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ACUERDO GENERAL SOBRE ARANCELES ADUANEROS Y COMERCIO

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# AGREEMENT ON GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT

# Addendum

Attached is a copy of <u>Israel's</u> Annexes<sup>1</sup> to Appendix I of the Agreement on Government Procurement.

# ACCORD RELATIF AUX MARCHES PUBLICS

# <u>Addendum</u>

On trouvera ci-joint copie des annexes d'<u>Israël</u><sup>1</sup> figurant à l'Appendice I de l'Accord relatif aux marchés publics.

# ACUERDO SOBRE COMPRAS DEL SECTOR PÚBLICO

Addendum

Adjuntos figuran los anexos<sup>1</sup> del Apéndice I del Acuerdo sobre Compras del Sector Público correspondientes a <u>Israel</u>.

<sup>1</sup>English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente.

### ANNEX 1

### <u>Central Government Entities which Procure in Accordance</u> With the Provisions of this Agreement

### <u>ISRAEL</u>

Supplies	Threshold:	130,000 SDR
Services (specified in Annex 4)	Threshold:	130,000 SDR
Construction (specified in Annex 5)	Threshold:	8,500,000 SDR

### List of Entities:

House of Representatives (the Knesset) Prime Minister's Office Ministry of Agriculture Ministry of Communications and Culture Ministry of Construction and Housing Ministry of Economics and Planning Ministry of Education Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure excluding Fuel Authority Ministry of the Environment Ministry of Finance Civil Service Commissioner Ministry of Foreign Affairs Ministry of Health (1) Ministry of Immigrants Absorption Ministry of Industry and Trade Ministry of the Interior Ministry of Justice Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs Israel Productivity Institute Ministry of Religious Affairs Ministry of Science and Technology Ministry of Tourism Ministry of Transport The State Controller's office

Notes:

- (1) Ministry of Health Excepted Products
  - Insulin and infusion pumps
  - Audiometers
  - Medical dressings (bandages, adhesive tapes and gauze)
  - Intravenous solution
  - Administration sets for transfusions
  - Scalp vein sets
  - Hemi-dialysis and blood lines
  - Blood packs
  - Syringe needles

# ANNEX 2

# Sub-Central Government Entities which Procure in Accordance With the Provisions of this Agreement

# <u>ISRAEL</u>

Supplies	Threshold:	250,000 SDR
Services (specified in Annex 4)	Threshold:	250,000 SDR
Construction (specified in Annex 5)	Threshold:	8,500,000 SDR

List of Entities:

Municipalities of Jerusalem, Tel-Aviv and Haifa

The company for economy and management of the Center of Local Government

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### ANNEX 3

### All Other Entities which Procure in Accordance With the Provisions of this Agreement

#### <u>ISRAEL</u>

Supplies	Threshold:	355,000 SDR
Services (specified in Annex 4)	Threshold:	355,000 SDR
Construction (specified in Annex 5)	Threshold:	8,500,000 SDR

#### List of Entities:

Israel Airports Authority Israel Ports and Railways Authority (1) Israel Broadcasting Authority (2) Israel Educational Television Postal Authority (2) Bezek (Israel Communication Company) (1) (2) Israel Electricity Company (3) Mekoroth Water Resources Ltd. Sports' Gambling Arrangement Board Israel Standards Institute National Insurance Institute

#### Notes:

- (1) Procurement of cables is excluded.
- (2) With regard to procurement by Israel Broadcasting Authority, Postal Authority and Bezek, this Agreement shall apply only to goods and services of the US.

Israel is willing to negotiate the opening of its telecommunication sector also to other Code members under the condition of reciprocity.

(3) Excluded products: cables (H.S. 8544), electro-mechanic meters (ex. H.S. 9028), transformers (H.S. 8504), disconnectors and switchers (H.S. 8535-8537), electric motors (H.S. 8501).

### ANNEX 4

# **Services**

# **ISRAEL**

Of the Universal List of Services, as contained in document MTN.GNS/W/120, the following services are included:

<u>CPC</u>	Description
8672-3	Architectural services
8671	Engineering services
8674	Urban planning
841-3	Computer and related services
871	Advertising services
864	Market research and public opinion
865-6	Management consulting
9401-5	Environmental services

# Note:

The offer regarding services (including construction) is subject to the limitation and conditions specified in Israel's offer under the GATS negotiation.

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### ANNEX 5

### Construction Services

### <u>ISRAEL</u>

### Definition:

A construction services contract is a contract which has as its objective the realization by whatever means of civil or building works, in the sense of Division 51 of the Central Product Classification.

Threshold: 8,500,000 SDR

# List of construction services offered

<u>CPC</u>	Description
511	Pre-erection work at construction sites
512	Construction work for buildings
513	Construction work for civil engineering
514	Assembly and erection of prefabricated construction
515	Special trade construction work
516	Installation work
517	Building completion and finishing work
518	Renting services related to equipment for construction

### **GENERAL NOTES**

- (1) The Agreement shall not apply to contracts awarded for purposes of re-sale or hire to third parties, provided that the contracting entity enjoys no special or exclusive right to sell or hire the subject of such contracts and other entities are free to sell or hire it under the same conditions as the contracting entity.
- (2) The Agreement shall not apply to contracts for the purchase of water and for the supply of energy and of fuels for the production of energy.
- (3) The Agreement shall not apply to the acquisition or rental of land, buildings or other immovable property, or concerning rights thereon.

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#### <u>NOTE</u>

#### <u>Offset</u>

1. Having regard to Article XVI and to general policy considerations regarding development, Israel may operate provisions which require the limited incorporation of domestic content, offset procurement or transfer of technology, in the form of objective and clearly defined conditions for participation in procedures for the award of contracts, which do not discriminate between other Parties.

This shall be done under the following terms:

- (a) Israel shall ensure that its entities indicate the existence of such conditions in their tender notices and specify them clearly in the contract documents.
- (b) Suppliers will not be required to purchase goods that are not offered on competitive terms, including price and quality, or to take any action which is not justified from a commercial standpoint.
- (c) Offsets in any form may be required up to 35 per cent of the contract going down to 30 per cent after five years and 20 per cent after nine years, beginning from the date Israel implements the Agreement.
- 2. (a) At the end of each period of five and four years Israel will submit a report concerning the implementation of this Annex.
  - (b) When the level of the offset has reached 20 per cent, Israel will consult with the Parties to this Agreement on the level of the use of offset by Israel. The review shall take into consideration *inter alia* general and economic developments in Israel, its trade balance, the actual performance within the framework of this Agreement and the views of the other Parties.