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Communication from Israel

The following communication, dated 16 March 1989, has been received from the permanent mission of Israel.

"In light of Israel's obligations under Article IX:5(a) of the Agreement on Government Procurement, I wish to inform you that as of 15 August 1988 the following entities which are presently covered by the Agreement, Israel Ports Authority and Israel Railways, were merged into one integral entity: Ports and Railways Authority. The new entity will continue to be covered by the Agreement.

This change was published in the Official Gazette, dated 27 July 1988, as Amendment No. 5 to the law of the Ports Authority.

It is requested that this information be circulated to signatories to the Agreement and that the necessary amendments in Annex I of the Agreement be made in accordance with the normal procedures."

In accordance with sub-paragraph (a) of Article IX:5 of the Agreement, this entry in Annex II shall become effective provided there is no objection within thirty days.