prior to filing the application; <p>Qualifications for foreign financial institutions to engage in local currency business are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- three years business operation in China and being profitable for two consecutive years prior to the application; <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal commitments.</p> | | |

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| <p>Motor vehicle financing by non-bank financial institutions</p> | <p>(1) Unbound except for the following: --Provision and transfer of financial information, and financial data processing and related software by suppliers of other financial services; --Advisory, intermediation and other auxiliary financial services on all activities listed in subparagraphs (a) through (k), including credit reference and analysis, investment and portfolio research and advice, advice on acquisitions and on corporate restructuring and strategy.</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |
| <p>Other financial services as listed below: (k) Provision and transfer of financial information, and financial data processing and related software by supplier of other financial services; (1) Advisory, intermediation and other auxiliary financial services on all activities listed in subparagraphs (a) through (k), including credit reference and analysis, investment and portfolio research and advice, advice on acquisitions and on corporate restructuring and strategy.</p> | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None (Criteria for authorization to deal in China's financial services sector are solely prudential (i.e., contain no economic needs test or quantitative limits on licenses). Branches of foreign institutions are permitted.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |

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| Securities | <p>(1) Unbound except for the following: Foreign securities institutions may engage directly (without Chinese intermediary) in B share business.</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) a. Unbound, except for the following: Upon accession, representative offices in China of foreign securities institutions may become Special Members of all Chinese stock exchanges.</p> <p>Upon accession, foreign service suppliers will be permitted to establish joint ventures with foreign investment less than 33% to conduct domestic securities investment fund management business. Within 3 years after China's accession, foreign investment shall be no more than 49%.</p> <p>Within 3 years after accession, foreign securities institutions will be permitted to establish joint ventures, with foreign minority ownership not exceeding 1/3, to engage (without Chinese intermediary) in underwriting A shares and in underwriting and trading of B and H shares as well as government and corporate debts, launching and management of funds.</p> <p>b. Criteria for authorization to deal in China's financial industry are solely prudential (i.e., contain no economic needs test or quantitative limits on licenses).</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |

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| <p data-bbox="73 209 398 261">9. TOURISM AND TRAVEL RELATED SERVICES</p> <p data-bbox="73 301 409 387">A. Hotels (including apartment buildings) and Restaurants (CPC 641-643)</p> | <p data-bbox="465 209 562 233">1) None</p> <p data-bbox="465 269 562 293">2) None</p> <p data-bbox="465 330 943 544">3) Foreign services suppliers may construct, renovate and operate hotel and restaurant establishments in China in the form of joint ventures with foreign majority ownership permitted. Within 4 years after accession, wholly-foreign-owned subsidiaries will be permitted.</p> <p data-bbox="465 580 965 794">4) Unbound, except as indicated in Horizontal commitments and as follows: Foreign managers, specialists including chefs and senior executives who have signed contracts with joint venture hotels and restaurants in China shall be permitted to provide services in China.</p> | <p data-bbox="1014 209 1111 233">1) None</p> <p data-bbox="1014 269 1111 293">2) None</p> <p data-bbox="1014 330 1111 354">3) None</p> <p data-bbox="1014 580 1514 635">4) Unbound, except as indicated in Horizontal commitments.</p> | |

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| B. Travel agency and tour operator (CPC 7471) | <p>1) None</p> <p>2) None</p> <p>3) Foreign services supplier who meet the following conditions are permitted to provide services in the form of joint venture travel agencies and tour operators in the holiday resorts designated by the Chinese government and in the cities of Beijing, Shanghai, Guangzhou and Xi'an upon accession. Within 3 years after accession foreign majority ownership will be permitted. Within 6 years after accession, wholly-foreign-owned subsidiary will be permitted and geographic restrictions will be removed.</p> <p>a) a travel agency and tour operator mainly engaged in travel business;</p> | <p>1) None</p> <p>2) None</p> <p>3) None except that joint ventures or wholly foreign-owned travel agencies and tour operators are not permitted to engage in the activities of Chinese travelling abroad and to Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan region.</p> | |

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| | <p>b) Annual world-wide turnover exceeds US\$ 40 million.</p> <p>The registered capital of JV travel agency/tour operator shall be no less than RMB 4 million. Within 3 years after China's accession, the registered capital shall be no less than RMB 2.5 million.</p> <p>The business scope of the travel agency/ tour operator is as follows:</p> <p>a) travel and hotel accommodation services for foreign travellers which can be made directly with transportation and hotel operators in China covering such operations; b) travel services and hotel accommodation services for domestic travellers which can be made directly with transportation and hotel operators in China covering such operations; c) conducting of tours within China for both domestic and foreign travellers, and d) travellers check cashing services within China.</p> <p>Within 6 years after accession, there will be no restriction on the establishment of branches of the JV travel agency/tour operator. And the requirement on registered capital of foreign-invested travel agency/tour operator will be the same as that of Chinese travel agency/tour operator.</p> <p>4) Unbound, except as indicated in Horizontal commitments.</p> | <p>4) Unbound, except as indicated in Horizontal commitments</p> | |

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| <p>11. TRANSPORT SERVICES</p> <p>C.(d). Aircraft repair and maintenance services (CPC 8868)</p> | <p>(1) Unbound¹⁴</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) Foreign service suppliers are permitted to establish joint venture aircraft repair and maintenance enterprises in China.</p> <p>The Chinese side shall hold controlling shares or be in a dominant position in the joint ventures.</p> <p>Licenses for the establishment of joint ventures are subject to economic needs test.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(1) Unbound¹⁴</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) The joint ventures have the obligation to undertake business in the international market.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |

¹⁴ Unbound due to lack of technical feasibility.

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| Computer reservation system (CRS) services | <p>(1) A. Foreign Computer Reservation System, when having agreements with Chinese aviation enterprises and Chinese Computer Reservation System, may provide services to Chinese aviation enterprises and Chinese aviation agents by connecting with Chinese Computer Reservation System.</p> <p>B. Foreign Computer Reservation System may provide services to representative offices and sales offices established in the destination cities in China by foreign aviation enterprises which have the right to engage in business according to the bilateral aviation agreements.</p> <p>C. Direct access to and use of foreign Computer Reservation System by Chinese aviation enterprises and agents of foreign aviation enterprises are subject to approval of the General Administration of Civil Aviation of China(CAAC).</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) Unbound</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) Unbound</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |

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| <p>A. Maritime Transport Services</p> <p>- International transport (freight and passengers) (CPC 7211 and 7212 less cabotage transport services)</p> | <p>(1) (a) Liner shipping (including passenger transportation): None</p> <p>(b) Bulk, tramp and other international shipping (including passenger transportation): None</p> <p>(2) None</p> | <p>(1) (a) None</p> <p>(b) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> | <p>The following services at the port are made available to international maritime transport suppliers on reasonable and non-discriminatory terms and conditions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pilotage 2. Towing and tug assistance 3. Provisioning, fueling and watering 4. Garbage collecting and ballast waste disposal |

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| | <p>(3) (a) Establishment of registered companies for the purpose of operating a fleet under the national flag of the People's Republic of China:</p> <p>Foreign service suppliers are permitted to establish joint venture shipping companies.</p> <p>Foreign investment shall not exceed 49 per cent of the total registered capital of the joint venture.</p> <p>The chairman of board of directors and the general manager of the joint venture shall be appointed by the Chinese side.</p> <p>(b) Other forms of commercial presence for the supply of international maritime transport services: Unbound</p> <p>(4) (a) Ship's crew: Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> <p>(b) Key personnel employed by Commercial Presence as defined under mode (3) (b) above: Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(3) (a) None</p> <p>(b) Unbound</p> <p>(4) (a) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> <p>(b) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>5. Port Captain's services</p> <p>6. Navigation aids</p> <p>7. Shore-based operational services essential to ship operations, including communications, water and electrical supplies</p> <p>8. Emergency repair facilities</p> <p>9. Anchorage, berth and berthing services.</p> |

| Sector or sub-sector | Limitations on market access | Limitation on national treatment | Additional commitments |
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| (d) Container station and depot services | <p>(1) Unbound¹⁶</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) Only in forms of joint ventures, with foreign majority ownership permitted.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(1) Unbound¹⁶</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |
| (e) Maritime agency services | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) Only in forms of joint ventures, with foreign equity share no more than 49%.</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(1) None</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) None</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |
| <p>B. Internal Waterway Transport Services</p> <p>(b) Freight transport (CPC 7222)</p> | <p>(1) Only international shipping in ports open to foreign vessels shall be permitted.</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) Unbound</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>(1) Limitations as indicated under market access column.</p> <p>(2) None</p> <p>(3) Unbound</p> <p>(4) Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |

¹⁶ Unbound due to lack of feasibility.

| Sector or sub-sector | Limitations on market access | Limitation on national treatment | Additional commitments |
|--|--|--|------------------------|
| <p>Freight Forwarding agency services (CPC 748 and 749 excluding freight inspection)</p> | <p>1) None</p> <p>2) None</p> <p>3) Upon accession, foreign freight forwarding agencies which have at least 3 consecutive years experience are permitted to set up freight forwarding agency joint ventures in China, with foreign investment not to exceed 50%; within 1 year after China's accession, foreign majority ownership will be permitted. Within 4 years after China's accession, wholly-foreign-owned subsidiaries will be permitted.</p> <p>The minimum registered capital of the joint venture shall be no less than US \$ 1 million. Within 4 years after accession, national treatment will be accorded in this respect. Operation term of the joint ventures shall not exceed 20 years.</p> <p>After one year operating in China, the joint venture can set up branches when the registered capital of both sides has been provided. Another US\$ 120,000 shall be added to the original registered capital of the joint venture for the set-up of each branch. Within two years after China's accession to the WTO, this additional registered capital requirement will be implemented on the national treatment basis.</p> <p>A foreign freight forwarding agency may set up a second joint venture after its first joint venture has been in operation for 5 years. Within two years after China's accession to WTO, this requirement will be reduced to 2 years.</p> <p>4)Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | <p>1) None</p> <p>2) None</p> <p>3) None</p> <p>4)Unbound except as indicated in Horizontal Commitments.</p> | |

ANNEX 1

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REFERENCE PAPER

Scope

The following are definitions and principles on the regulatory framework for the basic telecommunications services.

Definitions

Users mean service consumers and service suppliers.

Essential facilities mean facilities of a public telecommunications transport network or service that

- (a) are exclusively or predominantly provided by a single or limited number of suppliers; and
- (b) cannot feasibly be economically or technically substituted in order to provide a service.

A major supplier is a supplier which has the ability to materially affect the terms of participation (having regard to price and supply) in the relevant market for basic telecommunications services as a result of:

- (a) control over essential facilities; or
- (b) use of its position in the market.

1. Competitive safeguards

1.1 Prevention of anti-competitive practices in telecommunications

Appropriate measures shall be maintained for the purpose of preventing suppliers who, alone or together, are a major supplier from engaging in or continuing anti-competitive practices.

1.2 Safeguards

The anti-competitive practices referred to above shall include in particular:

- (a) engaging in anti-competitive cross-subsidization;
- (b) using information obtained from competitors with anti-competitive results; and
- (c) not making available to other services suppliers on a timely basis technical information about essential facilities and commercially relevant information which are necessary for them to provide services.

2. Interconnection

2.1 This section applies to linking with suppliers providing public telecommunications transport networks or services in order to allow the users of one supplier to communicate with users of another supplier and to access services provided by another supplier, where specific commitments are undertaken.

2.2 Interconnection to be ensured

Interconnection with a major supplier will be ensured at any technically feasible point in the network. Such interconnection is provided.

- (a) under non-discriminatory terms, conditions (including technical standards and specifications) and rates and of a quality no less favourable than that provided for its own like services or for like services of non-affiliated service suppliers or for its subsidiaries or other affiliates;
- (b) in a timely fashion, on terms, conditions (including technical standards and specifications) and cost-oriented rates that are transparent, reasonable, having regard to economic feasibility, and sufficiently unbundled so that the supplier need not pay for network components or facilities that it does not require for the service to be provided; and
- (c) upon request, at points in addition to the network termination points offered to the majority of users, subject to charges that reflect the cost of construction of necessary additional facilities.

2.3 Public availability of the procedures for interconnection negotiations

The procedures applicable for interconnection to a major supplier will be made publicly available.

2.4 Transparency of interconnection arrangements

It is ensured that a major supplier will make publicly available either its interconnection agreements or a reference interconnection offer.

2.5 Interconnection: dispute settlement

A service supplier requesting interconnection with a major supplier will have recourse, either:

- (a) at any time or
- (b) after a reasonable period of time which has been made publicly known

to an independent domestic body, which may be a regulatory body as referred to in paragraph 5 below, to resolve disputes regarding appropriate terms, conditions and rates for interconnection within a reasonable period of time, to the extent that these have not been established previously.

3. Universal service

Any Member has the right to define the kind of universal service obligation it wishes to maintain. Such obligations will not be regarded as anti-competitive *per se*, provided they are administered in a transparent, non-discriminatory and competitively neutral manner and are not more burdensome than necessary for the kind of universal service defined by the Member.

4. Public availability of licensing criteria

Where a licence is required, the following will be made publicly available:

- (a) all the licensing criteria and the period of time normally required to reach a decision concerning an application for a licence and
- (b) the terms and conditions of individual licences.

The reasons for the denial of a licence will be made known to the applicant upon request.

5. Independent regulators

The regulatory body is separate from, and not accountable to, any supplier of basic telecommunications services. The decisions of and the procedures used by regulators shall be impartial with respect to all market participants.

6. Allocation and use of scarce resources

Any procedures for the allocation and use of scarce resources, including frequencies, numbers and rights of way, will be carried out in an objective, timely, transparent and non-discriminatory manner. The current state of allocated frequency bands will be made publicly available, but detailed identification of frequencies allocated for specific government uses is not required.

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Note by the Chairman

Revision

It has been suggested by a number of delegations that it might be helpful to produce a brief and simple note on assumptions applicable to the scheduling of commitments in basic telecoms. The purpose of the attached note is to assist delegations in ensuring the transparency of their commitments and to promote a better understanding of the meaning of commitments. This note is not intended to have or acquire any binding legal status.

NOTES FOR SCHEDULING BASIC TELECOM SERVICES COMMITMENTS

1. Unless otherwise noted in the sector column, any basic telecom service listed in the sector column:
 - (a) encompasses local, long distance and international services for public and non-public use;
 - (b) may be provided on a facilities-basis or by resale; and
 - (c) may be provided through any means of technology (e.g., cable¹, wireless, satellites).
2. Subsector (g) --private leased circuit services -- involves the ability of service suppliers to sell or lease any type of network capacity for the supply of services listed in any other basic telecom service subsector unless otherwise noted in the sector column. This would include capacity via cable, satellite and wireless network.
3. In view of points 1 and 2 above, it should not be necessary to list cellular or mobile services as a separate subsector. However, a number of Members have done so, and a number of offers have commitments only in these subsectors. Therefore, in order to avoid extensive changes in schedules, it would seem appropriate for Members to maintain separate entries for these subsectors.

¹ Including all types of cable.

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CHAIRMAN'S NOTE

Market Access Limitations on Spectrum Availability

Many Members have entries in the market access column of their schedules indicating that commitments are "subject to availability of spectrum/frequency" or similar wording. In light of the physical nature of spectrum and the constraints inherent in its use, it is understandable that Members may have sought to rely on these words to adequately protect legitimate spectrum management policies. There is, however, doubt that words such as "subject to availability of spectrum/frequency" as listed in the market access column of many Members' schedules achieve that objective.

Spectrum/frequency management is not, *per se*, a measure which needs to be listed under Article XVI. Furthermore under the GATS each Member has the right to exercise spectrum/frequency management, which may affect the number of service suppliers, provided that this is done in accordance with Article VI and other relevant provisions of the GATS. This includes the ability to allocate frequency bands taking into account existing and future needs. Also, Members which have made additional commitment in line with the Reference Paper on regulatory principles are bound by its paragraph 6.

Therefore, words such as "subject to availability of spectrum/frequency" are unnecessary and should be deleted from Members' schedules.

ANNEX 2

DISTRIBUTION SERVICES

Distribution trade services are comprised of four main sub-sectors:

- 1) commission agents services,
- 2) wholesaling,
- 3) retailing,
- 4) franchising,

The principal services rendered in each subsector can be characterized as reselling merchandise, accompanied by a variety of related subordinated services, including inventory management; assembly, sorting and grading of bulk lots; breaking bulk lots and redistributing into smaller lots; delivery services; refrigeration, storage, warehousing and garage services; sales promotion, marketing and advertising, installation and after sales services including maintenance and repair and training services. Distribution services are generally covered by CPC 61, 62, 63 and 8929.

COMMISSION AGENTS' SERVICES consist of sales on a fee or contract basis by an agent, broker or auctioneer or other wholesalers of goods/merchandise and related subordinated services.

WHOLESALE consist of the sale of goods/merchandise to retailers to industrial, commercial, institutional, or other professional business users, or to other wholesalers and related subordinated services.

RETAILING SERVICES consist of the sale of goods/merchandise for personal or household consumption either from a fixed location (e.g., store, kiosk, etc.) or away from a fixed location and related subordinated services.

FRANCHISING SERVICES consist of the sale of the use of a product, trade name or particular business format system in exchange for fees or royalties. Product and trade name franchising involves the use of a trade name in exchange for fees or royalties and may include an obligation for exclusive sale of trade name products. Business format franchising involves the use of an entire business concept in exchange for fees and royalties, and may include the use of a trade name, business plan, and training materials and related subordinated services.

ANNEX 3

Insurance: Definition of "Master Policy"

Master policy is the policy that provides blanket coverage for the same legal person's property and liabilities located in different places. Master policy may only be issued by the business department of an insurer's head office or that of its authorized province-level branch offices. Other branches are not allowed to issue master policy.

(I) Master policy business with the state key construction projects as its subject-matter insured

If investors on the state key construction projects (i.e., projects that are so listed and annually announced by the State Development and Planning Commission) meet either of the following requirements, they may purchase master policy from insurers that are located in the same place as the investors' legal persons do.

1. The investment on the subject-matter insured is all from China (including the reinvestment from the foreign-invested enterprises in China), and the sum of investment of the investor accounts for over 15% of the total investment.

2. The investment is partially from abroad, and partially from China (including the reinvestment from the foreign-invested enterprises in China), and the sum of investment of the Chinese investor accounts for over 15% for the total domestic investment.

For those projects that draw investment all from abroad, every insurer may provide coverage in the form of master policies.

(II) Master policy covering different subjects-matter insured of the same legal person

For those subjects-matter insured located in different places and owned by the same legal person (excluding financial, railway, and post and telecommunications industries and enterprises), master policy may be issued on the basis of either of the following conditions.

1. For the sake of payment of premium tax, insurance companies incorporated where the legal person or accounting unit of the insurance applicant is located are allowed to issue master policy.

2. If over 50% of insurance amount of the subject-matter insured is from a larger or medium sized city, then insurers in that city are allowed to issue master policy, no matter whether the insurance applicant's legal person or accounting unit is located in the city.

Motor insurance, credit insurance, employer liabilities insurance, statutory insurance, and other insurance business excluded by the CIRC can not be underwritten or co-insured by insurers located other than where the subject-insured are located, or covered under a master policy.

LIST OF ARTICLE II EXEMPTION FOR CHINA

Modes of supply: (1) Cross-border supply (2) Consumption abroad (3) Commercial presence (4) Presence of natural persons

| Sector or Sub-sector | Description of Measures Indicating its Inconsistency with Article II | Countries to Which the Measures Applies | Intended Duration | Conditions Creating the Need for the Exemption |
|---|--|---|--|--|
| Maritime Transport International Transport Freight and Passengers | The parties concerned may, through bilateral agreement, establish entities to engage in usual business in China either as joint ventures or wholly-owned subsidiaries subject to the Chinese laws on joint ventures and on foreign capital enterprises for ships owned or operated by carriers of the parties concerned. | Unspecified. | Unforeseeable. | According to present state of trade between signatories. |
| | Agreements of cargo sharing. | Algeria, Argentina, Bangladesh, Brazil, Thailand, USA, Zaire. | Subject to the effective duration of the agreements concerned. | According to present state of trade between signatories. |