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Preliminary Conditional Offer by Poland Concerning
Initial Commitments on Trade in Services

The following communication is circulated at the request of the delegation of Poland.

1. Poland considers a comprehensive regime for progressive liberalization of trade in services as an essential part of a positive outcome of the Uruguay Round negotiations.
2. In the opinion of Poland such a regime should consist of a legal treaty based on the m.f.n. principle; strict and transparent rules of liberalization of governmental measures affecting trade in services as well as specific commitments of the parties to liberalize and to bind measures in individual sectors and sub-sectors of trade in services.
3. Poland believes that the process of submitting commitments plays an important role in arriving at the balanced agreement on trade in services. In this spirit, Poland submits her preliminary conditional offer concerning initial commitments.
4. Poland is prepared to bind her existing regimes of market access and national treatment in all service sectors to be covered by the General Agreement on Trade in Services with respect to measures affecting cross-border supply of specified services, movement of consumers, commercial presence by foreign providers of services. Poland reserves the right to submit a detailed offer in due time.
5. The above-mentioned offer is conditional upon satisfactory outcome of the negotiations on service trade, i.e. upon successful conclusion of the balanced framework agreement, the sectoral annexes, and the meaningful exchange of commitments among the parties of the Agreement. Upon assessment of this outcome, Poland reserves the right to modify, reduce or withdraw this offer as a whole or commitments related to the sectors or sub-sectors of the services trade. Furthermore, Poland reserves the right to make technical amendments to her offer.

6. Poland expects all parties to the future Agreement to exchange commitments which will reflect their respective levels of development of services sectors.

7. Poland is ready to discuss and to enter negotiations with other parties on additional market access and national treatment concessions in service sectors of mutual interest.