# ANNEX 10B SCHEDULE OF SINGAPORE

#### **SECTION A - HEADNOTES**

- 1. Commitments under the Chapter on Financial Services are undertaken subject to the limitations and conditions set forth in these headnotes and the schedule below.
- 2. To clarify Singapore's commitment with respect to Article 10.4(b) of the Agreement (Market Access for Financial Institutions), juridical persons supplying financial services are subject to non-discriminatory limitations on juridical form.<sup>1</sup>
- 3. (a) Solely in the context of future liberalization of its banking sub-sector and not for purposes of affording protection to local financial institutions within the banking sub-sector, Singapore may impose new non-conforming measures on a most-favored-nation treatment basis. Such measures may include, but are not limited to:
  - (i) requirements regarding the composition of boards of directors of banks and finance companies; and
  - (ii) limitations on the number of customer service locations of finance companies,

provided that any such non-conforming measure shall not derogate from commitments undertaken by Singapore in its Schedule to Annexes 10B and 10C to liberalize quantitative restrictions on the number of licenses or customer service locations for United States banks or establish time periods for allowing United States banks access to any ATM network in Singapore.

- (b) Where a United States financial institution chooses not to participate in a future liberalization described in subparagraph (a), Singapore shall not apply any related new non-conforming measure or take any adverse action with respect to the institution.
- (c) If Singapore imposes any new non-conforming measure described in paragraph (a), it will:
  - (i) notify the United States of its intent at least three months in advance of implementation of the measure;
  - (ii) consult with the United States concerning the measure and give due consideration to the views expressed by the United States in this respect; and

<sup>1</sup> For example, partnerships and sole proprietorships are generally not acceptable juridical forms for depository financial institutions in Singapore. This headnote is not itself intended to affect, or otherwise limit, a choice by a financial institution of the other Party between branches or subsidiaries.

- (iii) make compensatory adjustments to its Schedule to Annex 10B with respect to the same class of financial institutions of the banking subsector as are affected by the measure such that the general level of commitments is more favorable to trade in the banking sub-sector than prior to the new measure.<sup>2</sup>
- (d) In connection with the liberalization of the 20% aggregate foreign shareholding limit in finance companies effected on 11 December 2002, Singapore reserves the right to introduce a 12% approval threshold for acquisition of shareholdings or voting control in finance companies. Subparagraph (c) shall not apply to this measure.
- 4. (a) Singapore reserves the right to require a foreign bank that is systemically important to incorporate within Singapore, provided that such a requirement is applied in a reasonable, objective, and impartial manner. Before imposing such a requirement, Singapore will take into account such factors as the quality of home country regulation and supervision over the bank, degree of protection accorded to depositors in the home country vis-à-vis depositors in Singapore, and the amount of assets held or situated in Singapore.
- (b) Singapore shall not impose the requirement described in subparagraph (a) with respect to a foreign bank of the United States, unless it:
  - (i) notifies the bank and the United States of its intent at least six months before imposing the requirement;
  - (ii) consults with the United States concerning the requirement and gives due consideration to the views expressed by the United States in this respect; and
  - (iii) allows the bank a reasonable time to comply with the requirement.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> It is understood that compensatory adjustments shall not be regarded as inadequate solely because the general level of commitments after the introduction of the new measure is not significantly more favorable to trade in the banking sub-sector than prior to the introduction of the measure.

#### SCHEDULE OF SINGAPORE TO ANNEX 10B SECTION B

#### **BANKING**

Type of

Market Access for Financial Institutions and National Treatment

Reservation:

Level of National

Government:

Measures: Banking Act, Cap. 19

MAS Notice 619

Description: No new full bank licenses will be granted to foreign banks.

Qualifying Full Bank privileges are limited to 6 foreign banks. Quantitative limits on the number of licenses with Qualifying Full Bank privileges will be lifted for U.S. banks 18 months after the date of entry into force of this Agreement.

No foreign bank can have more than one customer service location, establish off-premise ATMs, establish ATM networking or provide debit services through an Electronic Funds Transfer at Point of Sale (EFTPOS) network except that U.S. banks with Qualifying Full Bank privileges (QFBs) are allowed to:

- (a) establish up to 30 customer service locations upon entry into force of this Agreement;
- (b) establish any number of customer service locations 2 years after the date of entry into force of this Agreement;
- (c) establish an ATM network among QFBs; and
- (d) provide debit services through an Electronic Funds Transfer at Point of Sale (EFTPOS) network.

No foreign financial institution can participate in any ATM network operated by local banks except that: (a) U.S. banks with Qualifying Full Bank privileges and which are incorporated in Singapore will not be subject to this restriction 2 years and 6 months after the date of entry into force of this Agreement and will thereafter be permitted to negotiate for access to local banks' ATM networks on commercial terms; and (b) U.S. banks with Qualifying Full Bank privileges and which are not incorporated in Singapore will not be subject to this restriction 4 years after the date of entry into force of this Agreement and will thereafter be permitted to negotiate for access to local banks' ATM networks on commercial terms.

Type of	National Treatment
Reservation:	
Level of	National
Government:	
Measures:	Banking Act, Cap. 19
	Central Provident Fund Act, Cap. 36
Description:	Only foreign banks with Qualifying Full Bank privileges may apply to provide Supplementary Retirement Scheme accounts and Central Provident Fund Investment Scheme accounts.
	Only foreign banks with Qualifying Full Bank privileges will be permitted to apply to accept fixed deposits under the Central Provident Fund Investment Scheme and Minimum Sum Scheme.

Type of Reservation:	Market Access for Financial Institutions and National Treatment
Level of Government:	National
Measures:	Banking Act, Cap. 19 MAS Notice 619
Description:	Only a maximum of 20 new Wholesale Bank licenses will be granted by the Monetary Authority of Singapore between 30 June 2001 and 30 June 2003. Quantitative limits on the number of Wholesale Bank licenses will be removed for U.S. banks 3 years after the date of entry into force of this Agreement.  Wholesale Banks are not permitted to: (a) accept Singapore dollar fixed deposits of less than S\$250,000; (b) offer savings accounts; (c) operate interest-bearing Singapore dollar current accounts for natural persons who are Singapore residents; (d) issue Singapore dollar bonds and negotiable certificates of deposit, unless requirements pertaining to minimum maturity period, minimum denomination or class of investors contained in the Guidelines for Operation of Wholesale Banks issued by the Monetary Authority of Singapore are complied with.

Type of	Market Access for Financial Institutions and National Treatment
Reservation:	
Level of	National
Government:	
Measures:	Banking Act, Cap. 19
	MAS Notice 619
Description:	Offshore Banks are not permitted to:
_	(a) provide credit facilities to non-bank residents of Singapore in Singapore
	dollars exceeding a total of S\$500 million at any one time;
	(b) offer savings accounts;
	(c) accept any fixed or other interest-bearing deposits in Singapore dollars
	from non-bank residents of Singapore;
	(d) operate current accounts for non-bank residents unless the accounts are
	offered:
	i) in connection with credit facilities granted to, or other business
	dealings with the customer; or
	ii) to customers of the bank's head office.
	(e) operate interest-bearing Singapore dollar current accounts for natural
	persons who are Singapore residents;
	(f) accept Singapore dollar fixed deposits of less than S\$250,000 from non-
	bank non-residents;
	(g) issue Singapore dollar bonds and negotiable certificates of deposit,
	unless requirements pertaining to minimum maturity period, minimum
	denomination or class of investors contained in the Guidelines for Operation
	of Offshore Banks issued by the Monetary Authority of Singapore are
	complied with.

Type of	National Treatment
Reservation:	
Level of	National
Government:	
Measures:	Banking Act, Cap. 19
	Monetary Authority of Singapore Act, Cap. 186
Description:	No foreign person shall acting alone or in concert with other persons, assume control of any Singapore incorporated bank (other than a Singapore incorporated bank that is already controlled by a U.S. financial institution) or a company belonging to a class of financial institutions approved as financial holding companies under section 28 of the Monetary Authority of Singapore Act (referred to as "financial holding company").
	Approval from the Minister is required before a person (together with associated persons) is allowed to acquire indirect control over and shareholdings or voting control of or exceeding 5%, 12% and 20% in a Singapore incorporated bank or a financial holding company, and before a Singapore incorporated bank or a financial holding company is allowed to be merged or taken over by any other body.
	In approving applications to exceed the threshold limits, the Minister may impose conditions it considers necessary to prevent undue control, protect public interests, and ensure the integrity of the financial system.
	A foreign person is a person that is:  (a) in the case of a natural person, not a citizen of Singapore; and (b) in the case of a corporation, not controlled by citizens of Singapore.

Type of	Market Access for Financial Institutions
Reservation:	
Level of	National
Government:	
Measures:	Monetary Authority of Singapore Act, Cap 186 Directives to Merchant Banks
Description:	No Merchant Bank may have more than one customer service location.

Type of	Market Access for Financial Institutions
Reservation:	
Level of	National
Government:	
Measures:	Finance Companies Act, Cap. 108
Description:	No new finance company licenses will be granted.  A finance company must be established as a Singapore incorporated company.  Finance companies are not permitted to establish off-premise ATMs, ATM networking, participate in any local ATM network or allow their accounts to be debited through an Electronic Funds Transfer at Point of Sale (EFTPOS) network.

Type of Reservation:	National Treatment
Level of Government:	National
Measures:	Finance Companies Act, Cap. 108
Description:	No foreign person shall acting alone or in concert with other persons, assume control of any finance company.
	Approval from the Monetary Authority of Singapore is required before a person (together with associated persons) is allowed to acquire shareholdings or voting control in a finance company of or exceeding 5% and 20%, and before he obtains effective control of the finance company.
	In approving applications to exceed the threshold limits, the Monetary Authority of Singapore may impose conditions it considers necessary to prevent undue control, protect public interests, and ensure the integrity of the financial system.
	A foreign person is a person that is:  (a) in the case of a natural person, not a citizen of Singapore; and (b) in the case of a corporation, not controlled by citizens of Singapore.

Type of	National Treatment
Reservation:	
Level of	National
Government:	
Measures:	Money-Changing and Remittance Businesses Act, Cap. 187
Description:	Remittance shops and money-changing businesses, except where the remittance or money-changing business is conducted by banks, merchant banks and finance companies, must be more than 50% owned by Singapore citizens.

Type of Reservation:	Market Access for Financial Institutions and National Treatment
Level of	National
Government:	National
Measures:	Banking Act, Cap. 19
Description:	Only the clearing house established under the Banking Act may provide clearing services for cheques and other credit instruments which are drawn on a bank in Singapore, whether payable in Singapore dollars or other currency, and services for interbank GIRO transfers.

Type of	Most-Favored-Nation Treatment
Reservation:	
Level of	National
Government:	
Measures:	Currency Interchangeability Agreement between Singapore and Brunei 1967
Description:	The currency issuing authorities of Singapore and Brunei agreed, under the Currency Interchangeability Agreement between Singapore and Brunei 1967, to:  (a) accept from banks, notes and coins issued by the other issuing authority, at par and without charge and to exchange such notes and coins into the currency of the country concerned; and  (b) arrange for repatriation at the expense of the respective currency issuing authority, the notes and coins issued by the other currency issuing authority and to receive at par the equivalent in any agreed currency.

## **SECURITIES**

Type of	Market Access for Financial Institutions
Reservation:	
Level of	National
Government:	
Measures:	Securities and Futures Act, Cap. 289, Part II
Description:	Singapore reserves the right to limit the establishment or operation of securities and futures markets (as exchanges, exempt exchanges or recognized trading system providers). In authorizing such markets or in imposing conditions on the operations of such markets, Singapore may take into account factors including (but not limited to) market structure, fragmentation of liquidity, range of products offered and the type of investors targeted.

Type of	Market Access for Financial Institutions
Reservation:	
Level of	National
Government:	
Measures:	Banking Act, Cap. 19
Description:	Banks and merchant banks are required to establish separate subsidiaries incorporated in Singapore to trade financial futures for customers.

Type of	Market Access for Financial Institutions
Reservation:	
Level of	National
Government:	
Measures:	Banking Act, Cap. 19
Description:	Banks' and merchant banks' membership on any securities exchange or futures exchange established in Singapore must be held through subsidiaries incorporated in Singapore.

Type of	Market Access for Financial Institutions and National Treatment
Reservation:	
Level of	National
Government:	
Measures:	Companies Act (Chapter 50) Part IV Division 7A
Description:	Only the Central Depository (Pte) Ltd is authorized to provide securities
	custodial services for book-entry securities.

Type of	National Treatment							
Reservation:								
Level of	National							
Government:								
Measures:	Admission Criteria, Guidelines and Application Forms for Fund							
	Management and Insurance Companies included under CPFIS							
Description:	In considering the admission of Fund Management Companies (FMCs) under the Central Provident Fund Investment Scheme (CPFIS), the Central Provident Fund Board takes into consideration the following factors:							
	<ul> <li>a) whether the FMC has a minimum one-year track record as a capital markets services license holder under the Securities and Futures Act, Cap. 289 (or its equivalent under the Securities Industry Act, Act 15 of 1986) in the fund management industry in Singapore while the group as a whole has a minimum of 3 years track record in fund management;</li> <li>b) whether the FMC manages at least S\$500 million worth of funds in Singapore; and</li> </ul>							
	c) whether the FMC has a minimum of 3 fund managers, one of whom must have at least 5 years of fund management experience. For the purpose of this reservation, the definition of "fund manager" shall include portfolio managers, research analysts and traders.							

## **INSURANCE**

Type of	Market Access for Financial Institutions
Reservation:	
Level of	National
Government:	
Measures:	Insurance Act, Cap 142
Description:	Insurance brokers must be established as a Singapore incorporated company.

Type of	Market Access for Financial Institutions
Reservation:	
Level of	National
Government:	
Measures:	Insurance Act, Cap. 142
Description:	A captive insurer must be established as a Singapore incorporated company.
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Type of	National Treatment
Reservation:	
Level of	National
Government:	
Measures:	Admission Criteria, Guidelines and Application Forms for Fund Management and Insurance Companies included under CPFIS
Description:	In considering the admission of Insurers under the Central Provident Fund Investment Scheme (CPFIS), the Central Provident Fund Board takes into consideration the following factors:
	a) whether the insurer has a minimum one-year track record as a licensed insurer in Singapore;
	b) whether the insurer employs a minimum of three fund management staff, one of whom must have at least five years of fund management experience. The other two may only have two years of fund management experience if he or she:
	<ul><li>i) is a fully qualified Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA), or</li><li>ii) is an Associate of the Society of Actuaries, or</li></ul>
	iii) holds a Certificate in Finance and Investments from the Institute of Actuaries, or
	iv) holds an equivalent qualification from any of the professional actuarial bodies recognised in Singapore; and
	c) whether the insurer manages at least S\$500 million worth of funds in Singapore.
	For the purpose of this reservation, the definition of "fund management staff" shall include portfolio managers, research analysts and traders.

Type of	Cross-Border Trade
Reservation:	
Level of	National
Government:	
Measures:	Motor Vehicles (Third Party Risks and Compensation) Act, Cap. 189 Workmen's Compensation Act, Cap. 354
Description:	Compulsory insurance of Motor Third Party Liability and Workmen's Compensation can only be purchased directly or through an intermediary from licensed insurance companies in Singapore.

Type of	Cross-Border Trade
Reservation:	
Level of Government:	National
Measures:	Insurance Act, Cap. 142, Financial Advisers Act, Cap. 110
Description:	The placement of domestic risks outside Singapore by brokers is subject to approval by the Monetary Authority of Singapore, with the exception of reinsurance risks and insurance risks relating to maritime liabilities of ship owners insured by protection and indemnity clubs.

## ALL SECTORS

Type of	Market Access for Financial Institutions and National Treatment
Reservation:	
Level of	National
Government:	
Measures:	Companies Act, Cap. 50, Part IV Division 7A
	Securities and Futures Act, Cap. 289, Part III
	Banking Act, Cap. 19, Section 59
Description:	Clearing and settlement services for exchange-traded securities and financial futures and inter-bank transfers can only be provided by Central Depository (Pte) Limited, Singapore Exchange Derivatives Clearing Ltd, and Banking Computer Services Pte Ltd respectively.

Type of Reservation:	Cross-Border Trade
Level of Government: Measures:	Insurance Act, Cap. 142 MAS Notice 109, Banking Act, Cap.19 MAS Notice 757, Finance Companies Act, Cap. 108, MAS Notice 816, Monetary Authority of Singapore Act, Cap. 186, MAS Notice 1105, Securities Industry Act, Act 15 of 1986, MAS Notice 1201 / Securities and Futures Act, Cap. 289, Financial Advisers Act, Cap. 110, MAS Notice 1201
Description:	1. Financial institutions extending Singapore dollar (S\$) credit facilities exceeding S\$5 million per entity to non-resident financial entities or arranging S\$ equity or bond issues for non-residents, must ensure that where the S\$ proceeds are to be used outside Singapore, they are swapped or converted into foreign currency upon draw-down or before remittance abroad.
	2. Financial institutions should not extend S\$ credit facilities to non-resident financial entities if there is reason to believe that the S\$ proceeds may be used for S\$ currency speculation.
	The term "non-resident" is as defined in MAS Notice 757 issued under the Banking Act.

#### ANNEX 10B

# PART I: UNITED STATES SCHEDULE OF NON-CONFORMING MEASURES WITH RESPECT TO BANKING AND OTHER FINANCIAL SERVICES (EXCLUDING INSURANCE)

#### A. Headnotes

- 1. Commitments in these subsectors under the Agreement are undertaken subject to the limitations and conditions set forth in these headnotes and in Section B below.
- 2. National treatment commitments in these subsectors are subject to the following limitations: National treatment will be provided based upon the foreign bank's "home state" in the United States, as that term is defined under the International Banking Act, where that Act is applicable. A domestic bank subsidiary of a foreign firm will have its own "home state," and national treatment will be provided based upon the subsidiary's home state, as determined under applicable law.<sup>1</sup>
- 3. To clarify the U.S. commitment with respect to Article 10.4 of the Agreement (Market Access), juridical persons supplying banking or other financial services (excluding insurance) and constituted under the laws of the United States are subject to non-discriminatory limitations on juridical form.<sup>2</sup>
- 4. The United States undertakes no commitment with respect to any existing non-conforming measures maintained at a regional level.
- 5. The United States limits its commitment under Article 10.9.1(c) (Non-Conforming Measures) with respect to Article 10.4 (Market Access) in the following manner: Article 10.9.1(c) shall apply only to non-conforming measures relating to 10.4(a) and not to those non-conforming measures relating to Article 10.4(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Foreign banking organizations are generally subject to geographic and other limitations in the United States on a national treatment basis. Where such limitations do not conform to national treatment, they have been reserved as market access restrictions. For purposes of illustration, under this approach, the following situation does not accord national treatment and would therefore be scheduled as a limitation: a foreign bank from a particular home state is accorded less favorable treatment than that accorded to a domestic bank from that state with respect to expansion by branching.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For example, partnerships and sole proprietorships are generally not acceptable juridical forms for depository financial institutions in the United States. This headnote is not itself intended to affect, or otherwise limit, a choice by a financial institution of the other Party between branches or subsidiaries.

## **B.** List of Non-Conforming Measures

# **Obligations Concerned**

Description of Non-Conforming Measures	National Treatment (Article 10.2)	Most Favored Nation Treatment (Article 10.3)	Market Access (Article 10.4)	Senior Management & Board of Directors (Article 10.8)
All directors of a national bank must be U.S. citizens, except that the Comptroller of the Currency may waive the citizenship requirement for not more than a minority of the total number of directors. <b>Measure: 12 U.S.C. 72</b>			X	X
Foreign ownership of Edge corporations is limited to foreign banks and U.S. subsidiaries of foreign banks, while domestic non-bank firms may own such corporations. <b>Measure: 12 U.S.C. 619</b>	X		X	
Federal and state law do not permit a credit union, savings bank, or savings association (both of the latter two entities may be also called thrift institutions) in the United States to be provided through branches of corporations organized under a foreign country's law. <b>Measures: 12 U.S.C. 1463 et seq. &amp; 12 U.S.C. 1751 et seq.</b>	X		X	
In order to accept or maintain domestic retail deposits of less than \$100,000, a foreign bank must establish an insured banking subsidiary. This requirement does not apply to a foreign bank branch that was engaged in insured deposit-taking activities on December 19, 1991. <b>Measure: 12 U.S.C.</b> 3104(d)			X	
Foreign banks are required to register as investment advisers under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 to engage in securities advisory and investment management services in the United States, while domestic banks (or a separately identifiable department or division of the bank) are exempt from registration unless they advise registered investment companies. The registration requirement involves record maintenance, inspections, submission of reports and payment of a fee. <b>Measure: 15 U.S.C. 80b-2, 80b-3</b>	X		X	

Description of Non-Conforming Measures	National Treatment (Article 10.2)	Most Favored Nation Treatment (Article 10.3)	Market Access (Article 10.4)	Senior Management & Board of Directors (Article 10.8)
Foreign banks cannot be members of the Federal Reserve System, and thus may not vote for directors of a Federal Reserve Bank. Foreign-owned bank subsidiaries are not subject to this measure. <b>Measure: 12 U.S.C. 221, 302, 321</b>	X			
The United States undertakes no commitment with respect to paragraph (b) of Article IV of the Agreement in relation to the expansion, via the establishment of a branch or the acquisition of one or more branches of a bank without acquisition of the entire bank, by a foreign bank into another state from its "home state," as that term is defined under applicable law. Except as specifically set forth elsewhere in this schedule, such expansion shall be provided on a national treatment basis in accordance with headnote 2.  Measure: 12 U.S.C. 36(g); 12 U.S.C. 1828(d)(4); 12 U.S.C. 1831u(a)(4)				
			X	
Interstate expansion by a foreign bank through the establishment of branches by merger with a bank located outside the "home state," as that term is defined under applicable law, of a foreign bank shall be provided on a national treatment basis in accordance with headnote 2, except as specifically set forth elsewhere in this schedule. <b>Measure: 12 U.S.C. 1831u</b>			X	
<ul> <li>Establishment of a federal branch or agency by a foreign bank is not available in the following states that may prohibit establishment of a branch or agency by a foreign bank:</li> <li>Branches and agencies may be prohibited in Alabama, Kansas, North Dakota, and Wyoming.</li> <li>Branches, but not agencies, may be prohibited in Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma, and West Virginia.</li> <li>Measures: 12 U.S.C. 3102(a)(1); 12 U.S.C. 3103(a)</li> <li>Certain restrictions on fiduciary powers apply to federal agencies.</li> </ul>				
Measure: 12 U.S.C. 3102(d)	X		X	
The authority to act as a sole trustee of an indenture for a bond offering in the United States is subject to a reciprocity test. <b>Measure: 15 U.S.C. 77jjj(a)(1)</b>		X	X	
Designation as a primary dealer in U.S. government debt securities is conditioned on reciprocity.				

Description of Non-Conforming Measures	National Treatment (Article 10.2)	Most Favored Nation Treatment (Article 10.3)	Market Access (Article 10.4)	Senior Management & Board of Directors (Article 10.8)
Measure: 22 U.S.C. 5341-5342		X	X	
A broker-dealer registered under U.S. law that has its principal place of business in Canada may maintain its required reserves in a bank in Canada subject to the supervision of Canada. <b>Measure:</b> 15 U.S.C. 780(c)		X		
<ul> <li>The United States may grant advantages, including but not limited to the following, to one or more of the Government-Sponsored Enterprises (GSEs) listed below:</li> <li>Capital, reserves and income of the GSE are exempt from certain taxation.</li> <li>Securities issued by the GSE are exempt from registration and periodic reporting requirements under federal securities laws.</li> <li>The U.S. Treasury may, in its discretion, purchase obligations issued by the GSE.</li> <li>Measures: 12 U.S.C. 1421 et seq. (Federal Home Loan Banks); 12 U.S.C. 1451 et seq. (Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation; 12 U.S.C. 1717 et seq. (Federal National Mortgage Association); 12 U.S.C. 2011 et seq. (Farm Credit Banks); 12 U.S.C. 2279aa-1 et seq. (Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation); 20 U.S.C. 1087-2 et seq. (Student Loan Marketing Association)</li> </ul>	X			

## PART II: UNITED STATES SCHEDULE OF NON-CONFORMING MEASURES WITH RESPECT TO INSURANCE

#### Headnotes

- 1. Commitments in this sector under this Agreement are undertaken subject to the limitations and conditions set forth in these headnotes and the schedule below.
- 2. National treatment commitments in the insurance sector are subject to the following limitation: national treatment with respect to insurance financial institutions will be provided according to a non-U.S. insurance financial institution's state of domicile, where applicable, in the United States. State of domicile is defined by individual states, and is generally the state in which an insurer either is incorporated, is organized or maintains its principal office in the United States.
- 3. Market access commitments in the insurance sector are subject to the following limitation: Article 10.9.1(c) shall not apply to non-conforming measures relating to Article 10.4.

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment

**Cross-Border Trade** 

**Level of Government:** Central

Measures: 31 U.S.C. § 9304

Description: Branches of foreign insurance companies are not permitted to

provide surety bonds for U.S. Government contracts.

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment

**Cross-Border Trade** 

**Level of Government:** Central

Measures: 46 C.F.R. § 249.9

Description: When more than 50 per cent of the value of a maritime vessel

whose hull was built under federally guaranteed mortgage funds is insured by a non-US insurer, the insured must

demonstrate that the risk was substantially first offered in the

US market.

**Obligations Concerned:** Market Access

**Level of Government:** All

**Measures:** 

Description: The United States reserves the right to adopt or maintain any

measure that is not inconsistent with the United States' obligations under Article XVI of the General Agreement on Trade in Services. If the United States deems it necessary to

invoke this right, it will endeavor to notify and consult

Singapore, to the extent possible, within a reasonable period of time in advance of implementation of the non-conforming measure, and give due consideration to the views expressed by Singapore in this respect. The United States affirms that it will provide Singapore with the opportunity to raise for review with the United States any aspects of the non-conforming measure

that may be of interest to Singapore.

**Obligations Concerned:** National Treatment

**Most-Favored-Nation Treatment** 

**Cross-Border Trade** 

**Senior Management and Boards of Directors** 

**Level of Government:** Regional

Measures: All existing non-conforming measures of all states of the

United States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico

**Description:**