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The following communication from the delegation of Japan, dated 22 March 1993, has been received by the secretariat with the request that it be circulated to the members of the Committee on Government Procurement.

With respect to the lists of entities in Annex 1 referred to in Article I:1(c) of the Agreement on Government Procurement, the Government of Japan notifies the Committee on Government Procurement, without prejudice to the position of the Government on the issue of privatisation in the ongoing Article IX:6(b) negotiations, as follows:

1.1 As of 1 July 1992, NTT Mobile Communications Network Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "NTT Mobile") was established as a private company in accordance with the Japanese Commercial Law and took over the mobile communications business of Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corporation (hereinafter referred to as "NTT"), one of the Japanese entities listed in Annex I to the Agreement on Government Procurement.

1.2 As of 1 December 1992, NTT Power and Building Facilities Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "NTT Facilities") was established as a private company in accordance with the Japanese Commercial Law and took over the power operations and building facilities management of NTT.

2.1 Total value of contracts above the threshold value, as provided for in Article I:1(b), awarded by the mobile communications sector of NTT in 1991 was 7,149 thousands of SDRs, which accounted for about 0.2 per cent of total value of contracts above the said threshold value awarded by all the Japanese entities listed in Annex I to the Agreement and about 1.6 per cent of that by NTT.

2.2 Total value of contracts above the threshold value, as provided for in Article I:1(b), awarded by the power operations and building facilities management sector of NTT in 1991 was 1,149 thousands of SDRs, which accounted for about 0.04 per cent of total value of contracts above the said threshold value awarded by all the Japanese entities and about 0.3 per cent of that by NTT.

3. The Government of Japan, while having no legal supervisory authority over the procurement activities of NTT Mobile and NTT Facilities, private companies established under the Commercial Law, has learned that NTT Mobile and NTT Facilities voluntarily continue to make procurements in a transparent and non-discriminatory manner.