ANNEX I SCHEDULE OF BRUNEI DARUSSALAM

Introductory Note for the Schedule of Brunei Darussalam

- 1. In the interpretation of a reservation in the Schedule of Brunei Darussalam, all elements of the reservation shall be considered, where the **Description** sets out the non-conforming measure for which the entry is made.
- 2. In accordance with Articles 10.7(1) (Cross Border Trade in Services Non-Conforming Measures) and 9.11(1) (Investment Non-Conforming Measures), the articles of Agreement specified in the **Obligations Concerned** element of an entry do not apply to the non-conforming measures identified in the Description element of that entry.

1.

Sector: All Sectors

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Article 9.4)

Senior Management and Board of Directors (Article

9.10)

Measures: Companies Act (Chapter 39)

Business Names Act (Chapter 92)

Miscellaneous Licenses Act (Chapter 127) Co-operative Societies Act (Chapter 84) Employment Agencies Order 2004 Administrative Measures and Guidelines

Description: <u>Investment</u>

1. Sole Proprietors and Cooperative Societies

Foreign nationals may not establish sole proprietorships or cooperative societies.

2. Partnerships

Foreign nationals may not establish a partnership, except with the written approval of the Registrar of Business Names.

3. Company Directorship

A foreign national may not sit on the board of directors of an enterprise established in Brunei Darussalam unless one (1) of the two (2) directors or, where there are more than two (2) directors, at least two (2) of them shall be ordinarily resident in Brunei Darussalam. For the purposes of this reservation, a foreign national shall apply to the Ministry of Finance in order to be considered as being "ordinarily resident in Brunei Darussalam".

2.

Sector: Manufacturing and Services Incidental to

Manufacturing

Obligations Concerned: Performance Requirements (Article 9.9)

Measures: Brunei Darussalam Long-Term Development Plan

Administrative Measures and Guidelines

Description: <u>Investment</u>

Foreign investors may not utilise sites under the control of the Ministry of Primary Resources and Tourism and the Brunei Economic Development Board for all manufacturing and services incidental to manufacturing activities unless they comply with these requirements:

- 1. to purchase, use, or accord a preference to goods produced in Brunei Darussalam, to purchase goods from local suppliers; and/or
- 2. to transfer technology or proprietary knowledge to persons in Brunei Darussalam, as long as such requirement to transfer technology or proprietary knowledge does not unreasonably prejudice the legitimate interests of the owner of technology or proprietary knowledge and is not for the purposes of commercial exploitation by the Party.

3. Sector: Agriculture and Services Incidental to Agriculture

Obligations Concerned: Performance Requirements (Article 9.9)

Measures: Brunei Darussalam Long-Term Development Plan

Administrative Measures and Guidelines

Description: <u>Investment</u>

Foreign investors may not utilise sites under the control of the Department of Agriculture, Ministry of Primary Resources and Tourism, for all agriculture and services incidental to agriculture activities unless they comply with these requirements:

- 1. to purchase, use, or accord a preference to goods produced in Brunei Darussalam, or to purchase goods from local suppliers;
- 2. to achieve a given level or percentage of domestic content; and/or
- 3. to transfer technology or proprietary knowledge to persons in Brunei Darussalam, as long as such requirement to transfer technology or proprietary knowledge does not unreasonably prejudice the legitimate interests of the owner of technology or proprietary knowledge and is not for the purposes of commercial exploitation by the Party.

4.

Sector: Fisheries and Services Incidental to Fisheries

Obligations Concerned: Performance Requirements (Article 9.9)

Measures: Brunei Darussalam Long-Term Development Plan

Administrative Measures and Guidelines

Description: <u>Investment</u>

Foreign investors may not utilise sites under the control of the Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Primary Resources and Tourism, for all fisheries and services incidental to fisheries activities unless they comply with requirements to purchase, use, or accord a preference to goods produced in Brunei Darussalam, or to purchase goods from local suppliers, as long as any requirement to transfer technology or proprietary knowledge does not unreasonably prejudice the legitimate interests of the owner of technology or proprietary knowledge and is not for the purposes of

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Sector: Forestry and Services Incidental to Forestry

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Article 9.4)

Performance Requirements (Article 9.9)

Market Access (Article 10.5)

Measures: National Forestry Policy (1990)

Brunei Darussalam Long Term-Development Plan Administrative Measures and Guidelines (Strategic

Plan 2004 – 2023)

Description: Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment

- 1. Foreign nationals or enterprises may not establish an enterprise to undertake activities related to forestry or services incidental to forestry:
 - (a) except through a joint venture with a Bruneian national or enterprise, and not own more than 70 percent equity shareholding in such an enterprise; and
 - (b) unless they comply with any performance requirements imposed, as long as any requirement to transfer technology or proprietary knowledge does not unreasonably prejudice the legitimate interests of the owner of technology or proprietary knowledge and is not for the purposes of commercial exploitation by the Party.
- 2. For greater certainty, this reservation does not apply to logging activities.

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Sector: Construction Services

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Article 9.4)

Performance Requirements (Article 9.9)

Local Presence (Article 10.6)

Measures: Architects, Professional Engineers and Quantity

Surveyors Order 2011

Building Control Order 2011 (Final Draft) Building Control Regulations (Draft)

Procedures of Contractors and Suppliers Registration,

Ministry of Development (Edition 2009) Administrative Measures and Guidelines

Description:

Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment

- 1. Foreign nationals and enterprises are not allowed to provide construction services such as: general construction work for building services, general construction work for civil engineering, installation and assembly work services, building completion and finishing work services, except mining, and mechanical engineering services, unless:
 - (a) through an enterprise established in Brunei Darussalam;
 - (b) they first register for either Certificate A or Certificate B, as a contractor or supplier; and/or
 - (c) they comply with requirements to transfer technology or proprietary knowledge to persons in Brunei Darussalam as long as such requirement to transfer technology or proprietary knowledge does not unreasonably prejudice the legitimate interests of the owner of technology or proprietary knowledge and is not for the purposes of commercial exploitation by the Party.

2. In the case of Certificate A, a foreign national or enterprise may not own equity shareholding other than what is prescribed in the table below, in any enterprise that applies to be registered as a contractor or supplier:

<u>Table</u>

Class	Project Threshold	Level of
	v	Foreign
		Equity
		Allowed
I	Up to BND 50 000	None
II	Exceeding BND 50 000	None
	but not more than	
	BND 250 000	
III	Exceeding BND 250	twenty
	000 but not more than	percent
	BND 500 000	
IV	Exceeding BND 500	fifty
	000 but not more than	percent
	BND 1.5 million	
V	Exceeding BND 1.5	seventy
	million but not more	percent
	than BND 5 million	
VI	Exceeding BND 5	ninety
	million	percent
Building	No threshold	ninety
Specialist		percent
and		
Supplier		
Mechanical	No threshold	ninety
and		percent
Electrical		
Specialist		
and		
Supplier		

3. For greater certainty, Certificate A refers to certificates which are required for participating in government and private projects, whilst Certificate B refers to certificates which are required for participating in private projects only.

7.

Sector: Environmental Services

Obligations Concerned: National Treatment (Article 9.4)

Performance Requirements (Article 9.9)

Local Presence (Article 10.6)

Measures: Pollution Control Guidelines for Industrial

Development of Brunei Darussalam

Planning Guidelines for Earthworks Development

(Focus on Environmental Sensitive Area) 2009

Planning Guidelines and Standards for Industrial

Development 2010

Environmental Impact Assessment Order 2011 (Final

Draft)

Environmental Protection and Management Order

2012

Hazardous Waste (Control of Export, Import and

Transit) Order 2011 (Draft)

Hazardous Waste (Control of Export, Import and

Transit) Regulations (Draft)

Administrative Measures and Guidelines

Description: Cross-Border Trade in Services and Investment

- 1. Foreign nationals and enterprises are not allowed to provide consultancy services on environmental protection and management; waste management services; landscape design management and maintenance services and janitorial services, roadside and cleaning works services unless:
 - (a) they are established as an enterprise in Brunei Darussalam;
 - (b) they first register for either Certificate A or Certificate B, as a contractor or supplier; or
 - (c) they comply with requirements to transfer technology or proprietary knowledge to persons in Brunei Darussalam as long as such requirement to transfer technology or proprietary knowledge does not unreasonably prejudice the legitimate interests of the owner of the technology or proprietary knowledge

and is not for the purposes of commercial exploitation by the Party.

2. In the case of Certificate A, a foreign national or enterprise may not own equity shareholding other than what is prescribed in the table below, in any enterprise that applies to be registered as a contractor or supplier:

<u>Table</u>

Class	Project Threshold	Level of Foreign Equity Allowed
I	Up to BND 50 000	None
II	Exceeding BND 50 000	None
11	but not more than	None
	BND 250 000	
III	Exceeding	twenty
	BND 250 000 but not	percent
	more than	1
	BND 500 000	
IV	Exceeding	fifty
	BND 500 000 but not	percent
	more than	
	BND 1.5 million	
V	Exceeding	seventy
	BND 1.5 million but	percent
	not more than	
	BND 5 million	
VI	Exceeding	ninety
	BND 5 million	percent
Building	No threshold	ninety
Specialist		percent
and		_
Supplier		
Mechanical	No threshold	ninety
and		percent
Electrical		
Specialist		
and		
Supplier		

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